## And We Think Turkeys Are Stupid!

Praising הוה God For The Various Expressions Of His Gracious, Abundant Epistemic Revelation

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The wonders of observed **science** point to the glories of God. When I consider the fine tuning of the Universe, the complexities of living systems and the *beauties* of His awesome Creation, I can't help but *bow the knee* in worship of Jesus Christ Who has created all things.

The insights of common-sense **reason** declare the reality of God Most High. Nothing comes from nothing (or a conjectured *cosmic egg*); random explosions do not create order; contradictions allow for practical discernment; etc. When I consider the gift of mind which our Creator has graciously allowed mankind, I can't help but acknowledge: *He has my attention*!

The precious **experiences** of life point to the honor of human origin having a relational emphasis. When I consider the depth of love God has for lost sinners – Romans 5:8 – I can't help but ask Him: "Lord, having accepted Your love, how can I show You my love in return?"

The soft voice of **innate conscience** whispers His moral perspective. When I consider the convicting power of this quality of man, I can't help but confess, "Lord, I am a sinner needing Your forgiveness and means to rise above my sinful state."

The firm **historical evidences** which absolutely deny Deism – God exists *but has left the building* (a very simple definition) – are clear and no one is left with sufficient excuse. When I consider the abundance of historical science pointing to *Immanuel, God with us,* I can't help but thank Him for gracing us with His generous incentives to believe Him – by faith!

The trustworthiness of His holy **Word** screams this: "Listen, you truth seekers." When I consider the full Counsel of His faithful *special* revelation, I can't help but fear Him as He so often calls His Old and New Covenant people to do by way of response.

When I consider the partial list of **epistemic sources** (above) which God has so abundantly provided whereby mankind is further motivated to seek Him – Exodus 20; Jeremiah 29:11-13 (in application to/for today's Saints in Jesus Christ); Matthew 6:33 and other passages – I can't help but feel genuine sorrow (because I have, in God's mercy and grace, His caring perspective) for those who unwisely choose to reject these and other Truths which He has given so that we enter into a restored relationship with Him through His only provision, Jesus Christ.

Yes, there are aspects of stupidity – including sexual impulse – in turkey behavior. Yes, there are aspects of stupidity – including sexual impulse – in human actions too. So please consider this, you who seek both the truths of man **and** the Truths of God:

We're the foolish ones IF we reject the *many infallible proofs* our gracious הוה God has so kindly, in His LOVE for us, extended. We're actually stupid to reject the eternal provision of God in Jesus Christ: Forgiveness of sin through His blood sacrifice in His death and resurrection victory over death in His

resurrection. These are eternal matters. There are no greater issues (those being: sin and death) to resolve before God. One must accept His solutions to these *universal uglies* BEFORE death! Do you discern the unstated appeal in Hebrews 9:27? As one states it in another place in holy Scripture, "Be reconciled to God!"

In conclusion ...

Christians who have sincerely experienced new birth:

Walk in loving obedience for God by the help of His Vine and His Holy Spirit.

**Non-Christians** who yet need to be born again from above:

Receive the love of God in Jesus Christ.\*

## An invitation to churches:

We highlight this epistemic theme of *how do we know what we think we know* in our *Truth Foundations'* and *Truth Matters'* discipleship ministry efforts. **Have us come** and further equip you in the ministries of Gospel and Discipleship during these days just prior to the initial Second-Coming appearing of our great God and Savior, the Lord of lords and King of kings, Jesus Christ. Contact our ministry field director (Jon) at <u>email@therapturegathering.org</u>.

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