L2a Bible Answers - *Who Is God?*



Introduction - We learn a very important principle when we come to **Genesis 1:1**. The Bible says, *"1 In the beginning **God** created the heaven and the earth."* Everything begins with God.

2 Peter 3:18 tells us, *"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen."*

Psalm 113:4-6 speaks of God's love for us to look upon us. *"The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens. 5 Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high, 6 Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth!"*

God has gone to great lengths to reveal Himself to us.

God's _____

From the very beginning of the Bible, God reveals more and more about Himself to us. As we read the Bible, we should pay careful attention to who God is and what He reveals about Himself. Think about this— a person's character gives light to their words.

There are some attributes that are unique to God and God alone.

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God is holy.

Isaiah 6:3 *"And one cried unto another, and said, **Holy, holy, holy**, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory."*

The word 'holy' means completely sinless and absolutely unique.

Exodus 3:5 *"5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is **holy ground**."*

Leviticus 11:44 *"44 For I am the Lord your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; **for I am holy**: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth."*

The word ‘omni’ means all. Taken together with the conjuctive word present it means God is all present or present everywhere at the same time.

The word ‘potent’ means powerful. God is all-powerful.

Psalm 33:9 *“9 For he spake, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.”*

Jeremiah 32:17 *“17 Ah Lord God! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm, and there is nothing too hard for thee:”*

The two words used here is the word ‘omni’ and the word ‘science.’ God is all-knowing.

Hebrews 4:13 *“13 Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.”*

The word immutable means that God cannot and will not change. The fact that God is immutable does not mean He does not act.
Malachi 3:6 *“6 For I am the Lord, I change not; Therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.”*

Hebrews 13:8 *“8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.”*

Isaiah 46:10 *“10 Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times the things that are not yet done, Saying, My counsel shall stand, And I will do all my pleasure:”*

1 Timothy 6:15 *“15 Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;”*

God has no beginning and no end. He always was, is and always will be. As He revealed Himself He is "the God Who Is" when He stated, "I AM that I AM" in **Exodus 3:14.** He is the only self-existent One who is not contingent on anything or anyone. He is also without limit or measure.

Psalm 90:2 *"2 Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God."*

Galatians 5:22–23 *"22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."*
God is conforming every Christian to the image of Jesus Christ.

Romans 8:28–29 *"28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. 29 For whom he did foreknow,* ***he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son****, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren."*

What is the application of all of this?

1. God has revealed Himself to us because He wants us to know Him.
2. God has revealed Himself to us to grow as His children. Our growth will be determined by knowing Him.
3. God has revealed Himself to us and is our only measure for Christian growth. We do not measure ourselves by one another. We measure ourselves according to Christ.