## Be intelligent!

"I speak as to wise (intelligent) men; judge what I say." (1 Corinthians 10:15) ...the Lord give you understanding in all things (2 Timothy 2:7).

"The invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse" (Romans 1:20). Here is a picture worth more than a thousand words:



This picture of a mandarin duck of particular beauty (in colour on our screens) is the living proof, to our God given intelligence, of an unequalled designer truly perceivable although invisible!

But there is much more! He manifested Himself down here on earth and was seen and heard by thousands so that His moral beauty could be perceived though now invisible to human eyes. Speaking of the Lord Jesus, John the apostle wrote:"*we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth*" (John 1:14). This One, whom men saw and touched, we hated, smote and spit upon! But He implored forgiveness for us when He said:"*Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do*" (Luke 23:34). You, however, know what you are doing!

"God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4). For this, He delivered his own Son to the torments of the cross! "Wherefore be ye not unwise (without intelligence), but understanding what the will of the Lord is" (Ephesians 5:17).

Our natural intelligence makes us responsible to answer God's calling. If the view of creation leaves us without excuse before Him, how much greater our peril in refusing what God has provided in his goodness through the work of his only Son, the Lord Jesus. "He that believes on the Son has everlasting life: and he that believes not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abides on him" (John 3:36). Be intelligent: believe!

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