

1 Who Is God?
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3 Part Eight in the Series
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5 CONCLUSION
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8 Just a short review here on God's nature and personality:
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- 10 1. God has a multi-faceted personality. To consider only one and think it's the
11 “whole” leads to heresy. Many know Him as the God of Love, which He certainly
12 is. But He is also a God of wrath.
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- 14 2. God knows all things: immediately, simultaneously, exhaustively and truly. A fact
15 has never suddenly “dawned on Him.” He has always known.
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- 17 3. He is sovereign. Psalm 115:3
18 *But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.*
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- 20 4. God speaks: Genesis 1:3
21 *And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.*
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- 23 5. God communicates with mankind, primarily through His written Word.
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- 25 6. God sees. Genesis 11:5
26 *And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of*
27 *men builded.*
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- 29 7. God hears. Psalm 94:9
30 *He that planted the ear, shall he not hear? he that formed the eye, shall he*
31 *not see?*
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- 33 8. God is compassionate. Psalm 111:4
34 *He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and*
35 *full of compassion.*
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- 37 9. God is omnipresent - everywhere. Psalm 139:7-12
38 *Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? [8]*
39 *If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou*
40 *art there. [9] If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts*

1 *of the sea; [10] Even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold*
2 *me. [11] If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light*
3 *about me. [12] Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as*
4 *the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.*

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6 10. God is omniscient - all-knowing. Psalm 147:5

7 *Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.*

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9 11. God is omnipotent - all-powerful. Matthew 28:18

10 *And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in*
11 *heaven and in earth. Jesus said, "If you have seen me you have seen the*
12 *Father."*

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14 John 14:9

15 *Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not*
16 *known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest*
17 *thou then, Shew us the Father?*

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19 12. God does not change. He is immutable. James 1:17

20 *Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the*
21 *Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.*

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THE PRIMARY ATTRIBUTE OF GOD IS HIS HOLINESS
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27 King Uzziah reigned in Jerusalem for 52 years and was known as "a good king." When
28 he died in 739 B.C., there was great mourning across the land. It resulted in this
29 expression from the prophet Isaiah:

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31 Isaiah 6: 1-5

32 *In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and*
33 *lifted up, and his train filled the temple. [2] Above it stood the seraphims: each one*
34 *had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and*
35 *with twain he did fly. [3] And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the*
36 *Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. [4] And the posts of the door moved*
37 *at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.*

1 ***[5] Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and***
2 ***I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the***
3 ***Lord of hosts.***

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5 The essence of holiness is divine moral, mental and spiritual health. When God
6 commands, “Be ye holy!” (I Peter 1: 16), we learn his desire for us is health. This is a
7 fantastic promise by God to each of His children.

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9 Isaiah reported the cry of the mighty seraphim: “Holy, holy, holy!” Unlike some of
10 today's pulpits, they did not cry, “Money, money, money! But if they really preached
11 God's holiness, their mail responses money-wise would be cut greatly. One of their chief
12 spokesmen told me the income would be cut in half.

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14 But God is holy! Tozer wrote that “He is holy absolutely - and all His other attributes
15 must be thought of as that. Holy is a word from the Anglo-Saxon HALIG which means
16 WELL or WHOLE.”

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18 13. God is a spirit, as opposed to a corporeal body. Luke 24:39
19 ***Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit***
20 ***hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.***

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22 I have sometimes heard well-meaning saints claim, “When I get to Heaven, I'm going to
23 run and jump in God's lap and just hug Him and hug Him.” Not true. For one thing, Rev.
24 4:5

25 ***And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there***
26 ***were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.***

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28 Some professing saints who don't know the Word think of God has nothing more than
29 “The Man Upstairs.” Or “God is my Copilot.” Wrong on all counts. He is GOD.

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31 14. God is righteous and just. This is seen in His treatment of people. 2 Chron. 12:6
32 ***Whereupon the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they***
33 ***said, The Lord is righteous.***

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35 Isaiah 45:21
36 ***Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared***
37 ***this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the Lord? and there***
38 ***is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.***

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1 Rev. 16:5

2 *And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and*
3 *wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.*

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5 Plus there are many more verses such as these to support the reality of God's
6 righteousness and justice.

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8 14. GOD'S DECREES

9 This section could also be titled God's purposes. Let it be clear that God does not
10 change these to fit with the times. They are eternal. That which God proposes
11 now, He proposed from the very beginning of time. He does not make them alter
12 to fit the whims of mankind. What God was in Genesis, He remains in Revelation.

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14 What is the foundation or basis for these purposes? To bring about glory to Himself.
15 **GOD DOES NOT EXIST TO MAKE US HAPPY; RATHER WE EXIST TO MAKE**
16 **HIM HAPPY.**

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18 Paul taught this principle thousands of years ago: Romans 8:28

19 *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who*
20 *are the called according to his purpose.*

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22 The Apostle John lived and pastored in this great city of Ephesus, Turkey, for many years. John wrote the Gospel
23 of John, I, II and III John and the classic book of Revelation. He successfully pastored the Pentecostal church here
24 for decades. The grave of Mary, Jesus' mother, is also located here. The picture shows the facade of the famed
25 Library of Celsus located in the market place, just a stone's throw from the theater, seating over 20,000, where the
26 Ephesians rioted in favor of their goddess Diana, whose temple was one of the seven ancient wonders of the world.
27 This historic building was constructed about 50 years after the martyrdom of Paul.
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1 John gave us so much precious information about the care and love of God for
2 His chosen:

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4 1 John 4:9-11
5 ***In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only***
6 ***begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. [10) Herein is love, not***
7 ***that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our***
8 ***sins. [11] Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.***

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10 The more we learn about our Heavenly Father, the more we love Him and seek to please
11 Him in all our ways.

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13 We also gladly obey His directives to us, realizing that those very commands are there to
14 enhance our lives. He seeks our good, the fullest of lives, and the riches of eternity.

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