

THE FOUR G'S

GREAT • GLORIOUS • GOOD • GRACIOUS

Isaiah 40:12-31

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand

and marked off the heavens with a span,
enclosed the dust of the earth in a
measure and weighed the mountains in
scales and the hills in a balance?

Isaiah 40:12-31

¹³ Who has measured the Spirit of the Lord,
or what man shows him his counsel?

¹⁴ Whom did he consult,
and who made him understand?

Who taught him the path of justice,
and taught him knowledge,
and showed him the way of
understanding?

Isaiah 40:12-31

¹⁵ Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are accounted as the dust on the scales; behold, he takes up the coastlands like fine dust.

¹⁶ Lebanon would not suffice for fuel, nor are its beasts enough for a burnt offering.

Isaiah 40:12-31

¹⁷ All the nations are as nothing before him, they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.

¹⁸ To whom then will you liken God,
or what likeness compare with him?

Isaiah 40:12-31

¹⁹ An idol! A craftsman casts it,
and a goldsmith overlays it with gold
and casts for it silver chains.

²⁰ He who is too impoverished for an
offering chooses wood that will not rot;
he seeks out a skillful craftsman
to set up an idol that will not move.

Isaiah 40:12-31

²¹ Do you not know? Do you not hear?

Has it not been told you from the beginning?

Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

Isaiah 40:12-31

²² It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; ²³ who brings princes to nothing, and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness.

Isaiah 40:12-31

²⁴ Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵ To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

Isaiah 40:12-31

²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see:
who created these?

He who brings out their host by number,
calling them all by name;
by the greatness of his might
and because he is strong in power,
not one is missing.

Isaiah 40:12-31

27 Why do you say, O Jacob,
and speak, O Israel,
“My way is hidden from the Lord,
and my right is disregarded by my
God”?
28 Have you not known? Have you not
heard?

Isaiah 40:12-31

The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹ He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he
increases strength.

Isaiah 40:12-31

³⁰ Even youths shall faint and be weary,
and young men shall fall exhausted;

³¹ but they who wait for the Lord shall renew
their strength;

they shall mount up with wings like
eagles;

they shall run and not be weary;

they shall walk and not faint.

God is Great

Beneath every sin and most negative emotions there is a lie.

God is Great

It is belief that most affects our behavior and the emotions that we allow to reside in our hearts.

God is Great

“The main art in spiritual living is to know how to handle yourself. You have to take yourself in hand, you have to address yourself, preach to yourself, question yourself. You must be able to turn on yourself, upbraid yourself.

God is Great

To be able to remind yourself of God,
Who God is, and what God is and what
God has done, and what God has
promised to do.

God is Great

The essence of this matter is to understand that this self of ours, this other man within us, has got to be handled. Do not listen to him; turn on him; speak to him; condemn him; upbraid him; exhort him; encourage him;

God is Great

remind him of what you know instead of listening placidly to him and allowing him to drag you down and hold you in bondage

-Martyn Lloyd-Jones

God is Great

The real pathway to change and freedom involves embracing the truth about God and delighting in that truth.

God is Great

God is Glorious- so we don't have to fear others.

God is Great- so we don't have to be in control.

Isaiah 40:12-31

God needs no advisors [vs. 13-14]

The nations do not negate or frustrate
His will [vs. 17, 22-ff]

God never gets tired [vs. 28]

God is HUGE [vs. 12, 22, 25]