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At Home in Eternity



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Through the Psalms
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> Before the mountains were born
> or you brought forth the earth and the world,
> from everlasting to everlasting you are
> God. . . .
> For a thousand years in your sight
> are like a day that has just gone by,
> or like a watch in the night.
> (Psalm 90:2, 4)

There is a difference between time and eternity – a difference of kind, not merely of duration. The mountains were born. The earth and the world were brought forth. All that is in the past tense. But when the psalmist turns to God he says, "From everlasting to everlasting you *are* God." Not, "You *were* God," but, "You *are* God." In God past, present and future all meet. He is and He was and He is to come (Revelation 1:4).

God does not indwell time, He indwells eternity. Eternity is not just a very long period of time; it is a different mode of being. It is something from another world, something higher than time. With God it is always, "You are." His very name is I am (Exodus 3:14).

From the serenity and heights of eternity God beholds time. From that viewpoint, a thousand years with God are just like a day that has gone by, or a watch in the night. The night in biblical times was divided into four watches of three hours each. So a thousand years with God is like three hours that have passed in our experience.

God invites each of us to know Him personally, and He thus opens a door for us out of time into eternity. In our physical being, we are still confined within the limits of time, but our spirits find their true dwelling place in eternity.

"Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent" (John 17:3).

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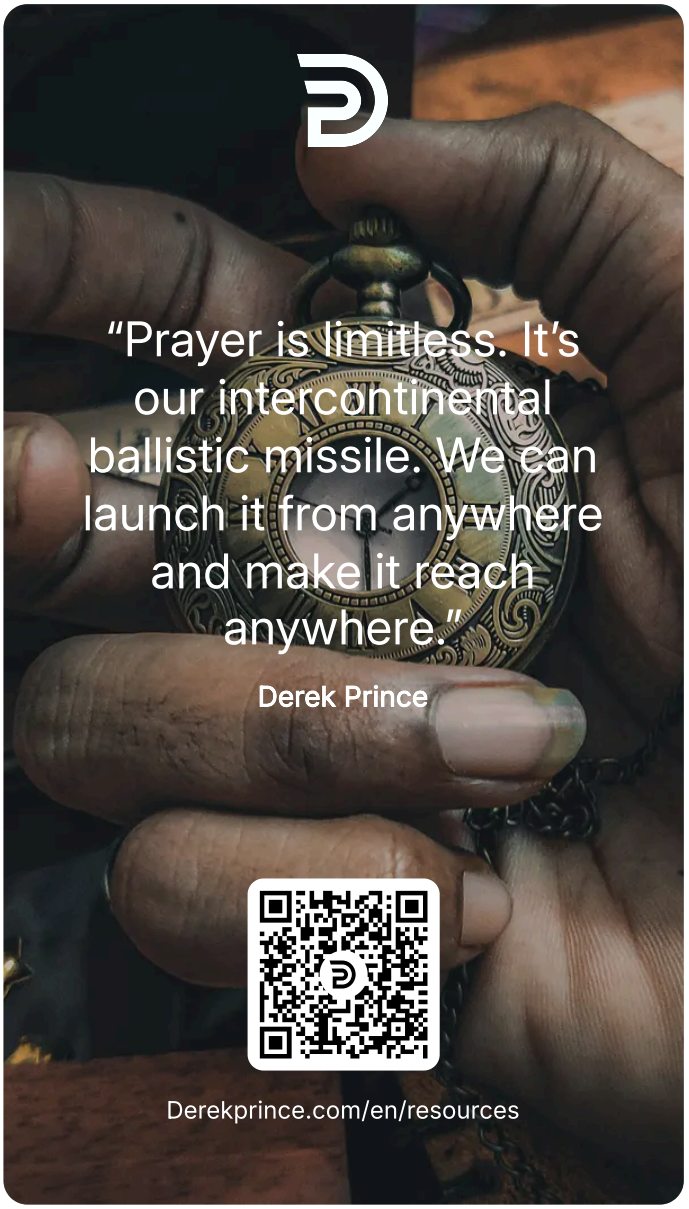

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