Psalms 19:1 *The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*

Isaiah 40:25-26 *"To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. [26] Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.*

****I love looking up at the stars and getting lost in the wonder and the grandeur of it all. It reminds me of how awesome and great God really is. After all He created it, sustains it, and has given it to us to enjoy. In fact the Universe is a living and vibrant object lesson showing us God Glory.

John Piper says it this way: *"The physical eye is mean to say to the spiritual eye, 'Not this, but the Make of this, is the Desire of your soul.'"* (p. 11) When we look at the mountains or listen to the waves crash on the shore we get a better perspective of our place in God's creation. "We are all starved for the glory of God, not self. No one goes to the Grand Canyon to increase self-esteem. Why to we go? Because there is greater healing for the soul in beholding splendor than there is in beholding self." (Piper p. 15 - Seeing and Savoring Christ).

PRAYER: Lord God, help me to be lost in the wonder of Your Glory. Help me to remember that You call the trillions of stars by name. And that you know me and call me by name as well. Help me to be awed by the fact that in all of this vast and wondrous universe You love me.

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