

## WHO IS GOD?

It is difficult for our limited minds to understand a limitless, eternal God. It has been said, if God were small enough for your minds, he wouldn't be big enough for your needs. If we ask 100 Christians, "Who is God?", we might get 100 different answers or interpretations of who God is. Now pursued to answer the question we are going to the Bible there we will find out who God himself says He is.

### The existence of God

The Bible does not seek to prove the existence of God. The fact that there is a God is assumed throughout all the scripture. God created man in his own image (Genesis 1:27) "In the beginning God created the heaven and earth." (Genesis 1:1) God's existence is presented as a statement of fact that needs no proof. The man that says there is no God is called a fool in Psalm 14:1. Creation must have a creator. The wonderful artwork we see in creation must come from an infinite designer.

### The Nature of God

1. **God is Spirit.** (John 4:24) This means that God does not have a body, His body is invisible. However, He can reveal Himself to man in a visible form. In the person of
2. **The unity of God.** Scripture clearly teaches that there is one God. (1 Timothy 2:5; 1 Corinthians 8:6.) The false teaching that there are many gods, makes no sense. There can only be one Supreme Being.
3. **The Trinity.** The Bible teaches not only that there is one GO, but also there are three persons in the Godhead: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is a mystery to the human mind, but although it cannot be understood, it can be believed because God's word says it is so. The word "trinity" is not found in the Bible, but the truth of it is found in the following passages:
  - a. Baptism of Jesus                      Matthew 3:16-17
  - b. The Great Commission              Matthew 28:19
  - c. The Benediction                      2 Corinthians 13:14

The Father is called God in Romans 1:7. The Son is called God in Hebrews 1:8. The Holy Spirit is called God in Acts 5:3-4.

## THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

(His qualities or characteristics)

1. **God is omnipresent.** This means God is present everywhere at the same time. (Jeremiah 23:24)
2. **God is omniscient.** In other words, He knows all things. He knows every thought and deed of man. (Proverbs 15:3) He knows everything that happens in nature, even the death of a sparrow. (Matthew 10:29)
3. **God is omnipotent.** He has all power. He created the universe, and He controls and sustain it by His power. There is nothing that He cannot do. (Matthew 19:26)
4. **God is eternal.** He never had a beginning, and He will never cease to exist. (Psalm 90:2)
5. **God is Holy.** He is absolutely pure and sinless. He hates sin and loves goodness. (Proverbs 15:9,26) God's incomparable holiness merits our worship. (Revelation 15:4)
6. **God is immutable.** God does not change. (Malachi 3:6)
7. **God is just.** Everything He does is right and fair. He fulfills all His promises. (Psalm 119:137)
8. **God is LOVE.** Although God hates sin, yet He loves sinners. (John 3:16, Romans 5:8)

The concepts of who God is, is developed gradually in scripture. God is unveiled as we trace His actions and see the description of Him given by the Bible authors.

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| King     | Psalms 95:3     | Rock     | Deuteronomy 32:4 |
| Lord     | Nehemiah 9:3    | Shepherd | Psalms 23:1      |
| Father   | Philippians 4:8 | Redeemer | Isaiah 44:24     |
| Judge    | Hebrews 12:23   | Light    | 1 John 1:5       |
| Almighty | Revelation 4:8  | Shield   | 2 Samuel 22:2    |