

God

The greatest part about being a disciple is having a relationship with God.

John 17:3
And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

How Had God _____ Himself to Us?

God is not looking to be some mysterious being that we cannot know. Instead He has specifically revealed himself to us through different means.

Creation is one of the greatest ways God has revealed Himself to us. As we look at the world around us, we see incredible beauty that reminds us of God's handiwork.

Psalms 19:1
The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

Even from the very start, the Bible declares God's existence.

Genesis 1:1
In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Although many people have tried to discredit the Creation account of Genesis 1–2, there is no science that can prove or disprove the origins of the universe. Scientists who believe the Bible (and there are many) interpret data from a biblical worldview that includes belief in a Creator and a worldwide flood. To them, the evidence and the conclusions clearly match. Similarly, scientists who believe in the evolutionary process likewise approach data with their worldview, and to them, the data suggests another conclusion. The truth is, since no one was there to witness the beginning of the universe, both conclusions are accepted by faith. Indeed, the Bible tells us that believing God created the world we see out of nothing is a matter of faith

Hebrews 11:3

NOTES:

upon the world of the ungodly;

NOTES:

The Bible never tries to prove the existence of God—it simply assumes it. An effort to prove God’s existence is unnecessary because we are “hardwired” to know that God exists.

Romans 2:14-15

14 For when the Gentiles, which have not the law, do by nature the things contained in the law, these, having not the law, are a law unto themselves: 15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)

No one is born an atheist. Every human being is born with an internal understanding that there is a God, but often environment and personal decisions can re-mold, twist, or silence that understanding. Our conscience is a gift from God to help us understand who He is, our own sin, and our need for redemption.

John 1:9

That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

Unfortunately, people will often reject the knowledge of God, but not because of a lack of evidence. Rejection of God is a distinct decision.

Psalms 14:1

The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good.

Nature gives us “General Revelation” of who God is (helping us to see and understand the reality of a Creator), but the Bible gives us “Specific Revelation”. Throughout scripture we get an accurate depiction of who God is and what He is like. We do not have to wonder about the nature of God—He tells us plainly!

NOTES:

The _____

Jesus is God, and His time on earth gave us an even clearer picture of who God is.

1 Timothy 3:16

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

God is a _____

The Bible clearly states there is _____ true God.

Mark 12:29

And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord:

Isaiah 45:5

I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

Ephesians 4:6

One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

James 2:19

Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

However, the Bible also tells us that God is a trinity (a tri-unity) making Him three-in-one. This is often referred to as the "Godhead".

Acts 17:29

Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

Romans 1:20

For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so

that they are without excuse:

God exists as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three unique identities of God still all exist as God throughout scripture—they are all fully God. They are each coequal, copowerful, and coeternal.

The _____

Romans 1:7

To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The _____

Hebrews 1:8

But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

The _____

Acts 5:3-4

3 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? 4 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

The Trinity is impossible to accurately explain but it is vital to believe. The concept of the Trinity is all throughout the Bible. We even see each member present together at different points.

Matthew 3:16-17

16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: 17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Matthew 28:19

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy

NOTES:
