

God Is Judge



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- The Study of the Attributes of God
 - The Attributes of God – the inherent characteristics of God.
 - The purpose: is to draw us closer to God.
 - The goal: To make us aware of God’s great love for us.
 - Spiritual Principle: Authority, Unconditional love, Agreement, Faith, Grace
- Lessons Taught:
1. God is Faithful - Deuteronomy 7:1-9
 - The word “faithful” means reliable, fidelity, firmness, stability, trustworthy, dependable or true to one’s word.
 - Faithfulness points directly to God’s divine nature and character. God is not trying to be faithful – He is faithful.
 2. Good is Good – Luke 18:19
 - God is good in and of Himself. God is good in all of His ways.
 - God never has to add anything to Himself to make Him better or good. (Psalms 34:8, 33:5, 145:9, 119:68)
 3. God is Love - (1 John 4:7-8)
 - When God says He is love, He is revealing to us that love is an essential part of His nature and character.
 4. God is Holy - Isaiah 6:1-3, Psalm 99:9
 - His Word is holy. His name is holy. His nature is holy. His Son and His Spirit are Holy. Everything about God as it relates to His nature and character is Holy.

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- God's wrath against sin arises, by necessity, out of His nature.
1. The reality is because of the justice of His law and the holiness of His character, God must judge sin.
 2. He takes no pleasure in punishing the unrighteous, but He will because He is a God of wrath. (Deuteronomy 32:41)
 3. There's absolutely nowhere to run and hide from God's wrath. (Psalm 96:11-13)
 - The Greek word for "wrath" indicates God's hatred for sin and His judgement against it.
 - The character and nature of God's goodness will always respond to both the positive He does and His negative reaction to sin and evil. (Matthew 13:24-30)
 - God will separate the believer from the unbeliever – the just from the unjust on the day of Judgment.
 4. God's wrath will be manifested. (Psalm 7:11-12)
 - People tend to think that God's wrath or anger is like man.
 - God's wrath is always His response to that which is against His nature. God's wrath is always just. God is the righteous Judge. (Psalm 7:11-12)
 5. God's wrath will come regardless of a person's worldly status. (Proverbs 11:4)
 - There is no amount of money, prestige or status in the world that will remove the wrath of God upon an unbeliever, but the precious Blood of the Lamb of God (Jesus Christ).

6. God's wrath is being held back due to His loving grace and mercy. (Romans 2:5-11)
- By God's amazing grace through the work of Jesus Christ (His death, burial, and resurrection) – we stand forgiven and we receive the promise of eternal life. (Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 6:23)
 - (2 Timothy 4:8) – “I fought a good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith, Finally, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only, but also to all who have loved His appearing.