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John 4:24 – God is ________________, so we must worship Him in spirit and truth.

Romans 1:23 – When people turned from the true God, they changed the glory of the incorruptible God into ________________.

Acts 17:24, 25 – God is not worshiped with men’s hands, as though He ________________ ________________, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.

**God Is Eternal.**

Psalms 90:2 – Before He formed the world, God existed ____________________.

Romans 1:20 – God’s eternal ________________ are seen through the things He made. He existed in eternity before He created the world.

But some think God was created or will cease to exist or has a nature and needs like men. All such views deny the exalted nature of God by making Him “altogether like us.”

(Genesis 1:1-10; Exodus 2:1-4; Deuteronomy 32:40, 33:7; Psalm 90:2-20; Isaiah 40:1-5; Habakkuk 1:12; 1 Timothy 1:17)

**God Is All-Powerful.**

God Created the Universe, Accomplishes Miracles, and Rules over All.

Isaiah 42:5, 45:18 – God created ________________, and He gives breath and spirit to people. Because He created, there is no other ________________ besides Him.

Acts 17:24, 25 – God created ________________. He gives life, breath and everything needed to life on the earth. Since He created everything, He rules over all.

Matthew 19:26 – With God all things are ___________.

(Jude 1:24; Jeremiah 17:5; Joshua 23:10; Psalms 118:8; Hebrews 13:6; Romans 8:31, 35-39; Ezekiel 28:6-10)

**Nothing Is Too Hard for God; No One Can Withstand Him.**

Job 42:2 – God can do ________________. No ________________ of His can be withheld.

Jeremiah 32:17 – God created heaven and earth. Nothing is ________________ for Him.

2 Chronicles 14:11 – He is God, so man cannot ________________.

(1 Samuel 14:6; Jeremiah 17:5; Joshua 23:10; Psalms 118:8; Hebrews 13:6; Romans 8:31, 35-39; Ezekiel 28:6-10)

**So Only God Deserves Worship.**

1 Chronicles 29:11-13 – We worship God because ________________.

Matthew 4:10 – You shall worship ________________, and Him only you shall serve.

Acts 14:15 – When idol worshipers sought to make sacrifice to Paul and Barnabas, they said: “We also are ________________, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to ________________,” who made all things.

Acts 10:25, 26 - Cornelius fell down at Peter’s feet and worshiped him. But Peter lifted him up, saying, “Stand up; I myself am ________________.”

God is the all-powerful Creator and Ruler of the universe. He deserves our worship and praise as God. Anytime we fail to recognize and appreciate His power or fail to properly respect Him in worship, we are treating Him as being not much different than we are.

(Romans 1:23; Matthew 23:9; Revelation 15:4; Isaiah 42:8; 48:11)
God Is All-Knowing.

His Knowledge Is Infinitely Above Ours.

Isaiah 55:8,9 – As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are ___________________.
Isaiah 41:21-23 – God can even know and infallibly predict ___________________.
Romans 11:33,34 – God’s wisdom and knowledge are ___________________.
1 Corinthians 1:22-25 – Many people reject God’s inspired message as ___________________.

(Ezekiel 28:2-5; Ecclesiastes 8:17)

God Knows All About Our Conduct and Hearts.

1 Kings 8:39 – Only God knows ___________________.
1 Chronicles 28:9 – We should serve God with a loyal heart and willing mind, because He searches ___________________ and understands ___________________.
Psalms 139:7-12 – Wherever we go and whatever we do, we cannot hide from God. He sees and knows everything.
Psalms 94:7 – People say, “The Lord does not ____________, nor does God understand.” Many people think they can hide from God or fool him. Such thinking fails to consider that God is not like us. He is infinitely wise, knows everything about us, and never makes mistakes.

(1 Samuel 16:7; Matthew 10:29-31; Psalms 33:13-15; Jeremiah 17:10; Proverbs 21:2)

God Is Righteous and Just

God Cannot Be Tempted and Does Not Sin.

Deuteronomy 32:4 – His work is perfect; for all His ways are justice, a God of truth and without injustice; ____________________ is He.
Numbers 23:19 – God is not a __________, that He should ____________, Nor a son of man, that He should ____________. (Titus 1:2; Romans 3:4)
James 1:13 - God cannot be __________, nor does He Himself tempt anyone.
(1 Samuel 2:2; Daniel 9:7; Psalms 99:5,9; 33:4; Revelation 15:4; Job 4:17; 9:2; 25:4)

God Makes and Reveals the Laws that Distinguish Right from Wrong.

Psalms 33:4 – The word of the Lord is __________; His works are done in ___________.
Acts 5:29 – We ought to obey ___________ rather than ___________.
Luke 16:15 – What is highly esteemed by men is ___________ in the sight of God.
2 Cor. 10:18 – Not he who commends himself is approved, but whom _____________.
Matthew 15:1-9 – Following human doctrine makes our worship ___________ (Mark 7:8)
Often people conclude they are right or wrong based on what they think or what some other person thinks. This fails to recognize God as the standard of right and wrong.

God Has the Right to Reward and Punish Men for Their Conduct.

Note: Romans 2:2-11. Verse 2 – He will judge according to _____________.
Verses 4,5 – God’s __________________________ leads us to repentance.
Verses 5,11 – His judgment will be ____________________________
Zephaniah 1:12 – Some say, “The Lord will not do ____________, nor will He do ________.”
Psalms 50:18-23 – Sinners thought God would not punish, because ___________________.
God’s right to judge men and reward us eternally is based on His own infinite righteousness, goodness, and justice.
(Titus 1:2; Jeremiah 17:10)

Conclusion

Have you thought God was “like us”: maybe somewhat above us, but not infinite in His character? Have you, perhaps unintentionally, belittled or failed to appreciate His true greatness? Or do you recognize God’s infinite superiority to yourself and to all mankind?
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