Psalm 8:3 When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained.

Psalm 8:4 What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him? Psalm 8:5 For You have made him a little lower than the angels, And You have crowned him with glory and honor. Psalm 8:6 You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet,

Job 7:17 "What is man, that You should exalt him, That You should set Your heart on him, Job 7:18 That You should visit him every morning, And test him every moment?

When man considers creation and the vastness of the universe it has the affect of making us feel small and insignificant. The desired affect is however is to be balanced between grasping the importance of man as an element of God's creation as a whole, whom God desired to rule over His creation, while recognizing the immense responsibility of such a role. The attention given to the minutest details and in the complexity of their arrangement and beauty of its(creation of different components and the entirety of their sum) appearance. These considerations have the ability to keep us humble and sober minded.

Psalm 139:13-16 (NKJV)

13 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.

14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.

Hebrews 2:5 For He has not put the world to come, of which we speak, in subjection to angels. Hebrews 2:6 But one testified in a certain place, saying: "What is man that You are mindful of him, Or the son of man that You take care of him? Hebrews 2:7 You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, And set him over the works of Your hands. Hebrews 2:8 You have put all things in subjection under his feet." For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. Hebrews 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting for Him, for whom *are* all things and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹ For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified *are* all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren,

- Romans 3:23 (NKJV) ...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- Deuteronomy 4:5 "Surely I have taught you statutes and judgments, just as the Lord my God commanded me, that you should act according to them in the land which you go to possess.
- Deuteronomy 4:6 Therefore be careful to observe them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes, and say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.'

Deuteronomy 4:9 Only take heed to yourself, and diligently keep yourself, **lest you forget the things your eyes** have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. And teach them to your children and your grandchildren,

Deuteronomy 4:10 especially concerning the day you stood before the Lord your God in Horeb, when the Lord said to me, 'Gather the people to Me, and I will let them hear My words, that they may learn to fear Me all the days they live on the earth, and that they may teach their children.'

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Deuteronomy 4:12 And the Lord spoke to you out of the midst of the fire. You heard the sound of the words, but saw no form; you only heard a voice.

- Deuteronomy 4:15 "Take careful heed to yourselves, for you saw no form when the Lord spoke to you at Horeb out of the midst of the fire, Deuteronomy 4:16 lest you act corruptly and make for yourselves a carved image in the form of any figure: the likeness of male or female, Deuteronomy 4:17 the likeness of any animal that is on the earth or the likeness of any winged bird that flies in the air, Deuteronomy 4:18 the likeness of anything that creeps on the ground or the likeness of any fish that is in the water beneath the earth. Deuteronomy 4:19 And take heed, lest you lift your eyes to heaven, and when you see the sun, the moon, and the stars, all the host of heaven, you feel driven to worship them and serve them, which the Lord your God has given to all the peoples under the whole heaven as a heritage. Deuteronomy 4:20 But the Lord has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be His people, an inheritance, as you are this day.
- Genesis 1:26 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." Genesis 1:27 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Genesis 1:28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."
- **subdue** to make subordinate, dependent, or subservient.

In the likeness of God in having authority/dominion over creation, (although in a limited degree due to the fall) in having soul/eternal entity, having a will not acting on instinct-like animals

Jesus came to fulfill God's will and in so doing showed man what he had fallen from