Subject: Eternity and our place in it.

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Some disjointed but related thoughts on eternity and our place in it.

Isaiah 11/9

. . . for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Habakkuk 2:14

For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea

There must be a lot about God and eternity that we don't know or understand. Actually in light of these verses a vast ocean.

"Obviously"

When you stop and give it some thought though you realize how much there is out there.

Here is what James had to say about our human life:

James 4/14

"What is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away."

David in Ps.144/4

"his days are like a shadow that passes away"

Paul said (paraphrasing) the life we have now is not worth comparing to the life we have in front of us in eternity

Isaiah said in 40/6-8 and quoted by Peter

All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: the grass withereth, the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand forever.

Moses wrote a whole Psalm contrasting our eternal infinite God with us; a puff of smoke gone with the wind.

As I have said at other times here I think the spiritual realm is filled with dominions universes dimensions realms kingdoms domains all ruled over (under God) and filled with personalities we don't know anything about. I think that those rulers look at our universe and see a little

neighborhood park.

Our entire life is like a painting on the wall.

All of our years like taking the dog for an evening walk.

Issac Newton is considered by almost everyone as one of the greatest intellects in recorded history. Along with most of the early modern scientists, he was a Christian. Although there is some debate about that. It would be difficult to overestimate the impact he had on modern science. He said . . .

"I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself, I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the sea-shore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, whilst the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me.

I said all this to say to those of us saved and still following Jesus that it's worth holding on. I don't know what we are going to do through all of eternity but I do know we won't be sitting on clouds playing harps.

I think Jesus has some mighty interesting things planned for himself to do throughout the ages of eternity and he wants us to join in with him.