

SOMETHING GOD DOES NOT KNOW

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What you believe about God forms your faith. There is no one who doesn't have any faith for everyone has one kind of faith or another. To be a Christian you need faith. To be a Muslim you need faith. To be a Hindu you need faith. ... Even an atheist must have a faith not to believe!

What you believe about God also determines how you behave. If you believe He has no control over you and you are not answerable to Him, you live as you choose without any sense of responsibility to a higher power. At the other end of the spectrum, you might have a fear of a terrible, wrathful, cruel vengeful God, devoid of either mercy or grace, and looking for any possibility of punishing you.

Who is God? It is not a silly question, especially in these times when confusion and disorder shape how people think and behave. ... Even among Christians, we need more awareness of the God we worship.

Against the backdrop of a society which is increasingly ignorant of God, let's approach the subject from another direction ... As Christians we believe God knows everything, however, there is one thing He *does not* know! ... Here is what it is, He Himself asked, Is. 44:8 *Is there a God [elowahh] beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.*

In the prophecy of Isaiah God showed how He was working His purposes among the nations, including Israel and Judah. ... Does He continue to do that today, - work out His purposes among the nations? I believe, most certainly, He does. He is not an absentee God ... sitting in the clouds, having given up on us! It is interesting when you ask people who never give God a thought what they think of Him ... In a denigrating manner, very often they would reply to your question with a question of their own, "If there is a God, what is He doing?"

You don't hear people asking that question being asked of Allah, - I have yet to hear of Allah being blamed for what is happening in Islamic countries, or when some atrocity occurs across here. Neither have I heard of Hinduism getting the blame for keeping people in poverty under the caste system in India ... but God always seems to get the blame, even by people who would argue against His existence.

We live in a world humanity has complicated, and that's because they do not recognise the true God. They reckon they can find their own way, but the evidence shows they are adrift, disoriented, with no direction. ... They end up

conceiving a notion of God to fit their lifestyle ... a notion of God which has no foundation. And when confusion reigns concerning Who God is, the only reliable source is His holy and infallible Word.

The Bible speaks about God as a Person. He is not a human being, for Jesus explained to the woman of Samaria [God is a Spirit \(Jn. 4:24\)](#), - that is what He said to a woman who had gone through five husbands and was living with another man, and who hadn't a clue about spiritual matters, [God is a Spirit ...](#) And previously, when Jesus had spoken to one of the most religious Jewish leaders in Jerusalem, He explained to Nicodemus also about how a spirit does not have any human features. You cannot see a spirit, [Jn. 3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth ...](#) That is how the Spirit operates ... and God is a Spirit, but to help us understand, He presents Himself in the Bible as a Person, and in this sense ...

HIS PERSON HAS NO EQUAL He is holy. He has a majesty with which none other compares. He is thoroughly righteous, - there is not the remotest inkling of corruption in Him. He is perfectly complete, - never needing correction or improvement, the same yesterday, today, and forever. His presence extends across His vast creation, - there is no place where He is not ... even further than the furthest galaxies the astronomers have yet to discover. He has no need for anything outside of Himself for He is perfectly capable of being in His own company, for that is how He was before creation. ... We could *never* exhaust the superlatives when we *try* to describe how our God has no equal!

And He *knows* He has no equal, for He can confidently challenge anyone, [Is. 40:18 To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him? And when Isaiah looked at the attempts of men to challenge God, what he saw was pathetic, 19 The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold, and casteth silver chains ... They foolishly rejected what has been *fact* from the beginning, 21 Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth? 22 It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in ... 25 To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.](#)

Moses was convinced when he told Pharaoh, [Ex. 8:10 ... know that there is none like unto the LORD our God. ... King David knew it too, II Sam. 7:22 thou art great, O LORD God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee ... In one of his psalms he wrote, Ps. 86:8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord; neither are there any works like unto thy works. ... Our God has no equal, as He](#)

Himself said, **Is. 46:9** I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me. ... **His Person has no equal** ...

