

Glory

Scripture Reading — Ezekiel 1:22-28

This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. Ezekiel 1:28 —

Ezekiel did not see the Lord. He did not see even the glory of the Lord. He saw "the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord." Ezekiel caught just a glimpse of a glimmer of divine radiance, but that was enough to floor him.

The Lord is awesome. He is "God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen" (1 Timothy 6:15-16).

God gave hints of his glory to the prophets, but his ultimate revelation to us came in his Son, Jesus Christ. "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth... No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known" (John 1:14, 18). When we trust Jesus and receive his Spirit, our petty plans give way to awestruck reverence. "For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ" (2 Corinthians 4:6).

As God's glory fills us, we worship his majesty. What a privilege!

Prayer

"Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name." "To the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever." Amen.

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