

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



TETHERED TO GOD'S LOVE

A couple of weeks ago, while wandering around Illuminate Adelaide amid all the sparkling, many-coloured light displays, this one stood out as unique, intriguing and thought-provoking. Not so much about the creation itself, which I truly enjoyed, but it raised questions about the relationship between the Earth and the Moon. Standing there, a strange thought hit me. If Jesus stood here, would he say, "The relationship between you and God my Father is like the Moon and the Earth!"

In reality, the Moon is not tied to Earth by a rope but by gravity, an invisible but powerful force.

For those who are willing, God tethers them to himself by his love, an invisible force so powerful it can break the pull of gravity and go with man where no man had gone.

Jim Owen of the Apollo 15 mission and the first user of the Lunar Rover talked about the most

remarkable thing about the moonshot, for him at least, was the odd and quite surprising feeling he experienced while on the Moon—"something that none of his technical training had prepared him for." What he felt was "an overwhelming sense of the presence of God." "It was a strange feeling," Irwin said. "Almost from the time we landed, and all the way back, I was acutely aware of a holy presence."

Five other astronauts have told of their faith and trust in God as they travelled through space. More impressive than travelling across space, this powerful love can and does change lives and attitudes. It can take a life where one feels lost in a black void of hopelessness and despair, where even if one screams, no one will hear, and it is like living in and screaming into a vacuum, to a life of hope, joy and fulfilment.

This tethering love of God can take an attitude of hate and "getting even" to one of forgiveness, care and nurture.

That feeling of being attached to the forgiving and caring love from the God of the Bible is available and free to anyone who admits they need help and tell Him, "Thank you, I want your love in my life. I want your love to lead, challenge, and help me have life in fullness."

Even if, at times, you wander and feel you are drifting away from the orbit of God's love, He does not give up. Like space, his love is never-ending.

God bless,
Kevin.

www.crosswalk.com/faith/men/astronauts-who-trusted-science-and-god.html.