

as large as ours, moulded into one, would not equal it in size,—and all the countless stars, so great that hundreds you see, like diamonds sparkling in the sky, are each much bigger than this world. “Who can understand all His mighty works?” No one can do so. “They are past finding out.” But you can understand this much of God Himself as to know, dear children, that He, the great Creator, is *your Father*.

God has not only made but also *preserves all living things*. Had you been born in the time of Adam and Eve, and had you lived on earth until now, and been every day travelling over it, you would know but very few of the millions of people in it. Yet God knows every person everywhere! He knows at this moment what all the angels and saints in Heaven, and Satan, the wicked one, and all his followers, are thinking about, and what is in your heart and the heart of every child in the World. He remembers, too, every word that any boy or girl ever spoke long ago in the streets of Nineveh, Babylon, or Jerusalem. He is also at this moment seeing and looking after the people of Africa, India, or America, in every Highland glen, in every city and village, and those who are wandering among the ice mountains near the North Pole, or sailing over the distant Ocean. He thus knows every one in the whole World, as well as all who have left the World since it was made and are alive somewhere else. In Him they all live, move, and have their being. “Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.” But it is true, and should make you glad, for God sees you, and knows you; He thinks of you, as if you were alone with Himself in the World, for this God is *your Father*.

God not only sees and preserves human beings who can love Him, but He is so great and good that *He takes care of all creatures great and small*. If any of us were to get a few birds and fish and a very few other animals of different kinds to feed and preserve, we would find how difficult it was to do this. But God, every day and hour, for thousands of years, feeds all the fish, big and little, in all the lakes, and rivers, and oceans of the World.—all the countless millions of beasts that roam over the Earth in burning deserts, dark forests, wild mountains, or among frost and snow,—all the endless flocks of birds that live on sea or land,—all the insects that creep or fly—all the creatures which are so small that thousands can live and move about in a spoonful of water. Yes! God sees and preserves them all! And this God is *your Father*, and says to you: “Behold the birds of the air, for they sow not, neither do they reap or gather into barns, yet *your Heavenly Father* feedeth them; are ye not