

## REFLECTIONS ON PSALM 8

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Long have I gazed in wonder at the stars,  
Which radiate to Earth their blazing light,  
Or distant galaxies, or blood-red Mars,  
Or our own Moon, on many a lonely night;  
And as I stand in awe at the expanse  
Of all I see, which dwarfs the whole wide earth:  
What role has man in all this cosmic dance,  
I ask: Are we but specks of little worth?  
Then I recall, O Lord, Thy love so great  
Which burns more ardently than any sun,  
And drove Thee to assume our feeble state,  
And by Thy Blood, hast our redemption won.  
Thus do I marvel at the depths of space,  
But yet more marvelous is Thy work of grace.

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