

**TITLE AND NUMBER:** 207 How great You are

**REFERENCE AND KEY VERSES:** Psalm 104:1-9



Praise the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendour and majesty. The Lord wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind. He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants. He set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved. You covered it with the watery depths as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. But at your rebuke the waters fled, at the sound of your thunder they took to flight; they flowed over the mountains, they went down into the valleys, to the place you assigned for them. You set a boundary they cannot cross; never again will they cover the earth.

**LOOKING FURTHER:** Colossians 1:16; Psalm 90:2; Psalm 105:2; Psalm 139:14

### What does the Bible passage tell us?

I have had the privilege of flying over the Niagara Falls in Canada and the Grand Canyon in Arizona - both in a helicopter. The sights were spectacular! Every second, 681,750 gallons of water flow over the Horseshoe Falls! – (I wonder how this figure was calculated). In Arizona, we flew down into the Grand Canyon and settled on a ledge where we were able to get out of the helicopter. We looked up at the rocks towering above us and down to the gushing waters in the Colorado river below.

I am in admiration of the psalmist as he describes the wonders of God's creation. He marvels at what he sees and declares the greatness of God. 'Oh Lord, you are very great,' he says in verse 1, and explains why.

The God of heaven created each one of us in unique detail with the purpose of praising and worshipping Him - as we read in Psalm 139:14, we are 'fearfully and wonderfully made.' Can you imagine what it will be like when Jesus comes again or calls us home sooner? I long for that day when we will have the greatest worship celebration ever!

A man by the name of Stuart K Hine wrote the hymn *How great Thou art* published in 1949 adapted from words by Swedish preacher Carl Boberg. Many of you will know it. For me, this song sums up the greatness of God. Maybe this will stir you to sing this hymn again. The words can be found in the hymn book in the Chapel.

### Reflection

- Have you ever been overawed by God's creation? How did you feel?
- Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the wonder of all that God has done in you and for you.
- Maybe you would like to write your own psalm which expresses your thoughts about the wonder of God's creation and His goodness to you personally.

Write or draw something you read in this Bible Study that stood out to you.



*PRAISE  
GOD!*

Do you have any questions about this week's Bible Study?



How does this week's message apply to your life?



What can we learn about God from this week's passage?



What would you like to ask God this week?



Has God responded to your prayers this week in the way you had hoped for? It's okay to talk to God about this.

