

God wants to write the story of our life, so why do we keep trying to take the pen from his hand?

Imagine our world before GPS when folded maps or an atlas were our navigation devices. If you were fortunate to spend any part of your childhood in a rural setting, travel coordinates may have sounded like, "Take the blacktop until you pass the red barn and take the next right. From there, go past the lake where we used to go frog gigging. Then take the second gravel road on the left, and it's the first house without cows or horses in the field."

Most of our days are spent with devices that control our lives, which is a far cry from communication options that existed years and centuries ago.

From using colored stone on cave walls, advancing to quills with ink wells and parchment paper, to notebooks and pencils or pens, to a keyboard and AI, which I am typing this article, the messages may change, but the passion, intent, or fervor seldom change.

The evolution of writing instruments is not limited, nor is the method that God will use to communicate and write our future.

My first thought of God writing our future, my memory, brought forth a cartoonish scene from a Monty Python movie of a large hand descending from the clouds, changing the landscape or wiping out the enemy.

It may play well for humor but does not present reality.

We see the hand of God in everything which surrounds us, if that is where our focus may be.

Trees, sky, sunrise and sunsets, oceans, mountains, stars, and grains of sand on the beaches.

Isaiah 33:17, "Your eyes will see the king in his beauty and view a land that stretches afar."

The emotions we feel will often override facts.

If there were lines to two booths, one offering a shiny new object and the other offering truth, the first would be miles long, and the second would have immediate access.

Romans 3:4, "Not at all! Let God be true, and every man a liar."

In sales, a transfer of goods or services is exchanged for something of value. All elements may be logical and sensible on paper, but if emotions are not involved, no transaction will occur.

As the saying goes, "You gotta be Red Hot to get them lukewarm."

God writes our story through the emotions we feel from what our minds can conceive through the sights we see, the things we hear, and the events that cause us to feel.

Our human mind lends itself to an instrument or device, but God uses everything in his beautiful world.

If a natural response falls into the category, "I am not God, so how am I supposed to see the world through His eyes?"

True. None of us are God. But didn't Jesus speak in parables so each could understand what God wanted us to comprehend and experience the emotion that would initiate the action?

2 Corinthians 3:4-6, "Such confidence we have through Christ before God. Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life."

God directs us to serve Him, which is our roadmap for our life. He empowers us with facts and THE truth and gives us the confidence to stand firm through adversity.

Satan creates doubt through lies. The Shiny Object of Desire is for those who do not want eternal truth but settle for a short-lived emotional rush.

God gives us every resource to write the most incredible story.

Take Them.

Use Them.

Enjoy Them.

No thesaurus is needed to write about your incredible, amazing, astounding, awe-inspiring, fabulous, glorious, or wonderful life.

God is our editor.

Vivat Jesu.