THE TREASURES OF THE SNOW

TEXT: Job 38:22: Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail.

Isaiah 55:10: For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from Heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater.

INTRODUCTION:

Many now-known facts of Science were written in the Bible before men of Science recognized them in nature. There is no other book ever written of which this supernatural feature can be said. The Bible stands alone of all other ancient religious writings of antiquity in this matter of scientific accuracy. The subject before us is a case in point.

No modern chemist knew the secret TREASURES hidden in the snow until Dr. Frank T. Shutt of the Dominion of Canadian Department of Agriculture, published the results of his 17 years of research about the financial worth of SNOW and HAIL. He discovered they deposit upon the land four kinds of chemical fertilizers, namely:

Free Ammonia, Nitrates, Nitrites, and Albuminoid Ammonia.



Their chemical worth to the soil in farming is about \$35.00 per acre in fertilizer. How could this ancient writer Job, writing 4,000 years ago, know what modern scientists have recently discovered? The God of Heaven Who spoke to Job in the force of a question knew what He was talking about. The Lord selected the key word "TREASURES" to describe the valuable content of SNOW and HAIL.

Job 37:5-6:

- ⁵ God thundereth marvellously with His voice; great things doeth He, which we cannot comprehend.
- ⁶ For He saith to the snow, Be thou on the earth; likewise to the small rain, and to the great rain of His strength.

God speaks and it is done. Try to imagine, for a moment if you will, how many

millions of billions of snow crystals can fall upon an acre of ground in an hour's time. Then capture some of those crystals, and find that each one bears an individuality all of its own. The design and pattern of each is without duplication and beautiful to behold.

A pioneer explorer of the wintry wonderland, the late Wilson A. Bentley of

Jericho, Vermont, laid the world under a lasting debt of gratitude for his very remarkable achievements in the field of "PHOTOMICROGRAPHY". He succeeded in photographing — through a microscope — over 5,000 exquisite pictures of these beautiful structures. His classic work, SNOW CRYSTALS, arranged by W. J. Humphreys, did a great deal to popularize interest in snow.





Reference Encyclopedia Britannica vol. 20 page 854-855 provides us with some of the remarkable design in snow crystals. They are absolutely amazing, truly the handiwork of the amazing Creator of this universe. When Wilson A Bentley was asked; "How can you account for this remarkable uniformity of pattern in the snowflakes?" He could only reply: "Of course, no one knows but God."

A heavy snowfall in the northern states, filling our roads with drifts, may seem to be a great nuisance and inconvenience. But snow is a part of God's providence in nature and is very useful for the following reasons:

- It's covering of the ground prevents the strong winds from blowing away topsoil.
- Snow forms an insulating blanket which helps to retain the earth's heat. Tests that have been made of the temperature at the bottom of a snow drift show that it is as much as 30° warmer than at the surface.



- A heavy snowfall is insurance for a good crop of hay, wheat, fruit, and vegetables. It puts four chemicals in the soil, particularly nitrogen.
- In most parts of the country, snow is an important source of moisture.

• The air we exhale is contaminated and, being heavier than clean air, settles down to the ground where it is assimilated by the snow.

THE TREASURES OF THE SNOW is not merely poetic language discovered in

The Word of God. For out of the mind of God up yonder in the heavens falls this glorious wealth, all stamped with our Maker's image and superscription. The miracle snowflakes did not come by chance, nor their design by accident. Any unbeliever might argue that the first snowflake is by accident, but catch a thousand more and the argument for chance is destroyed. Intellectuals do not like to use the word chance, so they doctor up the term by calling it a "fortuitous concourse of atoms". The Author of this



universe does not use sophisticated language in describing those who deny His existence and craftsmanship which is everywhere displayed.

I hope it is beginning to dawn on any or all atheists, infidels, or agnostics into whose hands these facts may fall, as to why God pronounces him to be a "FOOL who says: 'There is no God'."

Psalms 53:1: The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good.

The evidence is everywhere, evident, and staggering in its multiplied forms. God saw to it that these were provided so that you may know — beyond a shadow of doubt — that HE IS, and beside Him there is no other."

Isaiah 44:6: Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and His Redeemer the LORD of Hosts; I am the First, and I am the Last; and beside Me there is no God.

Isaiah 45:5-6:

⁵ I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside Me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known Me:

⁶ That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside Me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

A close examination of the snowflakes under the microscope reveals the fact that:

Each one is perfect, absolutely perfect: and in this the snowflake differs

from every other masterpiece of mankind.

We further note an infinite variety of these flakes of snow. Des Cartes announced that he had discovered 93 various forms or patterns.

The words had scarcely fallen from his lips before another declared he had found 900. All of these are patterned under a common LAW, and under that LAW are uniform. How can we account for this? Chance is ruled out by the evidence before our eyes. Where did this LAW originate? Law is usually supposed to suggest a LAWGIVER. If you are an unbeliever and would ask us to believe in a LAW like this with all its marvelous manifestations and no one behind it, we would be forced to smile. Yes, you may smile at our faith and call it credulity; but here is the handiwork of our God, our Creator, and our Redeemer. We must conclude:



It would take a greater credulity than ours to believe that all this merely happened by chance.

Our faith rests on FACTS, and here is another example that you may know the certainty of our FAITH. You can't get rid of facts by denying them. There is a sign in an IBM executive's office which reads: "If you don't get the facts, the FACT WILL GET YOU." King Solomon brings out the importance of learning the FACTS before you answer when he said:

Proverbs 18:13: He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

I have counted it a pleasure to share this message with you, and especially you who have been fed on unbelief from your school days through your college years by atheistic teachers or professors. What light God has shown on my pathway. I desire to share with you so you will not come up short on that Great Day when we appear before the God of this universe.

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