

**TO WHOM THEN WILL YE LIKEN GOD?****Introduction**

For thousands of years humans have put great effort into explaining and visualizing God. Graven images have been constructed, talented artists have made beautiful paintings, and elaborate concepts such as the trinity have been developed. Despite a significant amount of time and effort being expended; every man-made attempt has been a failure. God has chosen to reveal himself to man in a limited way through his inspired Word. The Bible contains 66 books written over a period of 1500-1600 years by about 40 different authors and contains the God inspired revelation of God to man. All other books that claim to be inspired by God such as the Koran and the Book of Mormon are false prophecies about false gods. God draws and reveals himself to men and women by his Holy Spirit (John 6:44, 54; I Corinthians 2:9-11). However; we still have a very limited revelation of who the Lord is. For now, we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known (I Corinthians 13:12).

**Memory Verse:** Isaiah 40:18 To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye compare unto him?

**Biblical Application**

Isaiah 40 contains a series of statements and rhetorical questions to Jerusalem and the cities of Judah about how to behold (see) the Lord (Strong's Dictionary). His gentle care in feeding, gathering and carrying his lambs in his bosom is likened unto a shepherd. The omniscience and omnipotence of God is declared through his creation. The Earth contains 332.5 million cubic miles of water that the Lord measured in the hollow of his hand (USGS)! God meted out (measured) the heavens with a span. A span is the measure of the spread of the fingers or the distance between the thumb and little finger (Strong's Dictionary, Brown Driver Briggs). It is estimated that size of the observable universe is 94 billion light years across. A light year is the distance light travels in one year. Light moves through interstellar space at 186,000 miles (300,000 kilometers) per second (more than 66 trips across the entire United States, in one second). Multiply that by all the seconds in one year, and you get 5.8 trillion miles (NASA). There are over 8 billion people on earth in about 200 nations; however, they are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance compared to God. (UNICEF, Britannica). God knows every detail about his amazing creation and is in control of

everything in it including the princes and the judges. May we maintain reverence and fear of the Almighty God in the limited revelation he allows us to have.

- Behold your God. Isaiah 40:9-31; I Corinthians 13:8-13.
- There is none else. Isaiah 45:14-25.
- Every speech and language hears the voice of God. Psalm 19:1-14.

### **Everyday Life Application**

Do you take time to appreciate the glory of God in his creation? Dedicate time to beholding God in the ways the Bible describes him.

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