

Incomparable

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Isaiah 40:12-20

Thomas Moran's painting, The Chasm of the Colorado (1874-75), is massive—more than 12 feet long and 7 feet tall. It depicts the Grand Canyon during an approaching thunderstorm. It was purchased by the United States Congress for display in the Capitol building in Washington, D.C.

As effective and impressive as his painting may be, it pales in comparison to the subject. Moran wrote to his wife, "The whole gorge for miles lay beneath us and it was by far the most awfully grand and impressive scene that I have ever yet seen. A suppressed sort of roar comes up constantly from the chasm but with that exception everything impresses you with an awful stillness."

Only when you stand on the precipice and view that vast canyon, feel the wind, see the lightning, and hear the echoing thunder of an approaching storm can you begin to understand what Moran was trying to convey. In the same way, it is only in a personal encounter with the sovereign Lord, by faith, that you will begin to understand His incomparable greatness.

*<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/canyon/peopleevents/pandeAMEX04.html>

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