
“Come, Let Us Reason Together” About the Bible
Understanding Life’s Greatest Questions Through the Bible
Bible Study Series

“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the Lord, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool. (Isaiah 1:18)

LESSON THREE

Who Is God?

Estimated time to read this lesson: 6 minutes

Have you ever looked up at a night sky so full of stars that it makes you feel small, and found yourself wondering, “Who made all of this?” The question of **“Who is God?”** is one of the deepest and oldest questions humanity has ever asked. It's been pondered by philosophers, debated by scientists, and searched out by seekers of truth throughout all ages.

But thankfully, you are not left to guess. The Bible, God’s inspired word, doesn’t begin with a complicated explanation or argument for God's existence. It opens with a simple, yet profoundly powerful statement:

***“In the beginning God created
the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)***

It doesn’t try to prove God. It simply **declares** Him to be the divine planner, designer, and creator. This shows belief in God is foundational to everything else in Scripture. God was *already there* in the beginning. He is the First and the Source of all things.

Does God Exist?

When one looks at the surrounding world it actually *screams* that there’s a Creator behind it. The intricate order of the universe, the beauty of natural laws, and the complexity of life, all these things point to intelligence and design. As David the Psalmist wrote:

“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.” (Psalm 19:1)

Think about this: every effect must have a cause. That's one of the basic principles in science. So, if the universe had a beginning, something or rather, *Someone* had to cause it. Scientists speak of the “Big Bang” as the beginning of time and space, but who lit the match? Who caused the bang? The Bible answers: it was God.

The Apostle Paul put it beautifully in Romans:

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse.” (Romans 1:20)

In other words, creation itself is evidence of the Creator.

So, Who Is God?

God is not some vague force in the universe. He’s not an idea, or energy, or simply the sum of all things. God is a real, personal Being. He sees, hears, speaks, feels, and most importantly—He loves.

When God revealed Himself to Moses at the burning bush, He used a name that speaks volumes:

“I AM WHO I AM.”
(Exodus 3:14)

That means God is eternal and self-existent. He doesn’t depend on anyone or anything to exist. He simply *is*.

The Psalmist, David declared:

“Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.” (Psalm 90:2)

God is not bound by time. He had no beginning and will never have an end. Isaiah, the Prophet described Him as:

“The High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy.” (Isaiah 57:15)

Trying to fully grasp God's eternal nature is like trying to fit the ocean into a teacup—it’s beyond our comprehension. But that’s where faith steps in, as the writer of Hebrews said:

“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” (Hebrews 11:6)

What Is God Like?

The Bible reveals many incredible attributes of God—qualities that help you understand who He is and what He's like. Consider the following characteristics known about God:

➔ God is All-Knowing (Omniscient)

God doesn’t learn—He already knows everything. He knows the past, present, and future. Isaiah tells us that He declares:

“the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done.” (Isaiah 46:10)

David rejoiced in God’s vast knowledge, saying:

“O Lord, You have searched me and known me... You understand my thought afar off.”
(Psalm 139:1–2)

And 1 Chronicles 28:9 reminds us that:

“The Lord searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts.”

That means God knows you *completely*—your hopes, your fears, your doubts, your motives. And still, He loves you.

➔ God is All-Powerful (Omnipotent)

God’s power is unmatched. He created everything out of nothing. Hebrews 11:3 says:

“By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God.”

With just His voice, He spoke galaxies into being. And with that same power, He sustains the universe:

“Upholding all things by the word of His power.” (Hebrews 1:3)

Nothing is too hard for Him. As the angel told Mary:

“For with God nothing will be impossible.” (Luke 1:37)

➔ God is Everywhere (Omnipresent)

You can’t run from God—and that’s actually a comforting truth. He is always near, always present. David asked:

“Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?” – Psalm 139:7

Whether you’re in the highest joy or the deepest sorrow, God is there. He promised:

“I will never leave you nor forsake you.” – Hebrews 13:5

➔ God is Completely Good and Loving (Omnibenevolent)

At the very core of God’s being is love. John said it plainly:

“God is love.” (1 John 4:8)

He doesn’t just *feel* love—He *is* love. His love was most clearly shown when He sent Jesus into the world to save us:

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16)

God’s goodness is consistent. His mercy endures forever. Over and over, the Bible declares:

“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.” (Psalm 136:1)

And His desire? That no one would be lost, but that all would turn to Him.

“The Lord is not slack concerning His promise... but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)

God: The Uncaused First Cause

Why the Existence of God Makes the Most Sense

Whether religious or not, most people agree on one basic truth: **Everything that begins to exist has a cause.** This is the principle of causality, a foundation of both logic and science. If you walk into your kitchen and find a sandwich on the counter, you don’t assume it appeared out of nowhere. You know someone made it. So why would we think something as vast and intricate as the universe just happened without a cause?