HIS PURPOSE HAS NO EQUAL None of us knows what the Lord has ahead for us. We live and enjoy what He has placed before us today. There are the highs and the lows, ... and whatever comes is in the Master's plan and He has a purpose which has no equal, - even for us. Here is what His Word says, **Rom. 8:28** we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. ... That is not saying all things are going to be pleasant for us, but what it is saying is that when we look back and survey, we shall be able to see the goodness of God, - even during times of affliction, - and we shall trace how He has worked out His purpose in our lives.

Even in the life of Job, despite all his unimaginable sufferings, through his pain, he gave God the glory for he knew God had a purpose, **Job 13:18** I know that I shall be justified ... **25** I know that my redeemer liveth, and [I know] that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: **26** And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh [I know I shall] see God: **27** Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me [though my heart is crunched up and broken within me]... **42:2** I know that thou canst do everything ... He could not work out the *why*, but he had worked out the *Who*. Also Paul, who had his many sorrows, wrote, **II Tim. 1:12** I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

How do you arrive at such a knowledge? ... It comes from believing in this one true God, Who made Heaven and earth, Who sent His Son to die for you on the cross, Who, - when you trusted in Him for salvation, - washed away your sins ... never to be held against you anymore.

You would never get a Gospel like that anywhere else. Every other 'gospel' would have you chasing after ideals you could never achieve ... but Jesus Christ, God's perfect and sinless Son, was sent to be the sacrifice for your sin. Even though He had no sin of His own, He took yours and He was punished in your place for bearing it ... and to demonstrate He had the power to defeat sin, He died but He rose again triumphant over death which is the consequence of sin, and He is alive today. That is our Gospel, and there is none other for there is no other, and His purpose is the glory of His Name ... which His people will share throughout eternity. ... **His Person has no equal, His purpose has no equal**

HIS PROMISES HAVE NO EQUAL I am looking forward to a day which makes no sense to the unbeliever, because I'm looking forward to the day when Jesus

comes back. It is recorded throughout Scripture, but when it happens it will be more than we could imagine. And how are we so convinced? ... We are so convinced because of the promises God makes in His Word, and we know He will keep them all which have yet to be fulfilled. The psalmist cried out, **Ps. 77:8** doth his promise fail for evermore? ... **13** ... who is so great a God as our God? **14** Thou art the God that doest wonders.

Only God has the power to deliver all He has promised. What is impossible with anyone else is possible to Him. He can take the stars out of the sky and create new ones. He can direct the oceans in patterns which defy human science. He has changed the course of human history in ways man cannot and are not willing to understand. He keeps His promises, and they fit in perfectly to His purposes and plan, and they will continue to do so until this earth is no more, **Ps. 126:3** The LORD hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad. ... **Ps. 24:8** Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty ... **10** ... The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.

The world faces war and famine, and recently some 'bad apples' from a few of the charitable agencies have been taking advantage of misery and despair. We look at those who are making laws in our country and we are at the ridiculous state where they can no longer define a man or a woman, or marriage, or how to bring up children, or truth ... And where is it getting us? It is getting us further into disaster, and here is how God deals with them, **Rom. 1:24** Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts because they **25** changed the truth of God into a lie.

Look away though, to the God of our salvation. Some day He is returning for His people, - He says it in His Word, **Mal. 3:17** they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels ... He is coming back for His people who are precious to Him. When they see Him in the clouds, even the dead shall come out of their graves, and His people will rise to meet Him ... And that will usher in the time of which the psalmist wrote, **Ps. 86:9** All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name. **10** For ... thou art God alone.

His Person has no equal, His purpose has no equal, His promises have no equal for He is God ... the one and only true God ... the God of our salvation ... the only Saviour Who saves from sin ... the God Who keeps His people ... So, what is it He doesn't know? He will tell you Himself ... **Is. 44:8** Is there a God beside me? ... there is no God; I know not any.