

God is...

In Heaven

Acts 17:22-27

²² So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³ For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴ The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man,

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²⁵ nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶ And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷ that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us,

God is Above His Creation

Isaiah 40:21–22 ²¹ Do you not know? Do you not hear?
Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you
not understood from the foundations of the earth? ²² **It**
is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and
its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who
stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads
them like a tent to dwell in;

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Isaiah 40:25–26 ²⁵ To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. ²⁶ Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name, by the greatness of his might, and because he is strong in power not one is missing.

There is a clear distinction between God the Creator and His creation.

God Cannot Be Contained

1 Kings 8:26–27 ²⁶ Now therefore, O God of Israel, let your word be confirmed, which you have spoken to your servant David my father. ²⁷ “But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and **the highest heaven cannot contain you**; how much less this house that I have built!

2 Chron 2:5–6 ⁵ The house that I am to build will be great, for our God is greater than all gods. ⁶ But who is able to build him a house, since heaven, **even highest heaven, cannot contain him**? Who am I to build a house for him, except as a place to make offerings before him?

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Acts 7:47–50 ⁴⁷ But it was Solomon who built a house for him. ⁴⁸ Yet the Most High does not dwell in houses made by hands, as the prophet says, ⁴⁹ “ ‘Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What kind of house will you build for me, says the Lord, or what is the place of my rest? ⁵⁰ Did not my hand make all these things?’

God is not limited. (in knowledge, in strength, by geography)

God Cannot Be Controlled

Psalm 115:2–3 ² Why should the nations say, “Where is their God?” ³ Our God is in the heavens; **he does all that he pleases.**

Psalm 135:6 **Whatever the LORD pleases, he does,** in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.

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Isaiah 46:9–10 ⁹ remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, ¹⁰ declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, ‘My counsel shall stand, and **I will accomplish all my purpose,**’

We Do NOT direct God's hand.

Let Our Words Be Few

Ecclesiastes 5:1–2 ¹ Guard your steps when you go to the house of God. To draw near to listen is better than to offer the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they are doing evil. ² Be not rash with your mouth, nor let your heart be hasty to utter a word before God, for **God is in heaven and you are on earth. Therefore let your words be few.**