

TALK IT OVER

What Has Your Awe?

BOTTOM LINE

When you lose your awe, you lose your way.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What's the most amazing, breathtaking sight you have ever seen?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily:
newpointe.org/thedaily
- [Spend Two Minutes with Our Awe-Inspiring Earth](#)
Sure to Inspire

VERSES AND QUOTES

Yes, they knew God, but they wouldn't worship him as God or even give him thanks. And they began to think up foolish ideas of what God was like. As a result, their minds became dark and confused. Claiming to be wise, they instead became utter fools. And instead of worshiping the glorious, ever-living God, they worshiped idols made to look like mere people and birds and animals and reptiles. ... They traded the truth about God for a lie. So they worshiped and served the things God created instead of the Creator himself, who is worthy of eternal praise! Amen. Romans 1:21-23, 25 NLT

"Awe is not optional, it is inevitable. The question is not, 'Do you have awe?' It is 'What has your awe?' If everything has your attention, nothing has your awe."

– Dwight Mason

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Awe is not optional. Everyone has it over something. When did you recently experience awe? Whatever captures your awe captures your attention, then your affection, then your life. We can understand that to some degree considering how we fall in love. Someone captures your attention, then your affection is involved, and before you know it your life is involved. How do you see that process working in a negative way? Romans 1:21-23, 25 describes the process. Once it gets to stage two (affection), it is extremely difficult to change it. Why? How do you recognize what has your awe? If what you notice indicates what has your awe, what does that say about you? (What excites you most? What do you most fear losing?) To correctly manage your awe, you must recognize what has it and then refocus it because what holds your attention shapes and forms you. How can you identify that in your own life to this point? Have there been times in your life when the wrong awe captured your attention? How did you change it? To refocus on what is truly worthy of our awe, we must remove all competing distractions. How do you identify a distraction? If everything has your attention, nothing has your awe. If your life is lacking in passion, it is probably full of distractions. Discuss this and how it impacts our walk with God, our relationships, marriage, etc. Awe demands a surrendered, obedient, realigned life. What is your most obvious obstacle to realigning and recovering awe?

ACTION STEP

The life God has for me and the life I want demands appropriate awe for God alone. I will grow my awe by _____