

Questions About How Can God Be Judged If He's the Creator

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How can God be judged? It seems non-biblical.

Answer:

That's a powerful and thoughtful question: **How can God be judged? Isn't that non-biblical?**

At first glance, the idea of God being judged seems impossible—even offensive. After all, **God is the Judge of all the earth** (Genesis 18:25), perfectly righteous, sovereign, and holy. But surprisingly, the **Bible does speak of God undergoing judgment—not for wrongdoing, but to reveal His justice before the universe.**

Let's unpack this carefully.

1. The Judgment of God Is Not About His Sin—It's About His Character

God cannot sin. He is holy, righteous, and unchanging (Malachi 3:6; James 1:17). But in the cosmic conflict between Christ and Satan (see Revelation 12), **Satan accused God of being unjust, controlling, and unworthy of worship.**

“The great controversy between Christ and Satan...is a question of whether God's character is just and whether His law is fair.”

So in this sense, **God's government, His law, and His character are placed on trial**—not because He is guilty, but to vindicate His name.

2. Biblical Examples That Point to God's Judgment

 **Romans 3:4 (KJV)**

"...Let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged."

Paul is quoting Psalm 51:4, which reveals that **God is not the one guilty, but He allows His actions to be examined**, so His righteousness can be vindicated.

✅ Daniel 7:9–10

"The court was seated, and the books were opened..."

This heavenly judgment scene shows **a review process where God invites scrutiny**, not because He needs it—but because His transparency reveals His fairness to all creation.

✅ Revelation 14:7

"Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment is come..."

This phrase can be understood **two ways**:

- God **judging humans** (which is true), **and...**
 - God's own **character and actions being judged** before the universe.
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🔥 3. The Great Controversy Demands Transparency

Lucifer (Satan) made serious accusations:

- God is unjust.
- His law is restrictive.
- His government is not loving.

If God had destroyed Satan instantly, **the universe might have obeyed out of fear, not love**. So God allows time, space, and evidence to show that:

- **He is love** (1 John 4:8),
- **His law is just and good** (Romans 7:12),
- **and He gives true freedom.**

The Cross is the ultimate judgment event:

"Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the prince of this world be cast out." — John 12:31

At the cross, **God was judged—and found innocent.** Satan was judged—and exposed as a murderer.

4. The Universe Is Watching (1 Corinthians 4:9)

“We have been made a spectacle to the whole universe, to angels as well as to human beings.”

Heaven’s onlookers—angels, unfallen worlds—are watching God’s dealings with sin and humanity. **God doesn’t need to prove Himself, but He allows it for the sake of the watching universe.** This is why judgment scenes in Revelation often show worship breaking out:

“Just and true are Your ways, O King of saints!” —Revelation 15:3

5. Summary: Can God Be Judged?

- **No**, in the sense of Him being guilty of wrongdoing.
 - **Yes**, in the sense that His **character, motives, and justice are being evaluated**—and **vindicated** before angels and humans.
 - The Bible teaches that **God’s end-time judgment isn’t just about people—it’s about His own love and justice being seen as flawless.**
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Final Thought

God humbles Himself not only to take on flesh (Philippians 2), but also to **allow His character to be investigated.** This shows that He governs not by force, but by love.

“Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?” —Genesis 18:25

Yes, and He’s not afraid for you—or the whole universe—to see it.