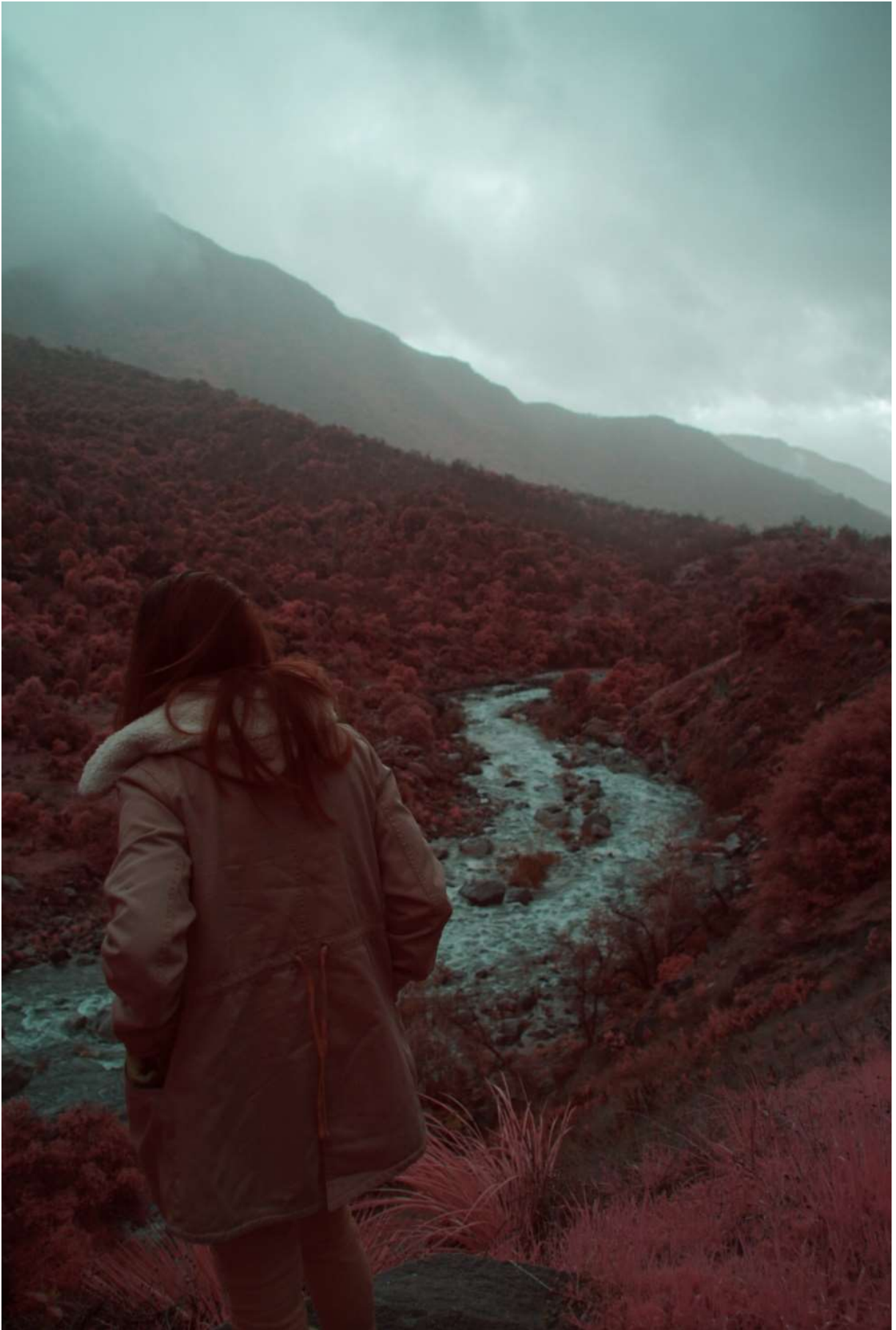
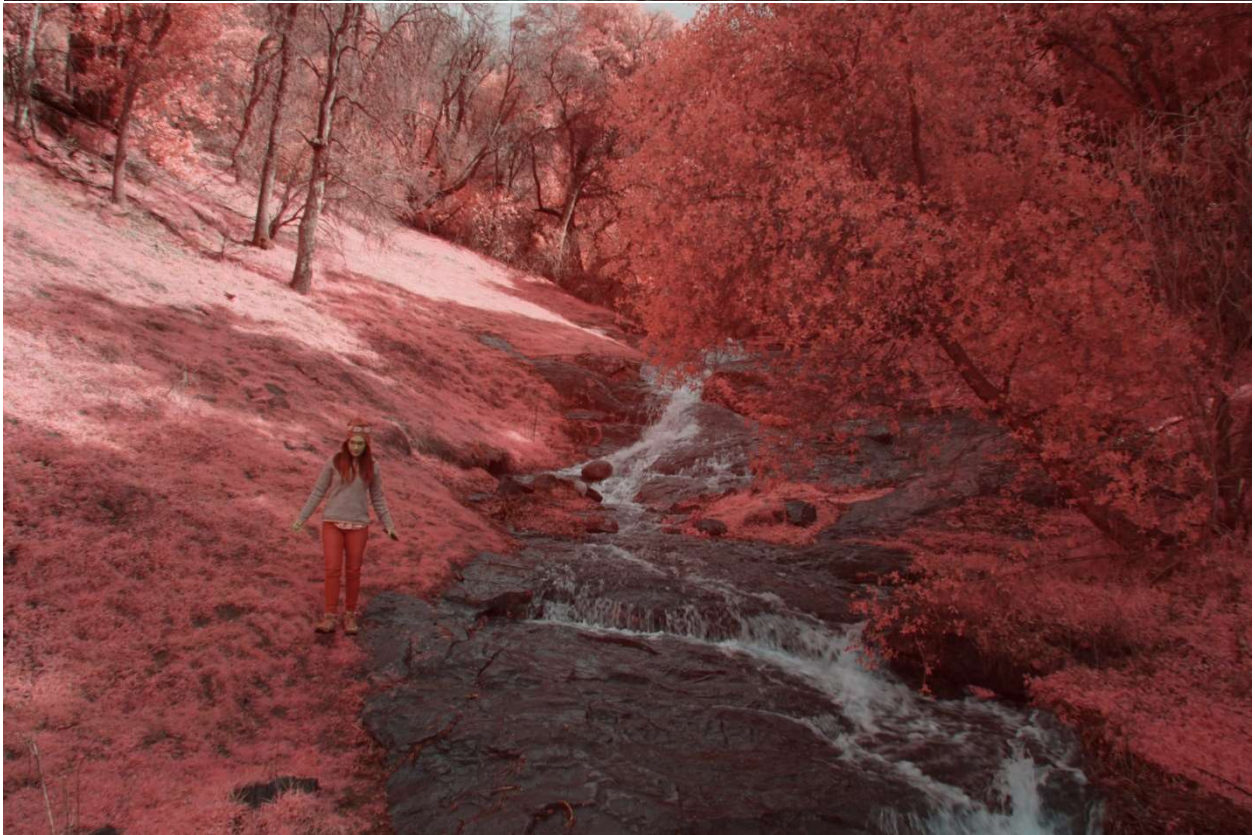


# A Land Before Time

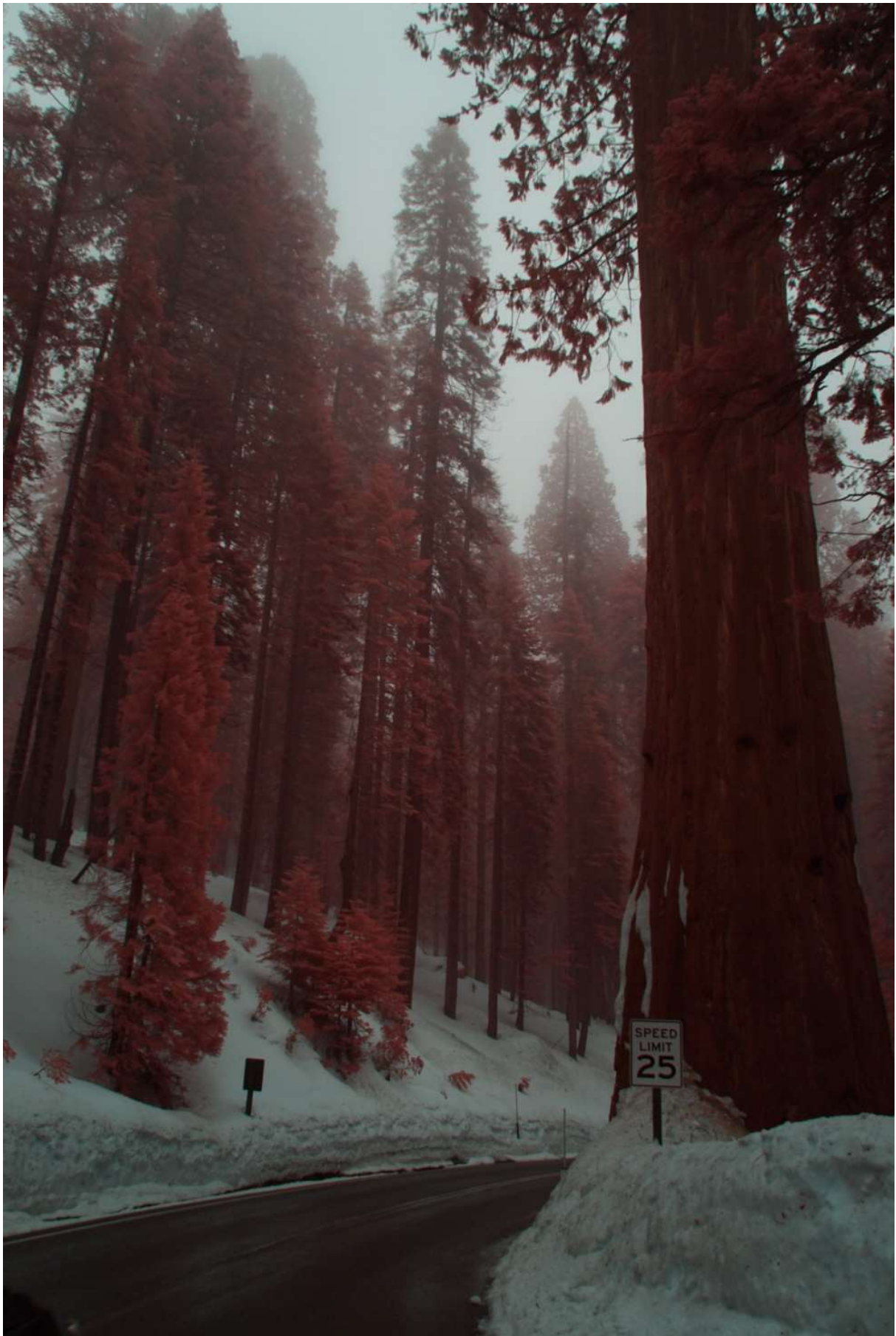


Sequoia National Park and Kings Canyon National Park have some of the oldest trees and plants still on this earth. My fiancé and I visited in an off season for these parks (and later realized why). This is our journey to see some of the oldest trees known to man, during a time of year that most people would not visit, winter. There is a surrealism to seeing these trees surrounded by nothing but white snow, several feet deep at times. There are land formations here that have been etched away by water and growth over the course of many millennia.





