

redemption for us, once for all *Hebrews 9:12*. By faith, we receive everlasting life. Jesus is the living and true bread that gives life. He is Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. He gives us eternal encouragement and good hope, by encouraging our hearts, and strengthening us in every good deed and word *Jeremiah 10:10; Daniel 4:4,34*.

15) **Glorious:** God's glory is His divine excellence, perfection and unique majesty reflected in all creation, including the stary heavens. Christ revealed His glory in different ways. For example, through miracles and healings He performed, and His crucifixion, resurrection and exaltation. When God's glory was symbolically revealed, it took the form of brilliant light. Christ's glory is like the sun shining in all its brilliance. The Son is the radiance of God's glory. God, the Father, is glorified through Jesus Christ, the Son, and Jesus is glorified when His disciples bear fruit, by abiding in Him *Psalm 96:6; Revelation 5:12*.

16) **Truth:** There is only one true and living God, who is always faithful to, and fulfills His promises. He never lies and never changes His mind. The Holy Spirit is called the Spirit of truth. In nature and action, the Spirit is characterized by truth. God reveals the truth about Him through the indwelling Holy Spirit, and His abundant truth is revealed in His Word *Numbers 23:19; Psalm 31:5*.

17) **Wrath:** God's wrath is an expression of His righteousness. God expresses His holy indignation (revulsion) against what is contrary to His word, including anyone who opposes His holy nature and will. God's wrath and punishment of the wicked is not reserved only for the day of judgment. It is both present and future. God actively opposes all sin and evil *Psalm 7:9-17; Jeremiah 21:5; Jeremiah 23:19*.

By studying God's Word, you will become better acquainted with, and informed about who God is. You will better understand His supremacy, sovereignty and mighty power. God's promise to us is that if we search for Him we will find Him, if we seek Him with all our heart!

Scriptural References:

Exodus 3
Exodus 15:6-7
Deuteronomy 7:9
Psalm 18:2
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Psalm 34:8
Psalm 62:12
Psalm 66:1-7
Psalm 89:14
Psalm 108:4
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God's Attributes, Qualities And Characteristics

How much do you know about Almighty God? When we love God and desire a relationship with Him, we will feel inspired to find out everything about the Creator and Sustainer of the entire universe - the Lord of all creation. We must never assume that we know anything about God, without studying His Word. The Bible is our only source of information, and never our own ideas and opinions.

Let's find out more about God through the Holy Bible, our greatest spiritual treasure:

1) **Omnipotent**: God's power is supreme and unlimited. He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed, and to His miracles there is no end. There is nothing too hard for Him. God controls the universe; and He fixes the number of stars and names them. He is able to sustain His children, and destroy the wicked. He thwarts the plans of evil men. God alone has the power to destroy both body and soul in hell. He brings one down, He exalts another. He makes nations great, and destroys them. He makes fools of judges and fortune-tellers. He silences trusted advisers. His mighty power is revealed through creation, and directing the course of events, and His saving acts! He does anything He pleases in the heavens above, and on the earth below! *Psalm 24:7-10; Jeremiah 32:17; Luke 1:37.*

2) **Omnipresent & Transcendent**: Heaven is God's throne, and the earth is His footstool. He is present everywhere: nearby, far away, and in secret places, and fills the heavens and the earth. He lives in a high and holy place, and also with those who are humble and contrite in spirit. There is no hiding place in all of creation. He is present even in cloud and fire; and even the darkness cannot hide one from the presence of God. Although God's presence fills the earth, He is transcendent (entirely distinct from the universe), and contrasted with the world. For example, God is unique in attributes, qualities and characteristics. God lives forever; but the world will perish. God is holy and good; the world is evil. God will be remembered; the world forgotten *Ps 139:7-18; Jer 23:23-24; 1 Jn 2:15-17.*

