

The Lord Will Come ... Perhaps Today ... Behold, I Come Quickly ... Rev. 22:7

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The All Seeing God

Introduction

This morning when at a store a young man kept saying, "O God" and "O My God", so I asked if he was blaspheming or praying? For a minute he did not know what to say and then, with an embarrassed laugh, muttered something and said "God" again, looking at his fellow-worker who was also laughing. They had no idea of the God whose name they were treating as a nothing was watching and listening to their every word. They failed to understand that they were only a single breath away from facing God (Acts 17:28).

In my lifetime I have crossed the Atlantic and Pacific oceans many times but I have yet to see either of them in totality. That needs to be understood for I have seen them but in reality all I have seen is a little square area of them, but never in their completeness. Furthermore, if I saw them in their completeness I still would not have fully seen either of them for I have never seen the depths of them. All I have seen is a small area on the surface.

- a) I remember on one occasion flying from Australia to Los Angeles. It was a night flight and consequently dark. Sitting and having a window seat I looked out, but apart from the blinking light on the wing, nothing could be seen. It was pitch black, not a star or moon could be seen and I thought, what would the reaction be if the pilot announced that our engines had failed and we were going to crash land in the ocean? Looking out at the darkness there was no idea how high we were up, how strong the waves were, or where was the nearest land. Indescribable panic would overcome the heart and mind as the light on the aircraft would flicker and then go out. Sitting on that plane helpless, knowing that I was about to die and no one would know until later, I thought of this because just prior to my flight this actually had happened on a similar flight from Brazil.
- b) When it is a beautiful day flying is delightful as one sees vehicles on the freeways moving like little toys and at times, towns and villages as they slowly start to function and people begin their daily tasks. I wonder, "As God looks on this earth, what does He see?"

What I Do Not See Even In Daylight

As the aircraft flies over cities like London and New York at 35,000 feet I cannot see people. I know they are there, thousands and millions of them, but they cannot be seen, they are too small, nor can I see what they are doing. Is that how it is when God looks down on this earth? A thousand times "No"! What He sees is every individual, what they are doing, what they are saying, what they are thinking, and why they are doing things. The psalmist puts it so perfectly:

"O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether. Whither shall I

go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee (Psa. 139: 1-5, 7-9, 11-12).

What Does God See?

The message is clear, God sees everything and no matter where I go, there is no escaping His observation and knowledge. What does God see?

- a) He sees my sinful condition that makes me totally unfit to be in His presence. God is exceedingly holy, not just clean but holy, and in my sinful condition I am an undeserving blasphemous six foot of dust. He sees my striving to do good works to gain admittance into Heaven, but He sees that all the dependence I have on good works can do nothing but infuriate the just anger of God and have me, an individual, condemned to eternal night and damnation.
- b) God sees every sin, every transgression, every lustful glance, hears every filthy joke, and every individual stands with a closed mouth, the conscience bearing witness to the truth of what He says and knows. Worst still is I have no high paid advocate or under the table judge to pay off. He sees me standing alone, no friends who laugh, no associates to smirk, and no awaking as from a dreadful dream. This is reality.
- c) God sees His only Son suffering my Hell for me. He sees how His Son willingly stood alone and judgment was not only stated upon Him, but executed on Him. He saw His Son forsaken, a God forsaken man enduring the eternal curse of God I deserved.
- d) God sees my acceptance of Jesus as my suffering Substitute, the only One who can make me acceptable to the Holy God. Man can call it exclusiveness but that is God's way. He does not need to give a reason for it. In grace He informs humanity that the sacrifice of Jesus is the only way to have fellowship with God.

No other door, No other way, No other Guide to the realms of day, No other Keeper when tempted to stray, No other Friend like Jesus.

What God sees is an opportunity for man to accept His offer and of their own volition, without help or hinderance, decide whither to accept or reject. Pilate asked, "What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?" (Matt. 27:22). To the human being God gives specific, clear, unconfused directions how to be made righteous before Him, to be acceptable to Him, and to have fellowship with Him. Some people are so stubborn that they will not accept God's way because of that which another has done. To such I ask, "When you are banished into the Lake of Fire, forsaken by God, in the blackness of hopelessness for eternity, will the choice you make then seem to be a wise one?"

- a) While you are alive and can make a conscious decision, God is patiently waiting. The decision is the individuals, "Accept God's way or reject it." "Accept God's way and be sure of Heaven or reject it and be sure of Hell".
- b) God sees the decision you make and is under no obligation to give a second opportunity to accept it. The Bible says, "Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2).

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