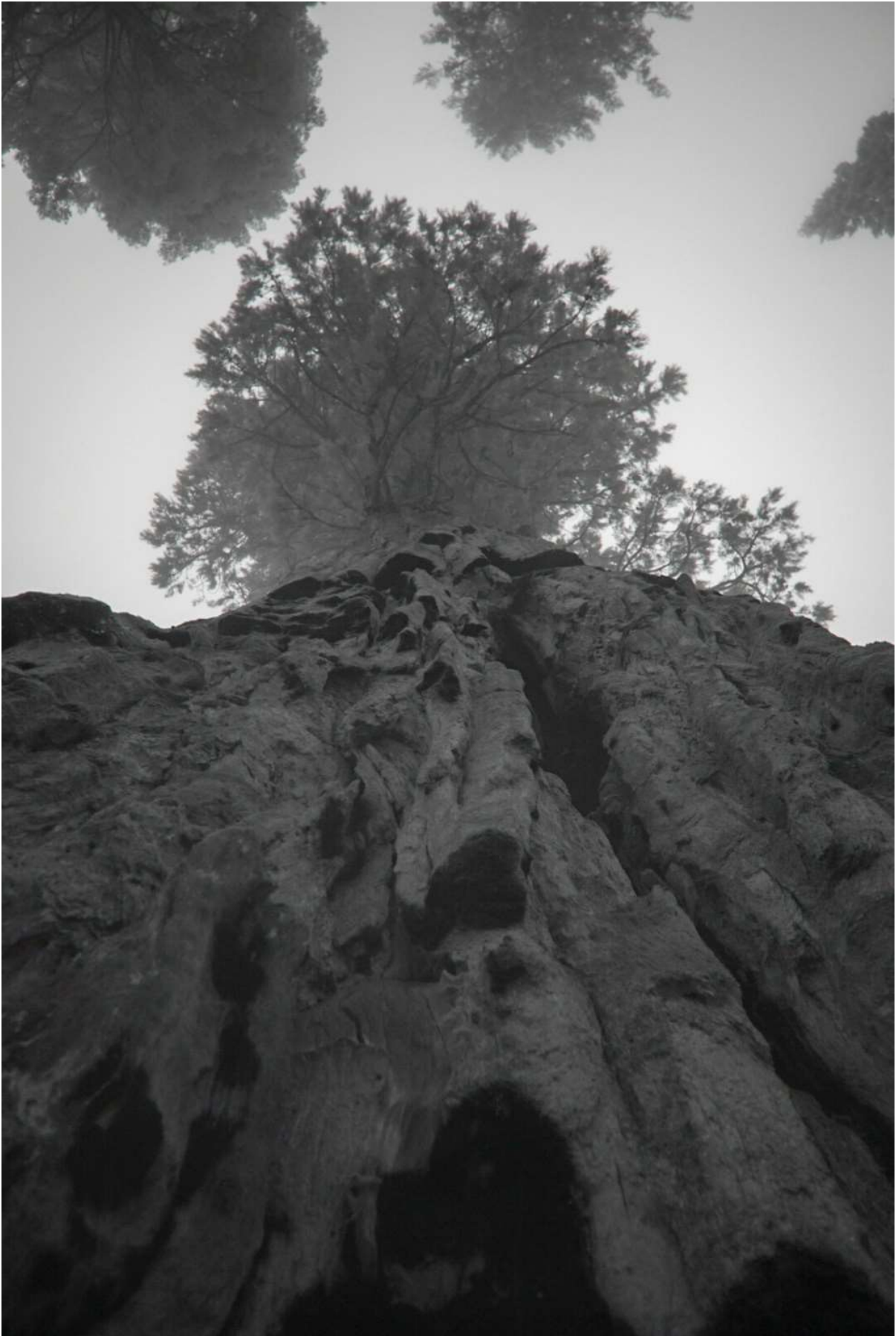




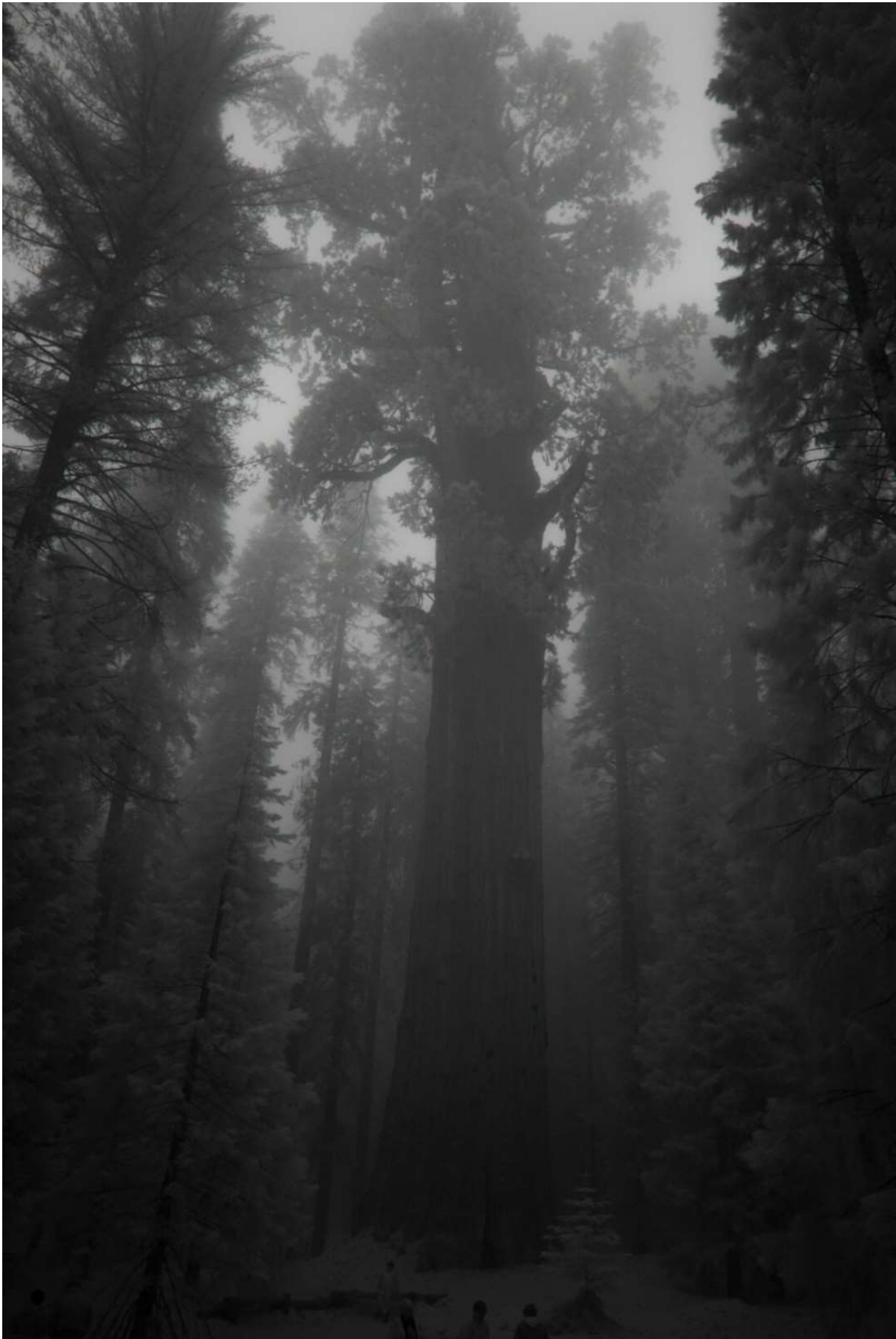




Even with the snow and fog blanketing the mountain, we could still see the incredible power and effects of infrared light.



Looking up at these prehistoric creations, you cannot help but feel how small you are in this giant world and universe.



