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What is God Like? His Nature. Character and Attributes Revealed

We get to Know God as He Reveals Himself in His Word

By daily taking in God's Word and looking at the whole counsel of God, we gain accurate perspective regarding Him whom we worship, adore, trust, obey, and look to for our EVERY need.

Through the Scriptures, God reveals Himself to us - His nature, character, attributes, ect. And this week's *Through the Bible* reading is NO exception. (Even the "doom and gloom" portions, reveal God's nature and mighty acts.)

Here is a recap of some of the things we saw/learned of God in this week's reading.

He is a God of Salvation

And I will deliver thee out of the hand of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible. Jer 15:21 NIV

Jer 46:27; 50:20; Ps 68:20; Acts 4:12, 16:31; Mk 16:16; Rm 10:9, 10

He is Merciful

Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel... for I am merciful, saith the LORD...Jer 3:12

look up wore Jer 42:12; Heb 8:12; Luke 1:50; Rm 9:16

He is a God of Standards – He rewards obedience and punishes sin

But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you. Jer 7:23

Jer 11:7; 2 Kings 24:1-4; Josh 5:6; Jn 15:14; 2 Jn 1:6

He Sees Hypocrisy & Deals with it

Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name... Behold, even I have seen it, saith the LORD. Jer 7:9-11

Jer 7:4, 14:14-16; Mat 6:2, 21:12, 23:27; Jn 2:15

He is a God of Second Chances

...If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me... Jer 15:19

look up wore Jer 24:6,7; Acts 3:19; 2 Cor 5:17

He Blesses Those who Obey their Parents

Then Jeremiah said to the family of the Rekabites, "This is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: 'You have obeyed the command of your forefather Jehonadab and have followed all his instructions and have done everything he ordered.' Therefore this is what the LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, says: 'Jehonadab son of Rekab will never fail to have a descendant to serve me.' Jer 35:18-19 NIV

look up wore Eph 6:1-3; Ex 20:12

He Deals with Wicked Kings

Surely these things happened to Judah according to the LORD's command, in order to remove them from his presence because of the sins of Manasseh and all he had done, 4 including the shedding of innocent blood. For he had filled Jerusalem with innocent blood, and the LORD was not willing to forgive. 2Ki 24:3-4 NIV

look up wore

Dan 2:39-43; Jer 22:24, 50:40

He Calls Us "My Beloved" Even in our Time of Sin

What hath my beloved to do in mine house, [seeing] she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee? when thou doest evil, then thou rejoicest. Jer 11:15

look up wore

Isa 53:6; Rm 5:8; Eph 2; 1Pt 3:18; 1Jn 4:10

His House Bears His Name & He dwells within Us

For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, saith the LORD: they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to pollute it. Jer 7:30

What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 1Co 6:19

look up wore

Isa 49:16; Acts 9:15

He Roars like a Mighty Storm and is a Consuming Fire

The LORD called you a thriving olive tree with fruit beautiful in form. But with the roar of a mighty storm he will set it on fire, and its branches will be broken. Jer 11:16-17NIV

look up wore

Jer 25:30; Jer 20:11; Hos 11:10; Heb 12:29

He Build and Tears Down, Plant and Uproots

The LORD Almighty, who planted you, has decreed disaster for you, because the people of both Israel and Judah have done evil and aroused my anger by burning incense to Baal. Jer 11:17

look up wore

Jer 1:10, 12:14; Ps 127:1; Mat 15:13

He Esteems His Word

Also tell Jehoiakim king of Judah, 'This is what the LORD says: You burned that scroll... Therefore this is what the LORD says about Jehoiakim king of Judah: He will have no one to sit on the throne of David; his body will be thrown out and exposed to the heat by day and the frost by night. Jer 36:28-30 NIV

look up wore

Ps 138:2; Heb 4:12; Jn 1:14

His Word is meant to be Our Sustenance

Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts. Jer 15:16

look up wore

Jer 20:9; Deut 8:3; Mat 4:4; Job 23:12; Ps

119:103

God Feels Anger

Like a lion He will leave his lair, and their land will become desolate because of the sword of the oppressor and because of the **LORD's fierce anger**. Jer 25:38 NIV

look up wore

Deut 9:8; Num 11:1, 2; Jn 2:15; Mat 21:12

He Keeps His Remnant

Among those who were chosen were some from Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. 7 The chief official gave them new names: to Daniel, the name Belteshazzar; to Hananiah, Shadrach; to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abednego. Dan 1:6-7 NIV

look up wore

Jer 15:11, 23:3; 2Kin 19:31; Rm 11:5

He Gives His People Favor as We Walk with Him

Now God had caused the official to show favor and compassion to Daniel. Dan 1:9 NIV

look up wore

Dan 2:14-16, 3:30; Gen 39:4; Est 2:15, 16;

Pr 3:4

He is Able to Protect Us (even from the "un-protectable")

If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. 18 But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up." Dan 3:17-18 NIV

look up wore

Jer 23:4; Ps 121:3-8; 1Pt 1:5

He Walks with Us in the Midst of Our Fiery Trials

He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. Dan 3:25

look up wore

Isa 43:2; Ps 91; Ps 34:7

He Answers Prayer

I thank and praise you, God of my ancestors: You have given me wisdom and power, you have made known to me what we asked of you, you have made known to us the dream of the king." Dan 2:23 NIV

look up wore

Jer 29:12-14; 2 Chron 7:14; Mat 7:7-11; 1 Jn

5:14

His Plans are Good

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jer 29:11

look up wore

Ps 32:8; Isa 58:11; Rm 8:28; Eph 3:20

He is the Potter

O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel. Jer 18:6

look up wore

Isa 64:8; Rm 9:21-23; 2 Tim 2:20

He Gives Knowledge

To these four young men God gave knowledge and understanding of all kinds of literature and learning. And Daniel could understand visions and dreams of all kinds. Dan 1:17 NIV

look up wore

Acts 6:10, 7:22; 1 Kings 3:12, 4:29; Ps 119:99;

Pr 2:6; Jam 1:5, 17

He Gives Dreams and Visons

During the night the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision. Then Daniel praised the God of heaven. Dan 2:19 NIV

look up wore

Dan 2:27, 46; Gen 15:1, 46:2; Job 33:15; Acts

2:17

He is Worthy of Praise

Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are His. Dan 2:20 NIV

look up wore Jer 20:13; Ps 34:1, 96:4, 145:3; Rev 4:11

He is a God of Prophecy

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. 6 In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Jer 23:5-6

Dan 2; 2 Pt 1:21; Acts 2:16-21; Amos 3:7

His Kingdom will be Forever

In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. Dan 2:44 NIV

look up wore Ex 15:18; Ps 9:7-12, 45:6; 1 Tim 1:17; Heb 1:8

...[I]t is you, LORD our God. Therefore our hope is in you, for you are the one who does all this. Jer 14:22

... Let's Pray!