3) **Omniscient**: God is all knowing and has foreknowledge. He knows and exposes the secret, evil plans devised by sinful humans. He can foretell the future accurately. He knows everything about us. He tests our hearts, examines our minds and lives, and knows our motives. God knows us perfectly: our every action, thought, and word, and what we will say, even before we speak. There is nothing in all creation that is hidden from God's sight. God chose us even before the foundation of the world, to be His adopted sons and daughters. God knew us before we had knowledge of Him. God foreknew those who, by faith, would become His very own precious people *Psalm 139:1-4; Hebrews 4:13.*

4) **Sovereign**: God is supreme ruler of the entire universe. He is both supreme in power, rule and authority, and governs all creation. Jesus Christ is the royal son of highest privilege, honor and position in the Kingdom of God, therefore the most exalted of the kings of the earth. He too, is supremely and actively ruling with God as Lord over all creation. Christ has priority, pre-eminence and sovereignty over all creation. Christ has all authority in heaven and on earth. 'Sovereign' basically means, that God can do whatever He wants to do, whenever He wants to do it, and with whomever He wants to do it with *2 Samuel 7:22; Matthew 28:18; Colossians 1:15.*

5) **Immortal, Invisible & Lives In Unapproachable Light**: God is Spirit. Only Jesus Christ has seen God the Father. No one else has seen or can see God. God reveals Himself in any way He chooses, to whomever He chooses. For example, God always reveals His plans to His servants, before He fulfills them. God hides Himself so wondrously, as though there were no God, but He is always actively working out, and fully accomplishing the purposes of His heart. In the Holy City, New Jerusalem, God will be the everlasting "light." Light symbolizes holiness, truth, life, glory and love. The heavens and earth will pass away, but God, and His Word, lives forever *1 Timothy 1:17; 1 Timothy 6:16.*

6) **Immutable or Unchangeable**: God's omnipotence, omniscience, and omnipresence, and everything else about Him remains the same. When He speaks, He acts, and when He promises, He fulfills. God always confirms the truth of His words. Jesus' attributes, qualities and characteristics, including His supremacy, authority and divine power are eternal. He is changeless. He reigns forever, and everything about Him remains the same yesterday, today and forever *Numbers 23:19; Hebrews 13:8.*

7) **Beautiful, Holy & Divine**: There is no sin found in God, and evil cannot stand in His presence. The indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit (Power of God) in the life of a believer is evidence by a Spirit-controlled life. Christ resisted all evil, sin and temptations. He never sinned, neither in thoughts, words or deeds. God's holiness and intolerance of evil, demands punishment for people's sins. God's eyes are too pure to look on evil. God Himself declares His own infinite holiness. God's name is holy, His works are holy, and the law is holy. The beauty of the Lord is His unflinching kindness. Jesus, who is completely pure, holy, blameless, undefiled, and set apart from sinners, was sent from God the Father, as the divine representative of the coming Kingdom of God. He is the perfect and great high priest forever, who alone, by His perfect sacrifice, has saved and set us free from all sin. Christ came to earth as God manifest in the flesh. When Jesus said 'I and the Father are one,' He meant that everything about the Father is reflected and revealed through Himself, and the Father and Son are one in both attributes,

qualities and characteristics. For example, eternal power and divine nature, and one in purpose and attitude. God, by His divine, supreme and mighty power, raised Jesus from the dead, who is at the right hand of the throne of the divine majesty in heaven: the place of highest honor, supremacy and authority. This means, Christ's work of redemption (paying the full price for our sins) is complete *Heb 9:12.* But the Father is greater than the Son. He is greater in authority, and has always been in supreme command in the God Family *Psalm 27:4; Isaiah 6:3; Ezekiel 38:23; John 10:30; John 14:28; John 17:11; Hebrews 1:1-4; 7:26.*

8) **Justice & Righteousness**: Justice and righteousness are the establishment of God's throne. He rules by His power, and He is righteous in all His ways. God does not show partiality, and He does not take bribes. According to God's righteous rule, those who wickedly attack the righteous, bring destruction on themselves, and their end will be the grave. God's judgments are not just for the future, but for the present time. God judges according to truth, deeds and the light a person has *Psalm 9:8; 97:2; Isaiah 5:16; 11:4.*

