

Wisdom's Part in Creation

***Key Verse: "Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not."
—Proverbs 8:33***

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subject of creation as taught in Genesis, we should immediately see the evidence of an intelligent Creator. (Gen. 1:1-31) One needs only to look into the night sky with a telescope, or even with his eye alone, and see the immensity of creation. When

we note its order, beauty, harmony, symmetry, and diversity, there can be no doubt that the Creator of these is greatly superior both in wisdom and power. "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork." (Ps. 19:1) Every plant and flower speaks volumes of testimony on this subject. Life on the plant, animal, and human levels reveals the intricate construction and exquisite beauty in form and texture, and each speaks of a wisdom and skill above anything that can be explained by mere chance. This one, whose wisdom planned it and whose power so greatly transcends our own, we should instinctively seek to worship and adore. "The fear [reverence] of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."—Prov. 9:10

The existence of an intelligent Creator is a clearly demonstrated truth, the proof of which lies all around us, and within us. We do know that God was pleased with his creation as is evidenced by the words, "God saw

every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good.” (Gen. 1:31) Adam was created physically, mentally and morally perfect. “God created man in his own image.” (vs. 27) Man is his workmanship, and every power of mind and body reflects a marvelous skill beyond our comprehension.

God is the designer and creator of what we term as nature. He ordered and established the laws of nature, the beauty and harmony of whose operation mankind cannot replicate or create. “O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!” (Rom. 11:33) The Apostle Paul’s conclusion is that such depths of wisdom and knowledge and grace prove that the plan of God is superhuman. We should also be reminded that the Heavenly Father possesses the attributes of justice, mercy, and love, in addition to his power and wisdom. We, however, are told in Proverbs 4:7, “wisdom is the principle thing.” Another important saying is recorded for us in the words, “Wisdom is better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.”—chap. 8:11

A further acknowledgement of the wisdom of God is provided for us in the scripture, “The wisdom that is from above is first pure.” (James 3:17) That wisdom is more than just a belief in an attribute of God, or in the will of God. It is a full acceptance and belief “that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.” (Luke 4:4) It involves an acceptance of his will in every matter of life.

What could be more reasonable than that, in creating man, God endowed him with reason and judgment, and the capability of appreciating his Creator’s works, and his wisdom, justice, love, and power? He is wise, just, loving, and powerful; and the scope of his attributes is grand. Truly, “Blessed is the man that heareth me.”—Prov. 8:34 ■