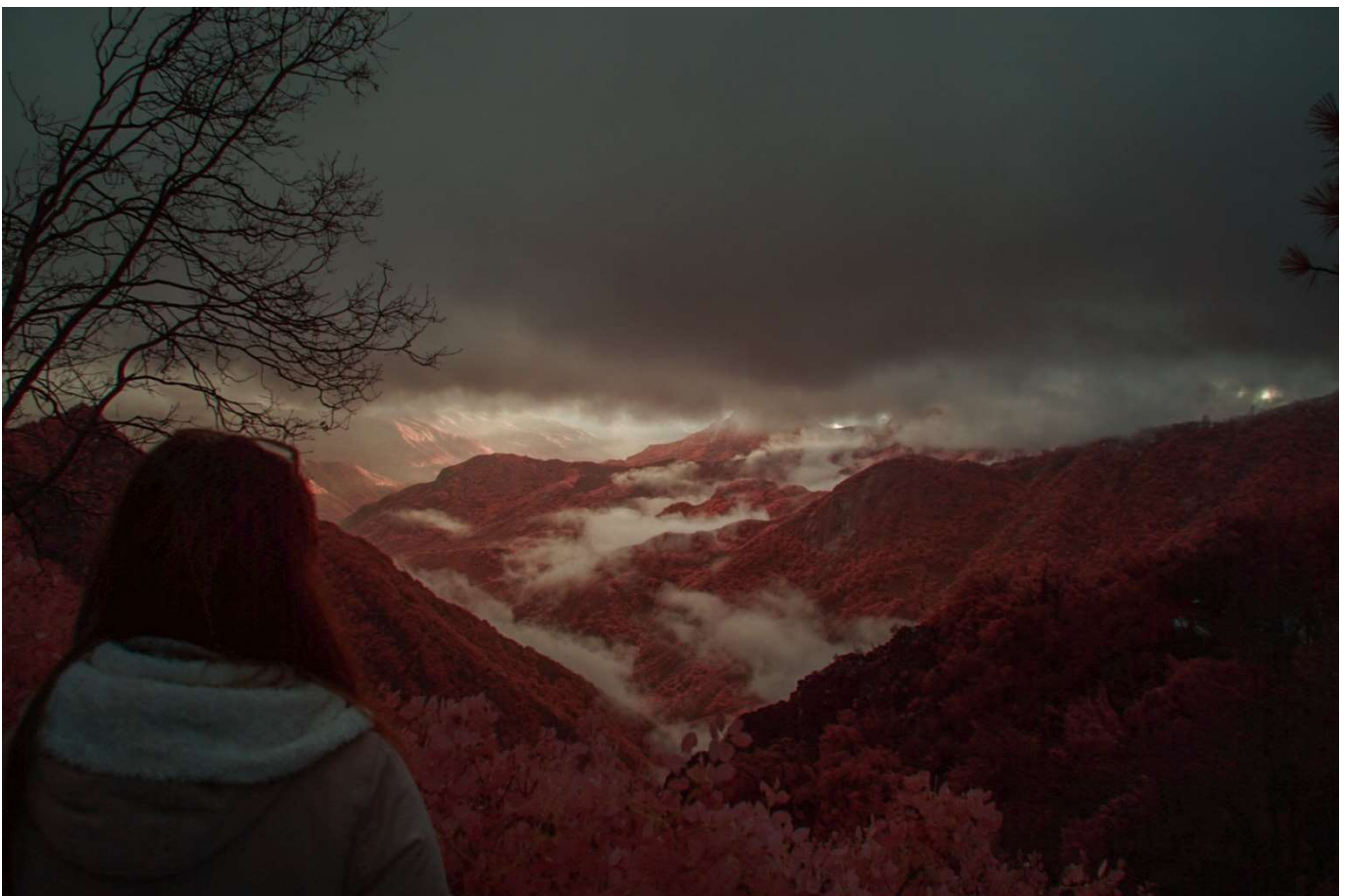
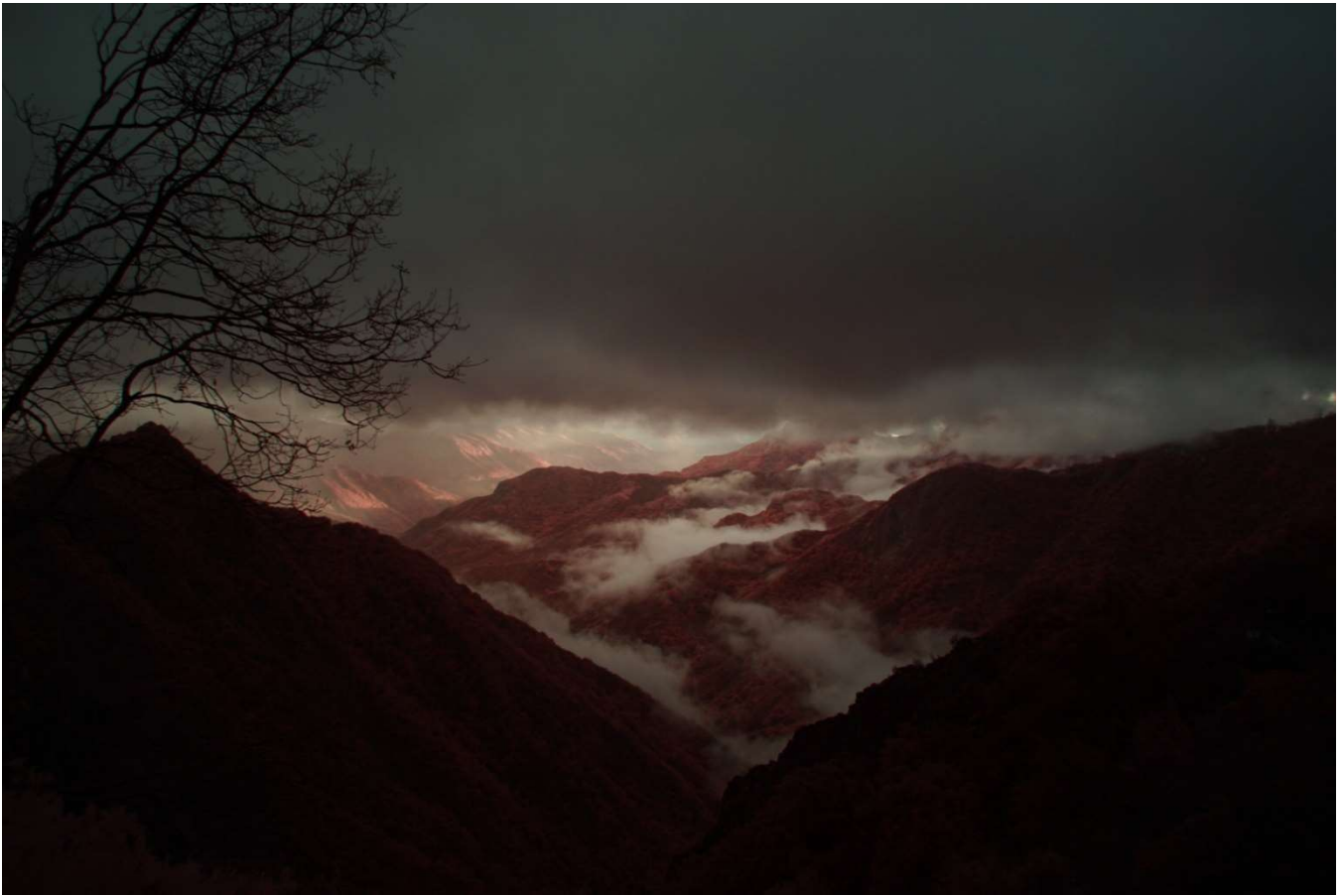
The grandest, and oldest of them all, the General Sherman. A photo cannot do it justice, even the looking at the size of the people at the bottom cannot even begin to give it scale. Truly something that must be seen in person to understand.





And yet even in the grandest of locations, the smallest and simplest things are still seen, water droplets on a branch.





The sunsets over Sequoia National Park and Kings Canyon National Park are worth the stop and a great way to end your day.