A.W. Milner put all of his earthly belongings in a coffin and sailed for New Hebrides Islands. The New Hebrides headhunter tribe had martyred every missionary before him. He labored and brought the Gospel to this tribe for 35 years. When he died, these headhunters buried him in the middle of the village and inscribed on his tombstone: "When he came there was no light. When he left there was no darkness."
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THE KING OF GLORY
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How Big is Your God?

Bigger than all my problems,
Bigger than all my fears,
God is bigger than any mountain
That I can or cannot see.
Bigger than all my questions,
Bigger than anything
God is bigger than any mountain
That I can or cannot see.
Gordon Jensen

Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, measured heaven with a span and calculated the dust of the earth in a measure? Weighed mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? (Isaiah 40:12)

For with God nothing will be impossible. (Luke 1:37)

Is anything too hard for the LORD? (Genesis 18:14a)

Behold the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, nor His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. (Isaiah 59:1)

The Holy and Glorious Lord

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw also the LORD sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple. Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings; with two he covered his face, with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!" And the post of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. So I said, "Woe is me, for I am undone!

Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts." Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your iniquity is taken away, and your sin is purged. Also I heard the voice of the LORD, saying, "Whom shall I send and who will go for Us? Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

a. Uzziah (strength of the Lord) the son sign: Uzziah ascended to the throne when he was 16 years old. He reigned as king over Israel for 52 years. As long as he sought the Lord, God made him prosper (1st Chronicles 28:9; Psalm 69:32) and gave him many military successes. He reigned during a time of prosperity and made many costly improvements in Jerusalem. At first he was considered a good king, but Uzziah became puffed up with pride because of his prosperity, and he usurped the function of the chief priest and offered incense. Thus, he was a type of antichrist of the last days (Exodus 30:7-8; Daniel 11:36-37; 2nd Thessalonians 2:3-4). Because of his pride, the Lord struck him with leprosy, and he died around 740 BC. In this passage in Isaiah, Isaiah sees Uzziah as his hero-king. But to us, he is a warning from God that we are not to walk in spiritual pride. No matter how high you go up the spiritual ladder, you cannot violate the laws of God. This is a form of pride, and pride opens us up to destruction (Proverbs 16:18-*Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall*). We must be careful not to walk in pride. I believe that the two chief snares of Satan for the servants of God are spiritual pride and fleshly lust.
   A period of uncertainty came because of the rise of the enemies of Israel (Assyria) and because of the death of this king.
b. Isaiah *saw* the Lord. Do you want to see the Lord? Are you ready for visitations from heaven through dreams and visions? The requirement is purity. The Lord Himself said, **"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."**
c. The LORD is sitting on His throne. He has everything under control, no matter what you hear on Fox News or CNN or MSNBC. Is he high and lifted up in your heart? Jesus said, speaking of the Cross, **"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself"** (John 12:32).
d. The longer a train was, the more power the King was. Every time a king captured another king, he would cut off the captive king's train and have it sown on the end of his train. The symbolism here is that the Lord is all powerful as evidenced by His train filling the temple.
e. Seraphims were angelic beings of great power and importance. Their name literally means "burning ones." Covering their face was necessary because of the brightness of the Lord's glory. Covering their face meant that they were submissive to the Lord.

f. The Lord is holy. He is completely separated from anything sinful or unholy.
g. One day the glory of the Lord is going to fill the whole earth.
h. The great prophet Isaiah felt his own sinfulness in the presence of a holy God. He feared for his own life because he knew that God would not tolerate uncleanness in His presence.
i. God prepares Isaiah for his ministry as a prophet by cleansing his lips with a burning coal. Fire purifies. The Lord desires to baptize us with fire.

Four Definitions of God in the Bible

(These are incomplete because God cannot be fully defined.)

a. **God is love.** 1st John 4:8: *He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.*
b. **God is light**. 1st John 1:5: *This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.*
c. **God is a consuming fire.** Hebrews 12:29: *For our God is a consuming fire.*
d. **God is Spirit.** John 4:24: ***God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.***

Four Aspects of His Nature

a. **God is the author of life:** John 5:25-26: ***Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear it will live. For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself…***
b. **God is omniscient or all knowing:** Psalm 147:5: Great is the Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite.
c. **God is omnipotent or all powerful:** *And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!"*
d. **God is omnipresent or present everywhere:** Psalm 139:7-10: *Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there Your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me.*
   Jeremiah 23:23-24: *Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off? Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? Saith the Lord.*

The Glory of God

a. **It was manifested to both Moses** (Exodus 24:9-17), when he went up on the mountain to receive the ten commandments on the tablets of stone, **and to Stephen**, before he, as the first Christian killed for his faith in Jesus, was stoned (Acts 7:55-*But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God).*
b. **It was reflected in Christ:** John 1:14-*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.*
c. **It shines in the hearts of true believers:** 2nd Corinthians 4:6- *For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.*
d. **Believers will stand in the presence of the Glory of God:** Jude 24 & 25-*Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, to God our Savior, Who alone is wise, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and forever. Amen.*

On the Other Hand, The Glory of Mankind

a. **The glory of mankind is lost by sin:** Romans 3:23-*For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*
b. **The glory of mankind soon passes away:** 1st Peter 1:24 & 25-*All flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers and its flower falls away, but the word of the LORD endures forever.*
c. **The glory of mankind is removed by death:** Psalm 49:17-20-*For when he died he shall carry nothing away; His glory shall not descend after him. Though while he lives he blesses himself (for men will praise you when you do well for yourself). He shall go to the generation of his fathers; they shall never see light. A man who is in honor, yet does not understand is like the beasts that perish.*

The Cry of the Genuinely Saved Person

a. **To see His Glory:** Exodus 33:15-18-*Then he* [Moses] *said to Him, "If Your Presence does not go with us, do not bring us up from here. For how then will it be known that Your people and I have found grace in Your sight, except You go with us? So we shall be separate, Your people and I, from all the people who are upon the face of the earth." So the LORD said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have spoken; for you have found grace in My sight, and I know you by name." And he* [Moses] *said, "Please show me Your glory."*
b. **For the Shekinah Glory to fill the House:** 1st Kings 8:10-11: *And it came to pass, when the priests came out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of the*

LORD, so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

c. **To declare His glory:** 1st Chronicles 16:23-24-*Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.*
d. **For the King of Glory to come in:** Psalm 24:7-10-*Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty. The Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. Who is the King of glory? The Lord of hosts. He is the King of glory. Selah*

What is the King of Glory doing Today?

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever!
Hebrews 13:8

Be astonished! Be astounded! For I am going to do something in your own lifetime that you will have to see to believe.
Habakkuk 1:5

But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
1st Corinthians 2:9

And, having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it.
Colossians 2:15

Beloved, now are we the children of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is.
1st John 3:2

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto my Father.
John 14:12