

## Dealing with an Omniscient God

*Scripture reading:* Revelation 22:13

The Bible says that God created man in His own image, but He made him in His likeness. Listen to this: He created you in His image, and He made you in His likeness. Let me explain what I mean. When God made Adam, what did God see? When God said, "It is good," what did He see? Can anybody answer that? He saw a perfect man! God knew that Adam was not finished, but He saw a perfect man, because when God sees He sees the past and He sees the present and He sees the future, all at the same time. Now, can you understand that? Can you understand a person talking with you, and seeing your past, and seeing your present, and seeing what you will do tomorrow, and seeing your end—the whole thing! It is like a man high up in an airplane looking down on a river. He sees where the river begins, he sees the continuation, and he sees the end. He sees all this at the same time! God therefore, sees us in a way that we cannot see, and because He sees us in a way that we cannot see, we should trust Him, and whatever He tells us to do, we should do it! If He says, "Jump over the precipice," you should jump, because God is seeing us in a way that we cannot see and He is knowing us in a way that we cannot know. And it all because God is God! Now, because God is God, and because of what He is going to do, we should be very close to Him: hearing, listening, and moving in what He is doing and what He is saying.

We do not know the end of this matter. He is seeing what our end will be. Every one of you had a beginning, didn't you? And you have an end. Have you ever thought of it? You have an end, and God is seeing your end right now, not waiting until tomorrow to see your end, or the next day, or the day when your time will come to be with the Lord. He is looking at you right now!

Now, because God is looking at me, I should be very, very careful of what I do and what I say. Everything I do and everything I say should be God. Too many of us, too many times, are saying that God said so and so, and that God said to do this, and God said to do that. We are taking the Name of the Lord in vain, because God did not say so, but we think that God said so. Now what we think God says and what God says are two different things. I think that God is saying to me to do so, and so, and so; but is God saying to me to do so, and so, and so? I have to be able to balance between what I think God says and what God really says.

We are dealing then with an omniscient God. We say He is omniscient, which means that God sees everything, everywhere, at the same time. It is not even possible for us to conceive of someone who can see everything everywhere at the same time. Can you think of that? Can you think of someone who is seeing the outside of this wood, and at the same time seeing the inside and every atom that is in the wood? And as he sees this one piece of wood, at the same time he is seeing the whole universe! To us, as far as our thinking is concerned, He is an impossible God!

Therefore, may God help us not to think, just help us to do what He says to do; to move when He says to move; to walk when He says to walk; to talk when He says to talk. And when we make a mistake, to say, "Oh God, I am sorry. Forgive me for that one. Yes, I goofed." In other words, we can make mistakes. Some people cannot, but we can make mistakes; and I want you to understand that.

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