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"The little church with a big heart"

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The 134th Letter of Lee to the Olivet Church

According to recent reports, groundhogs will not be the only focus of scientists on Friday February 2nd, although I wonder if we should make a bigger deal of Groundhog Day at Olivet since so many of them reside in our field. Nevertheless, NASA has reported that on groundhog day a football field sized asteroid is projected to come a little too close for comfort to earth. This has the attention of those who study and monitor activities taking place in outer space. Apparently, it isn't uncommon for asteroids to pass by earth, but it isn't typical for one to be as close to us as the one predicted to pass by on Friday. The last time an asteroid of such a size came that comparably close to Earth was a hundred years ago. That's kind of exciting and a little startling too.

Knowledge of events like asteroids flying by the planet where we live certainly serves as a reminder of how small and finite we ultimately are. I appreciate any occasion to recall verses from Psalm 8, "When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?" (Psalm 8:3-4, English Standard Version).

It is our privilege to worship and serve this majestic and mighty God who controls the weather (no matter what the groundhog does) and the moon and stars. It is true and it is amazing that while He orders the motions of the universe, He also knows you by name and the number of hairs on your head.

He has made us to be capable of doing great things. Yet nothing we can do now and nothing we will ever do in the future can come close to what the one who oversees the universe is able to do. Be encouraged that His plan for the world will ultimately come to pass. Be at peace knowing His plan is for the good of those who love Him, who are called for His purposes.

Grace and Peace,