

Indescribable :: Significant Insignificance :: Louie Giglio

INTRODUCTION

The universe is a big place. Astronomers estimate that it is 156 billion light years wide (keeping in mind that a light year is 5.87 trillion miles). This has led many to state that if earth is the only inhabited planet, it sure seems like there is a lot of wasted space out there. But what if the universe had a different purpose, other than just to house us? What if it was intended to communicate something to us? If we were to listen, what would it say about us and about God?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. When have you had the chance to observe the night sky and its starry host? What emotions did you feel?
- 2. Read Psalm 19:1-6. What does the universe communicate to us about God?
- 3. Why do we tend to lose perspective on how big God is? How does this impact how we approach life?
- 4. How can you remind yourself how big God is? What difference would it make in your life if you carried around the proper perspective of God's bigness?
- 5. Read Psalm 8:3-4. What does the universe communicate to us about ourselves?
- 6. Why do we tend to think of ourselves as bigger than we really are? When have you been reminded of your smallness?
- 7. Read Psalm 8:3-9 and Philippians 2:5-11. What is the source of our significance?

THINK ABOUT IT

View the pale blue dot and read Dr. Sagan's quote. How can you conduct yourself with humility this week and honor the one who did come to "save us from ourselves"? http://www.bigskyastroclub.org/pale_blue_dot.htm

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

Get away from the lights of the city and observe the stars at night. As you do, reflect upon Psalm 8, Psalm 19 and Isaiah 40. Join in with the universe and worship God.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing. Isaiah 40:26