

OUR IGNORANCE PROVEN BY OUR WISDOM

I read recently that astronomers have discovered that the farthest known star is 13.7 trillion light years away. My first thought was—wow!—it takes intelligent men to be able to determine such a thing. Then I thought of God's wisdom in giving men the ability to learn something so complex simply to show us how far we are beneath holy God, who says, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa 55:9). Man may by our searching find out all systems of religion, all systems of philosophy and kingdoms of the earth, systems of the human body, of earth and sea, even of all solar systems. Yet, without God in grace giving us an understanding through faith of who God is and how he saves sinners by the finished work of Christ then no matter how high our thoughts, we are still at least 13.7 trillion light years short of God's glory.