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**Saints**, ever been amazed by the enormous beauty of mountains? Walked through a forest and been impressed by all the many different types and shapes of trees? Took an early morning stroll on a sandy beach; became teary eyed from witnessing a spectacular sunrise or thrilled by a late evening sunset with all its show of colors? Became romantically sentimental from hearing the roaring ocean howling over the sounds of a crackling night beach fire? Tremble in fascination at lightning flashing or shaken by thunder from heaven? (See David's account, Ps. 18:7-15).

This is God's "**Transcendence**" seen in nature's wonders to reinforce our belief that His presence exist apart from, and is not subject to the limitations of, the material universe. His "**Immanence**" means that in all His glory, it is still possible for us to experience His immediate friendship. Job speaks of God's intimate friendship (Job 29:4).

It is only when we understand the "Transcendence" of God that we see how amazing His "Immanence" is. What a **huge** privilege it is to be able to enjoy **intimate** friendship with God. In this month's J.D.E.M.L. Newsletter we examine the: "**Transcendence**" and "**Immanence!**" of God.

**Happy Springtime** to all from:

James Davis E.M.L. "DOOR POST" Newsletter Staff.  
**"WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE!"**

## THE DOOR POST SCRIPTURE:

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).

**"THE MOTTO: 'FAITH IT, 'TIL WE MAKE IT!"**



**THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter ■ Third Year**  
Jr. Mother Iris A. B. Barnett, BA, MS ■ Curator

**Transcendence and Immanence:** are two long words yet, what they mean to believers is quite clear and understandable. Through the "Transcendence" of God we see that He is above and beyond, surpassing and excelling greatly superior to us. Our God is incredibly great and powerful! He's able to dwell in nature, the universe, in time and in the souls of men. Understanding the Transcendence of God helps us know His immanence.

**God Is Powerful Enough To Help Us!** If we feel overwhelmed by anxieties and difficulties we are facing. If we doubt whether God has the power or the desire to help us. Remember Job and how he understood the "Transcendence" of God. He teaches us today that everything we see, with 2020 vision, of God's power in the natural world around us is only "the outer fringe of His works" (Job 27:11-12 NIV).

**God Loves Us Enough To Help:** God is not only powerful enough to help us; He also loves us enough to do so. Job understood the "Immanence" of God and experienced "God's intimate friendship" (29:4), where true wisdom is to be found. Fear here means having respect for God. It is in this respectful relationship with God that we find wisdom.

**Fear Of The Lord — That's Wisdom:** It's understanding that Jesus Christ is the wisdom of God. It is in an intimate friendship with Jesus that we find true wisdom. Job describes it's immense value: "Where can wisdom be found: ... It cannot be bought ... Nor can it's price be weighted ... God understands the way to it and He alone knows where it dwells...". "The fear (respect) of the Lord — this is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding" (Job 28:12, 15-28).

**What Kind Of Life Does This Lead To?** It lead to an insight to shun evil and to serve. A truly righteous life draws close, in daily presence, to God in intimate friendship. His concerns become our concerns. We will, like Job, desire to help the poor, the fatherless, the homeless, the widows, the disabled, the needy, the refugees and strangers. We want to rescue victims of injustice.

**Believers Can't Actually Loose:** God's intimate friendship, but we can loose the tangible feeling of it, as we go through our most appalling suffering. When we experience these moments, be encouraged by Job's and David's stories. **FINANCIAL SUPPORT IS WELCOME!**

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Library Hours: Sundays 11-11:30 AM  
NEW Article Deadline: 3rd Sundays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
PASTOR EUGENE COLLINS, III  
March 4TH



SEEK KINGDOM VISION:  
"TRANSCENDENCE AND IMMANENCE"  
OF GOD  
Pastor Eugene Collins, III

- \* **God's "Transcendence":** is His ability to be incredibly great and powerful over all creation! We are made powerful by His might. It's His.
- \* **By His Holy Spirit:** God's able to dwell in the souls of mankind. Welcome this power. We can be mighty over the evil reigning on earth.
- \* **We See Possibilities:** In impossible situations. God's transcended power gives us ideas that propel us beyond our limitations.
- \* **Let There Be:** God gives us "let there be" moments (Gen. 1:3) to make something happen out of nothing. God alone gives this, byway of our intimate relationship; Him and us working together. **We see beyond** what others see, see things differently and can work more creatively; so others can see Him (Ex. 35:31).
- \* **Stop looking to other things:** to increase power. God's "immanence" fills us, increases power in us, only He can transcend.
- \* **Immanent Love Relationship:** He is powerful beyond everything. Yet, He calls us friends.

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CONGRATUATIONS TO: Pastor Eugene and Gail Collins on their recent marriage.



## BLACK HISTORY CONTEST! "THE DOOR POST" Feature Article

### THE ANSWERS: African American History Changer:



1. Andrew Young, Jr. page one
2. Past USA 1st Lady Michelle Obama page two.



3. Attorney William Johnson page three.

### PAW: History Makers: Sharing The Past With Another Generation.



4. US Judge Sheila Turner Abdus-Salaam page four.

5. Dorothy Cotton page five.



6. Honorable John and Lillian Lewis page six.



**THINK IMAGE:** Power and Anger of our transcendent God! "... *God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, ... let the dry land appear; and it was. ... God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called He Seas; and God saw that it was good*" (Gen. 1:9-10). Pooled waters, seas, rivers, oceans, waterfalls, land, earth; all fitting, admirable, and approved as good by our mighty, powerful God.

**Anger** of our transcendent God! Is not malicious but is his personal reaction against sin. Believers can worship the transcendent God and love His awesome Presence. David said, ... the earth "**shook**" and "**trembled**," the "**foundations**"... the "**hills**" shook, because He was wroth. Out of the "**brightness**" of His "**presence**"... The LORD "**thundered**" from heaven; the voice of the Most High resounded (vv.7:12-13). Yet, David expresses his intimate friendship with God. "*I will love thee, O LORD, my strength. My rock... My fortress ... deliverer; ... whom I will trust; my buckler; ... horn of my salvation, and my high tower. I called, ... cried unto God; ... He heard;*" (Psalm 1:1-6). God's anger is the reverse side of His love.

**Ponder This Image:** Indignation against evil is an essential element of goodness. Understand the immense privilege of having an intimate friendship with the transcendent God.