

# What Does Isaiah Say About God?



*“For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.”* Isaiah 55:9 NLT

How well do you know who God is? We come to church and worship him, pray to him, and talk about him. But how well do we know him and know about him?

A. W. Tozer wrote: **“What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us.”** Tozer adds: **“What is God like? What kind of God is He? How may we expect Him to act towards us and toward all created things? Such questions are not merely academic. They touch the far-in reaches of the human spirit, and their answers affect life and character and destiny.”**

Isaiah was a prophet of God. God gave him visions and spoke through him to humanity. Isaiah had first-hand knowledge of God. When we read Isaiah, we are introduced to God.

## Central Lesson:

**A correct view of God will affect every area of our lives**

### 1. God is **ETERNAL** (Isa. 43:13) and the **CREATOR** of the universe (Isa. 40:28; 44:24; 45:18; 66:1-2).

*“From eternity to eternity I am God...”* (Isa. 43:13 NLT) *“...The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth. He never grows weak or weary. No one can measure the depths of his understanding.”* (Isa. 40:28 NLT)

### 2. God is **HOLY** and **RULES** from his heavenly throne (Isa. 6).

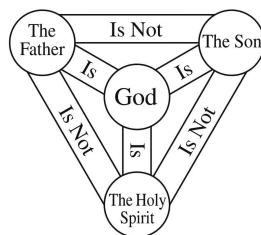
*“<sup>1</sup> It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple. <sup>2</sup> Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> They were calling out to each other, ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Heaven’s Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!’”* (Isa. 6:1-3)

The word “holy” means “morally perfect, pure, set apart,” referring to being set apart **from** sin and **to** God.

### 3. God is the **TRINITY**—one God in three persons (Isa. 44:8; 48:12; 44:8; 11:2”).

One God—*“...is there any other God? No! There is no other Rock—not one!”* (Isa. 44:8).

God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—*“For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”* (Isa. 9:6). *“And the Spirit of the Lord will rest*



*on him—the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.”* (Isa. 11:2)

### 4. God is **INCARNATE** — took human form; came to our level (Isa. 7:14).

*“All right then, the Lord himself will give you the sign. Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means ‘God is with us’).”*

The Life Application Study Bible—“Some have compared this young woman to Isaiah’s young wife and newborn son (8:1-4). This is not likely because she had a child, Shear-jashub, and their second child was not named Immanuel... It is more likely that this prophecy had a double fulfillment. (1) A young woman from the house of Ahaz who was not married would marry and have a son. Before three years passed... the two invading kings would be destroyed. (2) Matthew 1:23 quotes Isaiah 7:14 to show a further fulfillment of this prophecy in that a virgin named Mary conceived and bore a son, Immanuel, the Christ.” (7:14-16).

### 5. God is omniscient (all-knowing) and omnipotent (all-powerful) (Isa. 46:9-10).

*“<sup>9</sup> Remember the things I have done in the past. For I alone am God! I am God, and there is none like me. <sup>10</sup> Only I can tell you the future before it even happens (all-knowing). Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish (all-powerful).”*

### 6. God is **LOVING**, **FAITHFUL**, and **JUST** (Isa. 30:18; 54:10 & 33:22).

*“So the Lord must wait for you to come to him so he can show you his love and compassion. For the Lord is a faithful God. Blessed are those who wait for his help.”* (Isa. 30:18).

*“For the Lord is our judge, our lawgiver, and our king. He will care for us and save us.”* (Isa. 33:22).

### 7. God is transcendent - he is far **ABOVE** us (Isa. 55:8-9).

*“<sup>8</sup> ‘My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts,’ says the Lord. ‘And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. <sup>9</sup> For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.’”*

### 8. God is our **REDEEMER** (Isa. 43:1; 44:22; 47:4).

*“I have swept away your sins like a cloud. I have scattered your offenses like the morning mist. Oh, return to me, for I have paid the price to set you free.”* (Isa. 44:22).

*“Our Redeemer, whose name is the Lord of Heaven’s Armies, is the Holy One of Israel.”* (Isa. 47:4).

The Hebrew word “redeemer” means to act as a kinsman-redeemer, a relative who buys back or reclaims someone from slavery, or a state of being destitute, such as Boaz redeeming Ruth.

## Central Lesson:

**A correct view of God will affect every area of our lives**

- ▶ Accept Christ as your Savior. ▶ As a Christian, dedicate your life to Christ. ▶ Invite someone to next Sunday’s study. ▶ Attend a small group.
- ▶ Read the Bible. ▶ Pray for friends that need Jesus.