



The Great Exhibition

June 30, 2024

The heavens declare the *glory of God*, and the sky above proclaims *his handiwork*. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night *reveals knowledge*. There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard. *Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.*

Psalm 19:1-4

God's invisible attributes, namely, his *eternal power* and *divine nature*, have been *clearly perceived*, ever since the creation of the world, *in the things that have been made.*

Romans 1:20

Then God said, "Let *US* make man *in OUR image*"...

Genesis 1:26

What theologians call *perichoresis* in Greek means that the Father, Son, and Spirit are *more united than anything we can imagine.*

"The *most terrible poverty* is *loneliness*, and the feeling of being unloved. The great tragedy of life is not hunger or disease, but to feel *unwanted.*"

— **Mother Teresa**

All my *intimate friends* *abhor me*, and those whom I loved have turned against me.

Job 19:19

My brothers are as *undependable* as *intermittent streams*, as the streams that overflow.

Job 6:15

Even *my close friend* in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, *has lifted his heel against me.*

Psalm 41:9

Loneliness is different than isolation and solitude. Loneliness is a subjective feeling where the connections we need are greater than the connections we have. In the gap, we experience loneliness.

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Loneliness is a reality for too many people in our society today... *it can affect anyone of any age and background* — people who have *no one to talk to or share their thoughts and experiences with.*

Theresa May, 2018

According to the government's research, *about 200,000 people* in the country *have not had a conversation with a friend or a relative in over a month.*

A British commission found that nearly *nine million people* in the country either *often, or always, feel loneliness.*

A 2017 report by the New Economics Foundation found that *loneliness costs U.K. employers \$3.4 billion per year* in employee health problems, productivity losses and staff turnover.

Given the significant health consequences of loneliness and isolation, we must prioritize building social connection the same way *we have prioritized other critical public health issues such as tobacco, obesity, and substance use disorders.*

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- 29% increased risk of heart disease.
- 32% increased risk of stroke.
- 50% increased risk of developing dementia for older adults.
- Increases risk of premature death by more than 60%, worse than smoking 15 cigarettes daily.

Japan's Health Ministry revealed that 20,919 people died by suicide in 2020.

If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom *all mysteries* and *all knowledge*, and if I have a *faith that can move mountains*, but *have not love*, I am *nothing*.

1 Corinthians 13:2

No one has seen God at any time; except the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has EXPLAINED him.

John 1:18

"How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that *I am IN the Father* and the *Father is IN me*?"

John 14:10-11

I and the Father *are ONE*.

John 10:30

My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that *ALL* of them *may be ONE*, Father, *JUST AS* you are *in me* and I am *in you*.

John 17:20-21

May they also be *in US* ...

John 17:21

I pray ... that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us *SO THAT* the *world may believe that you have sent me*.

John 17:20-21