

August 17th – The Mere Edges of His Ways

*“Indeed these are the mere edges of His ways, and how small a whisper we hear of Him! But the thunder of His power who can understand?”*

(Job 26:14)

As Job was reflecting on all his sorrow, he didn't neglect to remember the amazing power of God. In Job 26, he recounted God's power in creation. Among other things he said, “He stretches out the north over empty space; He hangs the earth on nothing. He binds up the water in His thick clouds” (Job 26:7-8). The fact is that God created everything out of nothing, and even now the whole of creation is being held together by His power. Despite what evolutionists say, without God there is no creation!

How difficult is it for the Lord to be the Creator and Sustainer of all there is? Job said it was like nothing at all to God – “these are the mere edges of His ways.” The entire created order is only a blip on the radar screen of God's power. Job further reflected – “how small a whisper we hear of Him!” As awesome as creation is, it is not even a hint of God's real power. He is able to do “exceedingly, abundantly above anything we ask or think” (Eph. 3:20). We've only witnessed the whisper of His power!

Job asks a question we all need to consider – “the thunder of His power who can understand?” If the whisper of God's power is already overwhelming to us, how in the world could we comprehend “the thunder of His power?” Think of it like this – earth and the created order is God's whisper, while heaven and the hereafter are His thunder. It's for good reason God is going to resurrect us with a glorified body. As we are, there's no way any of us could survive the glorious thunder of His power in heaven. What an awesome God we serve!