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**I am the LORD, and there is
no other; apart from me there
is no God; I will strengthen
you, though you have not
acknowledged me.**

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GOD

There is one and only one living and true God. He is an intelligent, spiritual, and personal Being, the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the universe. God is infinite in holiness and all other perfections.

God is all powerful and all knowing; and His perfect knowledge extends to all things, past, present, and future, including the future decisions of His free creatures. To Him we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. The eternal triune God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, with distinct personal attributes, but without division of nature, essence, or being.

One Living and True God

Deuteronomy 6:4-6

4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. **5** Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. **6** These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts.

One Living and True God

“The doctrine of many gods is polytheism, and against it the prophets of the Old Testament poured out their inspired and burning eloquence. The Old Testament is the record of how God trained Israel to the thought of pure monotheism, that is, to the belief in one holy and spiritual God.”

E.Y. Mullins

The Attributes of God

“When we speak of the attributes of God, we are referring to those qualities of God that constitute what He is, the very characteristics of His nature...

The attributes of God are qualities of the entire Godhead.”

**Millard Erickson
Christian Theology**

The Attributes of God

God is intelligent, spiritual,
and personal

Intelligent

Job 37:16

**Do you know how the clouds
hang poised, those wonders of
him who is perfect in knowledge?**

The Attributes of God

Spiritual

John 4:24

**God is spirit, and his
worshipers must worship in
spirit and in truth.”**

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Personal

Ezekiel 34:24, 30-31

24 I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

30 Then they will know that I, the LORD their God, am with them and that they, the house of Israel, are my people, declares the Sovereign LORD. **31** You my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, are people, and I am your God, declares the Sovereign LORD.’ ”

The Attributes of God

God is self-existent, self-sufficient, and eternal

Self-existent

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

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Self-sufficient

Exodus 3:14

God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’ ”

The Attributes of God

Eternal

Isaiah 57:15a

15 For this is what the high and lofty One says— he who lives forever, whose name is holy

The Attributes of God

God is glorious

Psalm 96:3

**Declare his glory among the nations, his
marvelous deeds among all peoples.**

Romans 11:36

**For from him and through him and for
him are all things. To him be the glory
forever! Amen.**

The Attributes of God

Revelation 4:11

“You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

The Attributes of God

God is unchanging

1 Samuel 15:29

He who is the Glory of Israel does not lie or change his mind; for he is not a man, that he should change his mind.”

Malachi 3:6

“I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

The Activities of God

God is Creator

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Psalm 19:1

The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.

The Activities of God

God is Redeemer

Job 19:25

I know that my Redeemer
lives, and that in the end he
will stand upon the earth.

The Activities of God

God is Preserver

Matthew 10:29

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father.

The Activities of God

God is Ruler

1 Chronicles 29:11-12

11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

12 Wealth and honor come from
you; you are the ruler of all
things. In your hands are
strength and power to exalt and
give strength to all.

The Trinity

“The doctrine of the Trinity stands as an essential principle of Christian truth. Without this doctrine there is no true Christianity. The Bible reveals that there is only one God and that He is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.”

The Baptist Faith & Message Study Guide

The Trinity

Isaiah 6:8

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

The Trinity

Matthew 28:19

**Therefore go and make disciples
of all nations, baptizing them in
the name of the Father and of the
Son and of the Holy Spirit,**

The Trinity

“The Bible does not explain the Trinity. It simply gives us the facts... the briefer the definition of the Trinity, the better for practical purposes. God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. These have personal qualities. Yet God is one. This is the New Testament teaching. Beyond this we tend toward speculation.”

E.Y. Mullins

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“Perhaps the most challenging truth about god for us to understand is the fact that in the Bible God reveals Himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Each is a distinct person with specific roles; yet all three have the same essence, nature, and characteristics - they are all the same God. “

The Trinity

“ God is therefore one God in three persons. Such reality is beyond our ability to comprehend. However, we accept many mysteries in life as true even though we cannot explain them.”

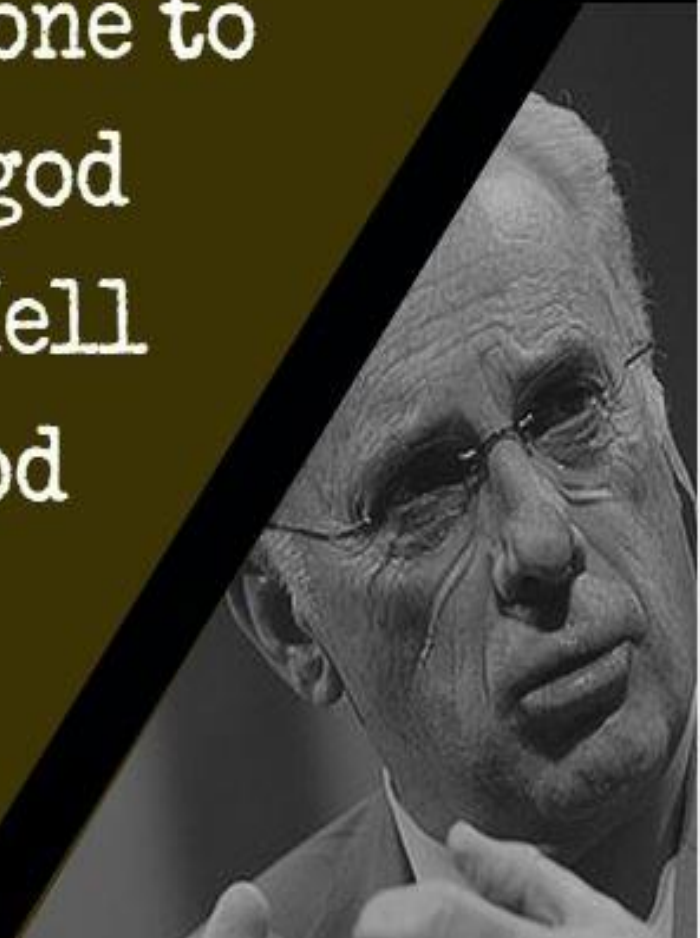
James T. Draper Jr.

Applications

- **Respect God**
- **Love God**
- **Follow God**

If you say, ' My god is a god of love and never sends anyone to Hell,' you're right. Your god does not send anyone to Hell because he can't - Your god doesn't exist."

John Macarthur



Final Thoughts

2 Corinthians 13:14

**May the grace of the Lord
Jesus Christ, and the love of
God, and the fellowship of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.**