Philosophers and scientists alike tell us that the universe had a beginning. And if it had a beginning, then something—or someone—must have caused it.

But this raises another question:

If the universe had a cause, then what caused the cause? Who made God?

This line of thinking leads into the problem of **infinite regression**. Imagine a row of dominoes waiting to fall. If every domino had to wait for another before it could fall, and there was no first domino, none would ever fall. Nothing would ever begin.

The only way to escape this endless loop is with a **first, uncaused cause**, someone or something that doesn’t need a cause because it never began to exist.

Christians believe that this First Cause is **God**.

But what kind of cause could bring an entire universe into being?

Whatever caused the universe must be:

- **Eternal** — outside of time, since time itself had a beginning.
- **Immaterial** — not made of matter, because matter also had a beginning.
- **Powerful** — to create something as vast as the cosmos.
- **Intelligent** — to design the precise laws and balance of nature.
- **Personal** — to make the intentional choice to create.

These aren’t just philosophical ideas. They describe the very nature of the God of the Bible.

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)

“Before the mountains were brought forth... from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.” (Psalm 90:2)

Modern science’s widely accepted **Big Bang theory** teaches that time, space, and matter all came into existence at a single point. Prior to that, there was nothing, no physical reality at all. That means the cause of the universe must be beyond time, beyond space, and beyond matter.

And who fits that description? **Only God.**

Still, people raise objections.

“If God made everything, who made God?”

The answer is simple: **God wasn’t made.** Only things that *begin* to exist need a cause. God never began to exist—He is eternal.

“I AM WHO I AM.”
(Exodus 3:14)

“Isn’t this just blind faith?” you may ask.

It is faith—but it’s **reasonable** faith. It’s based on logic, evidence, and the consistent laws of cause and effect. In fact, it takes more blind faith to believe that *nothing* created *everything* than to believe in an intelligent Creator.

So why should you believe in God?

Because:

- The universe had a beginning.
- Everything that begins to exist needs a cause.
- That cause must be eternal, immaterial, powerful, intelligent, and personal.
- **Only God fits that description.**

God is the **Uncaused First Cause**. He is the Creator of all that exists and the source of life itself.

“For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God.” (Hebrews 3:4)

“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen...” (Romans 1:20)

And what does this mean for you?

It means **you are not an accident**. You were created **on purpose**, by a God who existed before time began. And that same eternal, wise, and loving God still holds all things together. Even now, He desires a relationship with you.

So who is God? He's the all-powerful Creator, the eternal "I AM," the One who knows you better than you know yourself—and still loves you. He's present with you now. He is just, holy, patient, merciful, and filled with grace.

If you want to know what God is like, look to Jesus—because *Jesus is the exact representation of His being* (Hebrews 1:3). And through Jesus, you can come to know the God of Heaven and Earth not just as Creator, but as Father.

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning...” (Proverbs 9:10)

Questions to Confirm Understanding

Estimated time to answer the questions: 8 – 10 minutes; with scripture lookup: 18 - 25 minutes

Answer the following questions by circling True / False. Look up the scripture references given to determine the answers, or refer back to the discussion. An answer key with explanations of the correct answers is provided below.

1. **True | False** The Bible begins by offering a detailed philosophical argument to prove God's existence. (Genesis 1:1)
2. **Yes | No** According to Psalm 19:1, the heavens and the firmament reflect God's glory and handiwork. (Psalm 19:1)
3. **True | False** The Apostle Paul taught that God's attributes are visible through His creation. (Romans 1:20)
4. **True | False** God introduced Himself to Moses as "I AM," indicating His eternal and self-existent nature. (Exodus 3:14)
5. **True | False** Psalm 90:2 teaches that God had a beginning but will never have an end. (Psalm 90:2)
6. **True | False** Isaiah described God as one who "inhabits eternity." (Isaiah 57:15)
7. **True | False** Hebrews 11:6 teaches that faith is not necessary to please God. (Hebrews 11:6)
8. **True | False** God is all-knowing and understands even your unspoken thoughts. (Psalm 139:1–2; 1 Chronicles 28:9)
9. **True | False** God's knowledge is limited to what has already happened. (Isaiah 46:10)
10. **True | False** According to Hebrews 11:3, God used His voice to create the universe. (Hebrews 11:3)
11. **True | False** God's power is so great that He can uphold all things by the word of His power. (Hebrews 1:3)
12. **True | False** Luke 1:37 affirms that with God, some things are impossible. (Luke 1:37)
13. **True | False** Psalm 139:7 teaches that it is possible to escape God's presence. (Psalm 139:7)
14. **True | False** God promised never to leave or forsake those who follow Him. (Hebrews 13:5)
15. **True | False** The Bible teaches that God is love and that His love was demonstrated through sending His Son. (1 John 4:8; John 3:16)

