"But I am poor and needy; <u>yet the Lord thinketh upon me</u>: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God." Psalms 40:17 KJV

Did you ever stop and ponder, "Just how big is God?" We think of Him as a person, and rightly so, but in our minds we equate person with a human size. God is a giant! A Colossus! So big He is omnipresent in what we see as an infinite universe! Our sun is 93 MILLION miles away, the closest star to us, the universe contains literally TRILLIONS of them, and God is bigger than all that! Can you imagine an invisible being that big? His Word so powerful it speaks existence into being from nothing? The opposite being true as well! He could with a word cause existence to cease, "For He is before ALL THINGS and by Him ALL THINGS consist! [He has] created all things, and for [His] pleasure they are and were created." If you tried to build a table, and the wood sauntered off on its own to your neighbor's house and denied your



ownership? How would you react to that? That's exactly what man does when he serves his own desire and denies the God who made even his existence a reality! Without the potter, the clay is just dirt! It is the potter who finds, fixes, forms, fires, and finishes the clay into a vessel fit for honor and beauty! "Dust thou art and unto dust thou shalt return" unless by faith God works in and through you to His honor and glory! The vessel is not praised for its beauty, the craftsman is. A painting is worthless until finished and signed! The Apostle Paul put it this way; "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; Which He shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life." Men prate and prance around, conjuring up some fable of origins, denigrating man to an "evolved organism," and think by so doing to absolve themselves of judgment. "Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things." In spite of all this, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son; that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting Life." In spite of all this "God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me!"

> Eternal God as mortal came, And mercy gave to men in shame, That they might join in Love's refrain, "Amazing Grace!" in Jesus' name! ~CGP

You can just remain so much dirt, or you can submit to the Potter's will and let God fashion you into an eternal vessel of honor for His House! "We love Him, because He first loved us." God had plans for you before your birth!

"For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brethren." Romans 8:29 KJV