Omnipotence and Omniscience of God

"For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, that is, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, being understood by what has been made, so that they are without excuse." Romans 1:20

"Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I get up; You understand my thought from far away. You scrutinize my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before there is a word on my tongue, behold, Lord, You know it all." Psalms 139:1-4

April Birthdays

3 Amanda Hoffman 6 Susan Hudson 16 Alana Hudson 23 Shannon Hudson 30 Aaron McCollum 30 Margaret Graddon

April Anniversaries

19 Bill & Kena Brown

Regular Meeting Times

Sunday......9:45 a.m. Sunday......10:45 a.m.

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The Significant Life of a Carpenter

Posted by David Hershey

He was born in an obscure village in a remote corner of the Roman Empire karma to parents who enjoyed no financial advantage or significant social status. He grew up in a village of little importance, where he worked as a Carpenter for most of his adult life. At around the age of 30 he became a wandering teacher whose message was considered offensive to some.

He never wrote a book built a great building or achieved what most would consider worldly success. He never held a political office, own the house or property. He never attended a college and never traveled to one of the world's great cities like Rome, ephesus, or athens. He never gave the world a great invention, a cure for a dreaded disease or a notable scientific discovery period he never personally painted a celebrated painting or wrote a great song or piece of music.

He was never cited for bravery but is remembered for his courage. He led no earthly army or was ever a decorated war hero. He was never awarded an Olympic gold medal or a Medal of Honor. He never won a championship at any level. He did none of the things that the world recognizes as greatness.

The ministry that he is primarily known for lasted around three years. He lived on this earth for only 33 years period he was still a young man on the tide of public opinion turned against him. He was unjustly turned over to those who held him in contempt. In his darkest hour, most of his close friends deserted him. He went through a mockery of a trial and was unjustly condemned to death by crucifixion. He was a victim of a campaign of lies, slander and false accusations orchestrated by religious leaders. His own

countrymen called for his crucifixion, and he was executed by the state as a criminal. While he was dying his executioners gambled for the only possessions he could say was his own, an article of clothing. When he was taken down from the cross he was placed in a borrowed tomb. Three days later he was resurrected and some 40 days later he ascended back to heaven. Today he exercises all power and authority, and he reigns over God's Kingdom from his throne in heaven. At some future point he will return.

More than 20 centuries have come and gone since Jesus was crucified and resurrected. Today he is history's most significant figure and the most important person to ever set foot on this earth. Jesus of Nazareth is the world's most significant life.

Our God, He is Alive

A.W. Dicus

Aaron Wesley Dicus (1888-1978) wrote this hymn as a rebuttal to a 1960s theological movement in America that sought to say God was dead in the minds of most people because modern people showed little concern for God.

Comments by Jim Burruss

This song emphasizes the **omnipotence** and **omniscience** of God in each verse.

From science, we understand...sorta...that two tiny cells...with LIFE in each one (one from a man and one from a woman can end up as a fully developed human being...pretty difficult to really comprehend.

And, regarding science...when something involves "life" (whether human, animal, or plant), "science" can only **describe** what happens...man cannot **explain** it. That's the point A.W. Dicus emphasizes in verse 3 of the song, "Our God, He is Alive"... "Secure is life (Life!) from mortal mind, God holds the germ withing His hand. Tho' men may search, they cannot find, for God alone does understand."

Verse 1: There is, beyond the azure blue, a God concealed from human sight, He tinted skies with heav'nly hue and framed the worlds with His great might.

<u>Refrain</u>: There is a God, He is alive, in Him we live, and we survive; From dust our God created man, He is our God, the great I AM.

Verse 2: There was, a long, long time ago, a God whose voice the prophets heard, He is the God that we should know, who speaks from His inspired Word. [Refrain]

Verse 3: Secure is life from mortal mind, God holds the germ within His hand, Tho' men may search, they cannot find, for God alone does understand. [Refrain]

Verse 4: Our God, whose Son upon the tree, a life was willing there to give, That He from sin might set man free, and evermore with Him could live. [Refrain]

"More Than a Carpenter"

Book by Josh McDowell

Josh McDowell's story is one of hope, forgiveness and abundant grace. Growing up in a dysfunctional family with an alcoholic and violent father, and a sexually abusive caregiver, left him with a lifetime of scars. Then, as a young man, Josh considered himself an agnostic. He truly believed that Christianity was worthless. However, when challenged to intellectually examine the claims of Christianity, he discovered compelling, overwhelming evidence for the reliability of the Christian faith. After trusting in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, Josh's life changed dramatically as he experienced the power of God's love.

Job's Conclusion about God's Omnipotence

"I know that You can do all things, and that no plan is impossible for You." Job 42:2