9) **Compassionate & Loving**: God's grace is as strong as His justice. He chooses whom He will have mercy and compassion on, and He does great and mighty things for them. Jesus demonstrated His compassion, by performing many awesome miracles and healings. God is loving in nature and action, and His great love is what motivated His plan of salvation (although He is only saving a remnant, not the world at this time). God demonstrated the greatest love of all through His Son, Jesus Christ. Christ demonstrated His love through action. He willingly gave His life for us as the perfect sacrifice, and He demonstrated His love for the Father, by being humble, perfectly obedient, and totally submissive to His Father's will. God pours out His abundant love in the hearts of believers. He disciplines and corrects those whom He loves. Nothing in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is ours in Christ Jesus our Lord. The Lord preserves the lives of those who love Him. There is a close relationship between love and obedience *Psalm 111:4; Jeremiah 9:24; Romans 8:37-39; Romans 9:15.*

10) **Wisdom, Knowledge & Understanding**: God is supreme in wisdom, knowledge and understanding. He founded the world by His wisdom and stretched out the heavens by His understanding. God performs awesome wonders beyond our understanding. For example, He changes history, times and seasons. He sets up kings and deposes them. He knows and exposes deep and hidden things, including what lies in the darkness. He destroys the wisdom of the wise and turns their learning into foolishness; He will frustrate the intelligence of all who claim to be intelligent. No power can thwart God's plan and purpose for mankind. His plans always prevail! *Job 12:13-25; Jeremiah 10:12; Daniel 2:20-23.*

11) **Awesome & Exalted**: God is awe-inspiring, and performs miraculous signs and awesome wonders in the heavens above, and on the earth beneath. The more one is able to understand God's power, displayed through His mighty wrath, the more one will give God the awe (respect with fear and wonder) that is due Him alone. Jesus Christ is far above all principality, power, might and dominion. His name is superior and above every other name that is named, not only in this present age, but also in the age to come, when God will establish His Kingdom here on the earth. God is exalted over all the nations, and above the earth and heavens. He also highly exalted Christ to the highest and most glorious place, and ultimately all people will acknowledge and confess Jesus is Lord! *Deuteronomy 10:17,21; Ephesians 1:18-23; Philippians 2:9-11.*

12) **Faithful & Merciful**: God's great faithfulness surrounds Him and it endures throughout all generations and to eternity. Only God may be trusted to fulfill His promises, and His Word is trustworthy. One of His promises is that He will strengthen and protect us from the evil one. God forgives our sins according to His faithfulness. Jesus demonstrated His faithfulness to God, by resisting all temptations. Jesus defeated Satan and was able to withstand all temptations. Only God has the authority to forgive sins according to His abundant mercy. God's everlasting mercy is upon those who fear Him. He chooses whom He will have mercy on. Salvation is through God's mercy, and is not achieved by our own human efforts. It is a gift of God. Jesus Christ is our merciful and great high priest who saved us from God's wrath, by His atoning sacrifice, and paid the ransom to free and deliver us from the penalty of sin, which is death. God forgives those who truly repent of all their wickedness and sin, according to His nature and gracious promise *Deuteronomy 32:4; Hebrews 2:17; 10:23.*

13) **Goodness & Kindness**: God alone is good, and His abundant goodness endures forever. He instructs us, and guides us along the right path, the way that leads to salvation, eternal life and His everlasting Kingdom. God is good to those who trust in, love and fear Him, and those who wait for, and seek Him. God's goodness is displayed in various ways to all His creatures. For example, through creation, redemption, salvation, and the blessings that He bestows upon the righteous. God, who began a good work in us will carry it onto completion (the work of complete salvation) until the day of Christ. God's kindness refers to the most intimate intensity of love, loyalty and faithfulness that leads to repentance *Psalm 100:5; Psalm 117:2.*

14) **Eternal**: God is eternal, and only then could He promise us eternal life in His Kingdom. Christ is the living one, and the source of all life, who obtained eternal