

THE BIBLE WAY TO HEAVEN

Realize That God Loves You.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
(John 3:16).

The Bible Says That All Men Are Sinners.

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory to God." (Romans 3:23).

God's Word Also Says That Sin Must Be Paid For.

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

The Good News Is That Christ Paid for Our Sins.

"But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Romans 5:8).

We Must Personally Pray and Receive Christ by Faith as Our Personal Saviour.

The Bible Says, *"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."* (Romans 10:13).

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Memory Verse- Isaiah 40:18

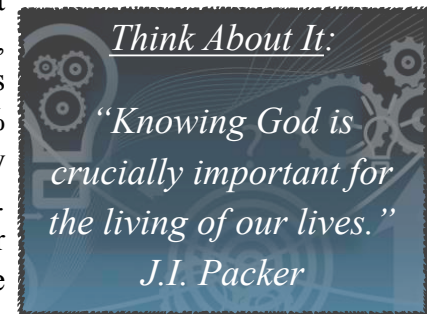
*"To whom then will ye liken God?
or what likeness will ye compare unto him?"*

In our last study, Isaiah called out for us to *"behold your God!"*. His desire is that we will cast our eyes upon God and observe Him with care. What do you see when you look upon God? What ideas and thoughts do you have about who God is? We all have a concept of God in our minds that is made up of many different influences.

Our thoughts and ideas about God come from what we have heard, read, seen, and assume. Many times our concept of God is not 100% accurate. The Bible is the only accurate source for us to know God. The many outside influences can blur our vision of God. We must use the Bible to get an accurate view of God.

When you hear the term theology what comes to mind? Does it sound interesting or boring? Theology is the study of God. It is the study into the nature and character of who God really is. Is theology just for preachers and seminary professors? No, theology is for every Christian. The best knowledge that you can attain is in the study of God. Isaiah begins to reveal to us just how great our God is. Read Isaiah 40:12-18.

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The Great Creator (12)

Notice the questions in verse twelve. Hold out your hand and cup it. Do you see the indented area in your palm. This is the hollow of your hand. Only God can measure all the waters on earth in the hollow of His hand. The span is the length from your pinky to your thumb, usually about six inches. The vast universe that man cannot begin to measure, God measures it with just the span of His hand! Read Psalm 147:4-5 and 19:1-4. All the dirt on planet earth God can comprehend in a 2.5 gallon bucket. Think of all the great and tall mountains. God has weighed each one individually, carved it, and placed it to His liking. Who can do all this? Behold your God!

Think About It:

*Who taught God all
the He knows?*

Isaiah asks these questions knowing the answer. No one can do these things. God calls every star by name. Man cannot even begin to number the stars much less give each a name. God is so much greater than us humans. We must stand in awe of our Creator.

The Great Counsellor (13-14)

We are taught how to do things from our parents and teachers. We know how to do by studying, being taught, and hands-on experience. Have you ever thought about who has taught God? Did God have to look at an instruction book to create all that we see?

“Who hath taught him in the path of judgement?” This is law, justice, and government. Where did it originate from? Not America or us as humans, it originated from God. Who has taught God knowledge? What college and with what degree did God graduate with? Read Job 21:22 and Proverbs 1:7. Knowledge begins with God.

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Isaiah asks, *“who hath shewed him the way of understanding?”* Who gave God insight, ability, skill, and wisdom. The answer to each of these questions is no one! God is the originator of all. God did not have to take some kind of training course to gain His wisdom. He is wisdom and knowledge.

The Great Comparison (15-18)

Now Isaiah begins to compare God to things we see as large and great. All the nations in the world with their armies, power, money, and lands are just a drop in the bucket to God. This means these are nothing in comparison to who He is. All the islands we see scattered all over a map, God could scoop those up with his hand just as we pick up a piece of paper. Wow! Behold your God!

All this reminds us quickly just how great God is and how small we are. We are so dependent upon God. So many people today shake their fists in the face of God by disregarding His existence and power in life. Everyone is dependent upon God for life.

Isaiah sums it all up in verse eighteen, *“to whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will you compare unto him?”* As we look at God, is there anyone at all that is like Him? Can anyone compare with His knowledge, power, and creating ability? The obvious answer is no one! There is nothing we can compare God to. He is unique, one of a kind. There is no other god or person like Him. We stand in awe of our great God who reaches down to us as Father.

Think About It:

*Our lives should be
the unending pursuit
of the knowledge of
God.*

How is your desire to know God?
Are you satisfied or do you hunger to know more?