

即使连没有受过教育和最无知的人，仅凭他们的眼见亦足以知道神的杰作，因神的杰作彰显在非千篇一律而又井然有序地排列在天上的众星里。那么，显然主将祂的智慧丰富地彰显给每一个人。就拿人身体的结构来说，人必须得有极多的财富，并拥有像盖伦(Galen)那样的技术才能衡量身体各部分的结合、对称、完美，和身体各个器官的用途。然而，就像所有人都承认的，人身体的结构如此奇妙，以至这身体的巧匠被称为行神迹者是恰当的。

3. 因此一些哲学家在很久以前就智慧地称人为微观世界，因人是神的全能、良善，以及智慧少有的例证。并且人本身充满神迹，值得我们终身思想，只要我们不抗拒这思想。保罗说：即便是瞎子寻求神仍可以揣摩而得之后，他立刻又说：“祂离我们各人不远”(徒 17: 27)。无疑地，每一个人都能感受到天上赐给他生命的恩典。

的确，既然人毋须在自己身体之外才能寻求神，那不愿降卑己身来寻求神的懒人有什么借口呢？因而当大卫王在赞美那可称颂的处处彰显自己荣耀的神之后，他立刻就宣称：“人算什么，你竟顾念他？”(诗 8: 4)同样地，“从婴孩和吃奶的口中，建立了能力”(诗 8: 2)。事实上，大卫不只宣称在人身上可看到神创造之工地清晰影儿，也宣称吃奶之婴儿的口才就已足够，而不需要任何演说家来宣扬神的荣耀。所以，大卫肯定婴儿的口才，就好像他们受过良好的训练，能驳倒那些宁愿涂抹神之名，也不愿放弃来自魔鬼之傲慢的人。为了证明这点，我们也要提出保罗引用亚拉突(Aratus)的话，即“我们也是祂所生的”(徒 17: 28)，因神极奇妙地装饰我们的身体，证明祂是我们的父亲。同样地，世俗的诗人出于相同的感觉和经验称神是“众人之父”。然而，其实人若没有先尝到神慈父般的爱，并且用爱和敬拜回报祂，便不会献上自己甘心乐意的服事。

Still, none who have the use of their eyes can be ignorant of the divine skill manifested so conspicuously in the endless variety, yet distinct and well-ordered array, of the heavenly host; and, therefore, it is plain that the Lord has furnished every man with abundant proofs of his wisdom. The same is true in regard to the structure of the human frame. To determine the connection of its parts, its symmetry and beauty, with the skill of a Galen (Lib. De Usu Partium), requires singular acuteness; and yet all men acknowledge that the human body bears on its face such proofs of ingenious contrivance as are sufficient to proclaim the admirable wisdom of its Maker.

3. Hence certain of the philosophers have not improperly called man a *microcosm* (miniature world), as being a rare specimen of divine power, wisdom, and goodness, and containing within himself wonders sufficient to occupy our minds, if we are willing so to employ them. Paul, accordingly, after reminding the Athenians that they "might feel after God and find him," immediately adds, that " he is not far from every one of us" (Acts xvii. 27) ; every man having within himself undoubted evidence of the heavenly grace by which he lives, and moves, and has his being.

But if, in order to apprehend God, it is unnecessary to go farther than ourselves, what excuse can there be for the sloth of any man who will not take the trouble of descending into himself that he may find Him ? For the same reason, too, David, after briefly celebrating the wonderful name and glory of God, as everywhere displayed, immediately exclaims, " What is man, that thou art mindful of him ?" and again, " Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings thou hast ordained strength" (Psalm viii. 2, 4). Thus he declares not only that the human race are a bright mirror of the Creator's works, but that infants hanging on their mothers' breasts have tongues eloquent enough to proclaim his glory without the aid of other orators. Accordingly, he hesitates not to bring them forward as fully instructed to refute the madness of those who, from devilish pride, would fain extinguish the name of God. Hence, too, the passage which Paul quotes from Aratus, " We are his offspring" (Acts xvii. 28), the excellent gifts with which he has endowed us attesting that he is our Father. In the same way, also, from natural instinct, and, as it were, at the dictation of experience, heathen poets. call him the father of men. No one, indeed, will voluntarily and willingly devote himself to the service of God unless he has previously tasted his paternal love, and been thereby allured to love and reverence Him.

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感恩与祷告 Thanksgiving and Prayers:

1. 请继续为婆婆早日康复祷告。 Continue to pray for Granny Mrs Chan 's conditions & her recovery.
2. Pray for our young people during this summer as they undertake various activities. May the Lord bless them as they grow unto maturity both physically & spiritually.
3. 感谢神, Benjamin 和晶晶已经在 Coventry 华人基督教会很好地安定下来。 Praise God that Benjamin & Jingjing seem to have settled well in Coventry Chinese Christian Church.
4. 求神引导 Ah Mei 在中国的前程。 4. Pray for God's guidance for Ah Mei's future in China.
5. 为英国政府有智慧解决英国社会的经济问题来祷告。 Pray for the British government to have the wisdom to sort out the economic problems in UK.
6. 英军在阿富汗与伊拉克战场阵亡人数不断上升, 为他们亲人祷告。 Pray for the British forces in Afghanistan & Iraq as the death toll & casualties continue to rise. Pray also for their loved ones & families at this worrying time.