

FRIDAY AUGUST 20

FORGET NOT WHO AND WHAT GOD IS

Isaiah 40:28-31

God's Word is our primary source of getting to know God and all that He is. It is a life time of learning and experiencing as much as is humanly possible of His nature, His character, and His ways.

As Isaiah asked us two questions in verse 28, he gives three names of God and these names themselves should remind us of Whom it is we serve His character and nature.

- 1. He is the everlasting God (Elohiym). He has no beginning and no end but has always been.**
- 2. He is the Lord (Jehovah Yahweh). He is eternal and is ruler over all.**
- 3. He is the Creator. Everything that exists is because of Him and His power.**

In this portion of Scripture, Isaiah is speaking in particular to those who grow weary. Weariness can come to us physically, spiritually, and emotionally because of various reasons. When we are weary, we feel more vulnerable and weak. Isaiah is reminding us, "Don't forget Who it is you serve...the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator. Because of Who He is and what He is, He does not grow weary as we do. Because He is all this and more (when we are weary), we can encourage ourselves in knowing that there are three things we cannot do when it comes to the everlasting One, the Lord, and the Creator.

- 1. No matter how much we need and go to Him for help, we cannot exhaust His power or cause Him to become weary.**
- 2. We cannot make Him to become tired or weary of doing what is needed for those who love and submit to Him. The only time He grows weary is when it comes to sin and rebellion (Malachi 2:7; Isaiah 43:23-24).**
- 3. It is impossible to search out His understanding.**

As Isaiah spoke to those who were in captivity and were quite weary, his words of remembrance are for us as well because God never changes over time. Because His power cannot be exhausted, He gives power to the weak. When our strength is exhausted or running low, He increases it causing it to multiply (verse 29). We cannot do it on our own. We need Him. It is those who look to Him, who trust and wait expectantly for Him does the promise come. "They 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." (Verse 31 NKJV)