16. **True | False** Psalm 136:1 states that God’s mercy is temporary and conditional. (Psalm 136:1)
 17. **True | False** 2 Peter 3:9 shows that God desires all people to repent and not perish. (2 Peter 3:9)
 18. **True | False** The idea of a First Cause means there must be something eternal and uncreated behind the universe. (Psalm 90:2; Genesis 1:1)
 19. **True | False** It is more logical to believe that everything came from nothing than to believe in a Creator. (Hebrews 3:4; Romans 1:20)
 20. **True | False** Hebrews 1:3 teaches that Jesus is the exact representation of God’s being. (Hebrews 1:3)
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Answer Key

Estimated time to read the answers: 12 - 15 minutes; with reflection and contemplation: 20 - 25 minutes

1. The Bible begins by offering a detailed philosophical argument to prove God's existence.
False
“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)
The Bible simply declares God's existence without philosophical argument, showing belief in God is foundational.
2. According to Psalm 19:1, the heavens and the firmament reflect God’s glory and handiwork.
Yes
“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.” (Psalm 19:1)
Creation itself testifies to the reality and majesty of the Creator.
3. The Apostle Paul taught that God's attributes are visible through His creation. **True**
“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made...” (Romans 1:20)
Nature reveals God’s eternal power and divine nature, leaving mankind without excuse.
4. God introduced Himself to Moses as “I AM,” indicating His eternal and self-existent nature.
True
“And God said to Moses, ‘I AM WHO I AM.’” (Exodus 3:14)
“I AM” emphasizes that God is self-existent, eternal, and unchanging.
5. Psalm 90:2 teaches that God had a beginning but will never have an end. **False**
“From everlasting to everlasting, You are God.” (Psalm 90:2)
God is eternal, without beginning or end.
6. Isaiah described God as one who “inhabits eternity.” **True**
“For thus says the High and Lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy...” (Isaiah 57:15)
God exists outside of time and is eternal in nature.

7. Hebrews 11:6 teaches that faith is not necessary to please God. **False**
“But without faith it is impossible to please Him...” (Hebrews 11:6)
 Faith is essential for approaching and pleasing God.
8. God is all-knowing and understands even your unspoken thoughts. **True**
“O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You understand my thought afar off.” (Psalm 139:1–2)
“The Lord searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts.” (1 Chronicles 28:9)
 God knows every aspect of our minds and hearts.
9. God’s knowledge is limited to what has already happened. **False**
“Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done.” (Isaiah 46:10)
 God knows all things—past, present, and future.
10. According to Hebrews 11:3, God used His voice to create the universe. **True**
“By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God...” (Hebrews 11:3)
 God spoke creation into existence with His word.
11. God’s power is so great that He can uphold all things by the word of His power. **True**
“...upholding all things by the word of His power...” (Hebrews 1:3)
 God sustains the universe by His powerful command.
12. Luke 1:37 affirms that with God, some things are impossible. **False**
“For with God nothing will be impossible.” (Luke 1:37)
 God’s power is limitless; nothing is too difficult for Him.
13. Psalm 139:7 teaches that it is possible to escape God’s presence. **False**
“Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?” (Psalm 139:7)
 God is everywhere—there is no place we can go to be away from Him.
14. God promised never to leave or forsake those who follow Him. **True**
“For He Himself has said, ‘I will never leave you nor forsake you.’” (Hebrews 13:5)
 God’s constant presence is a source of comfort to His people.
15. The Bible teaches that God is love and that His love was demonstrated through sending His Son. **True**
“He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.” (1 John 4:8)
“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son...” (John 3:16)
 God’s nature is love, shown most clearly in Jesus Christ.
16. Psalm 136:1 states that God’s mercy is temporary and conditional. **False**
“Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.” (Psalm 136:1)
 God’s mercy is eternal and unending.
17. 2 Peter 3:9 shows that God desires all people to repent and not perish. **True**
“...not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)
 God desires for everyone to be saved through repentance.
18. The idea of a First Cause means there must be something eternal and uncreated behind the universe. **True**
“From everlasting to everlasting, You are God.” (Psalm 90:2)

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)

Only an eternal God explains the origin of the universe without infinite regress.

19. It is more logical to believe that everything came from nothing than to believe in a Creator.

False

“For every house is built by someone, but He who built all things is God.” (Hebrews 3:4)

“His invisible attributes are clearly seen...” (Romans 1:20)

Creation requires a Creator; it is irrational to believe something came from nothing.

20. Hebrews 1:3 teaches that Jesus is the exact representation of God’s being. **True**

“...who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person...” (Hebrews 1:3)

Jesus reveals the nature and character of God perfectly.

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