

THE GREATNESS OF GOD AND HIS WORD

MEDITATION ON THE GREATNESS OF OUR GOD AND HIS WORD-

In Psalm 111:2 the psalmist writes...

Great are the works of the LORD.

They are studied (searched carefully) by all who delight in them.

I fear too often in the morning I speed read the Bible more like a Martha who "was distracted with all her preparations" than like a Mary who "was listening to the Lord's word, seated at His feet." (Lk 10:39-40) And so I was convicted when I read the Puritan writer [John Flavel's](#) (1627–1691) exhortation on Psalm 111:2...

"Let your [meditation](#) be as intensively full as may be. Do not let your thoughts swim like feathers upon the surface of the waters, but sink like lead to the bottom. Not that I think it feasible to sound the depth of divine providence by our short line: "Your way was in the sea and Your paths in the mighty waters, and Your footprints may not be known." (Ps. 77:19), but it is our duty to dive as far as we can; and to admire the depth, when we cannot touch the bottom. It is in our viewing His [providences](#) as it was with Elijah's servant, when he looked out for rain (1 Kings 18:44). He went out once and viewed the heavens, and saw nothing, but the prophet bid him to go again and again, and look upon the face of heaven seven times; and when he had done so, what now, says the prophet? "O now," says he: "I see a cloud rising like a man's hand"; and then, keeping his eye intently upon it, he sees the whole face of heaven covered with clouds. So you may look upon some divine [providences](#) in His Word once and again, and see little or nothing in them; but look "seven times", that is, meditate often upon them, and you will see their increasing glory, like that increasing cloud!"

O Lord, by Thy sweet Spirit, transform our hearts to be less and less like Martha who was "worried and bothered about so many things" and more and more like Mary who understood that "only a few things are necessary, really only one" so that we like Mary might chose "the good part, which shall not be taken away from" us in time or eternity...in Jesus' great Name. Amen (Luke 10:41-42)

How blessed is the man....
Who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked,
Nor stand in the path of sinners,
Nor sit in the seat of scoffers!
But his delight is in the law of the LORD,
And in His law he meditates day and night.
And he will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water,
Which yields its fruit in its season,
And its leaf does not wither;
And in whatever he does, he prospers.
--- Psalm 1:1-3-[note](#)

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