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Sunday, January 29, 2012

**“WHAT IS GOD LIKE?”**

(Genesis 1:1)

The Bible, God’s Word, tells us what God is like and what He is not like. Without the authority of the Bible, any attempt to explain God’s attributes would be no better than an opinion. What can we learn?

**POPULAR MYTHS ABOUT GOD:**

**Myth #1: God exists only in \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Myth #2: God is who we \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Myth #3: God is not \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Myth #4: God is \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Myth #5: A loving God will send \_\_\_\_\_.**

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*“After the Lord had finished speaking to Job, he said to Eliphaz the Temanite: “I am angry with you and your two friends, for you have not spoken accurately about me, as my servant Job has” (Job 42:7, NLT).*

*“You shall have no other gods before Me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me” (Exodus 20:3-5, NASB).*

**POPULAR MYTHS ABOUT GOD:**

**Myth #1: God exists only in man’s imagination.**

**Myth #2: God is who we determine Him to be.**

*“the same today, yesterday, and forever. He does not change”(Hebrews 13:8, NIV).*

**Myth #3: God is not involved with man.**

*“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?” (Matthew 6:25-27, NIV).*

**Myth #4: God is harsh and oppressive.**

*This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not*

*that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” (1 John 4:9-10, NIV).*

**Myth #5: A loving God will send no one to Hell.**

*“Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.” (John 3:18, NIV).*

**WHAT IS GOD LIKE?**

God is **ETERNAL**.

*“Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen” (1 Timothy 1:17, NIV).*

God is **IMMUTABLE**

God is **INCOMPARABLE**.

*“For this reason You are great, O Lord GOD; for there is none like You, and there is no God besides You” (2 Samuel 7:22, NASB).*

God is **JUST**.

God is **OMNIPOTENT**.

*“Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: ”Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns” (Revelation 19:6, NIV).*

God is **OMNIPRESENT**.

*“Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast” (Psalm 139:7-10, NIV).*

God is **OMNISCIENT**.

*“O LORD, you have searched me and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you know it completely, O LORD. You hem me in—behind and before; you have laid your hand upon me”* (Psalm 139:7-13, NIV).

God is **ONE**.

God is **RIGHTEOUS**.

God is **SOVEREIGN**.

*“The LORD reigns, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and is armed with strength. The world is firmly established; it cannot be moved”* (Psalm 93:1, NIV).

God is **SPIRIT**.

God is a **TRINITY**.

God is **TRUTH**.

God is **HOLY**.

God is **GRACIOUS**.