

Who or What is your God?

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In our secular time we can expect many answers to the above question.

Can we reason with other people around us about who our true God is?

We may be on different roads, but do they lead to the same place?

For example making a journey from Cambridge to Bedford we have to use a map book to find the shortest route.

Otherwise we may take a longer route - or actually never get there. In fact, should it be a random course, then we stand a much more likely chance of never getting there!

We are all on this journey; we need a map book to guide us. I suggest that we should use The Bible to direct our path so that we will get there safely and quickly.

Matt. 7v13-14 Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

The big open road that holds many people. Only a few on the narrow road.

Matt. 7v21-23 Not every one who says to me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of the heavens, but he who does the will of my father who is in the heavens. On that day many will say to me, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name? And then I will declare to them, I never knew you; depart from me, you evil-doers.

People claiming to do God's will, But they have not actually found out What is the Will/Desire of the Jesus' Father Yahweh God.

Who is The Father?

You must keep searching God's word found in The Bible to find out who The Father is.

We have people who think they have understanding of the truth, theorising about who God is and then getting bogged down in futility due to their lack of understanding.

However God is not something 'Just out there', in the void of the vast universe, or an Entity that does not care for us.

Is Yahweh God, the only God?

Are there other beings that rule now?

Rev. 4v11 Worthy art thou, our Lord and Yahweh God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you did create all things, and by your will they existed and were created.

Clearly the writer speaks of this Entity as being = The Almighty God!

2Cor. 4v4 In there case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the likeness of Yahweh God.

This is clearly the god of this present system of things = Satan.

1Cor. 10v20 No, I say that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be partners with demons.

This tells us that there are lesser beings called demons.

Clearly any religion that offers sacrifices, worship, devotional time, and other offerings to anything else, other than The Almighty God is really demon worship.

Titus 1v16 They profess to know God, but they deny Him by their deeds; they are detestable, disobedient, unfit for any good deed.

There are humans that pretend to know God, but works show that they are not from Almighty God!

And thus we can accurately reason that must be working for Satan = 'the god of this world'.

Rom. 1v1 to v32 *This piece here shows us that there is Jesus Christ who is our Lord, and then goes on to warn us about humans that pretend to be the mouthpieces of God, but their works show them to be from Satan.*

And there is a LORD who is Jesus, called the one faithful and true witness.

"Faithful" because he did everything that his Father – The Almighty God asked of him.

"True witness", because he has seen from the beginning of time on this planet, was present during his 33.5 years in a fleshly body here on earth, and now raised to be within his 'original' spiritual body and seen his future bride, the 144000 live their lives during this present Gospel Age.

I also precisely explain using the Greek words that Jesus is "The specific god" of us thus being our creator and taken full responsibility for his creation before Yahweh' Decree: "In the Day you sin you shall die."

The context of "Ho Theos" (= The specific god") tells us whether it is pointing to Jesus or Yahweh.

(See “God” in Glossary)

Thus the Bible has told us that these are the only entities operating within this earthly system.

What about the practises around us?

Exod. 20v4 You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God.

We can understand that if you do not make something then you cannot worship it!

We have so many examples of this around us.

Winged creatures, gargoyles in places of worship.

Temples of idols, human statues.

There are even images of what people think Jesus looked like!

Exod. 32v4-6 And Aaron received the gold at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, and made a molten calf; and they said 'This is your god, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt!' When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made a proclamation and said: 'There will be a feast to Yahweh God tomorrow' And they rose up early on the next day, and offered burnt offerings, and brought peace offerings; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and then rose to play.

Here the high priest was acquiescing to allowing the Israelites to build this Golden Calf as a representation of God who rescued them from Egypt. Aaron was suggesting that it would be all right because really they were directing their worship to Yahweh God with His festival on the next day!

People suggest that really these statues only remind them of God or Jesus, but here we have God's answer to such thoughts:-

Exod. 32v7-9 God said to Moses, 'Go down; for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves; they have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them; I have seen this people, and look, it is a stiff-necked people; now let me alone, that my anger may burn hot against them and I may destroy them.

It was up to Moses to plead on their behalf, which held back God's anger from destroying them.

Interfaith.

Deut. 12v30-31 Take heed that you be not ensnared to follow them, after they have been destroyed before you, and that you do not seek about their gods, saying, 'How did these nations serve their gods? - that I also may do likewise. You shall not do so to the Lord your God; for every abominable thing which the Lord hates they have done for their gods; for they even burn their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods.

Yahweh God wants nothing to do with their forms of worship. People today may say; 'We do not put our children into fire sacrifices!' But wait and think. These people who say this forget that they sacrifice their children to the god of war, where they are burnt to death. Then these parents have memorial services of the dead. There are many forms of this type of sacrifice.

John 8v44 You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks according to his own nature, for he is a liar and father of lies.

Here we see Satan as a manslayer and liar, a god of war and lies.

Astrology and Spiritualism.

The Encyclopaedia Britannica tells us that astrology and spiritualism dates back all the way to the Babylonian and Assyrian times. Priests of those times believed that it was the will and intention of their gods. It was in the interests of the priests to ensure that the population believed the same. Clearly all this was nothing to Yahweh God but the demons on the earth.

Have these gods (demons) got our best interests at heart?

No!

When it is raining, they may say 'Lets have some fun on the Owegi board this afternoon!'

This is what Yahweh God thinks about it:-

Deut. 18v10-12 There shall not be found among you any one who burns his son or daughter as an offering, any one who practises divination, a soothsayer, or an augur, or a sorcerer, or a charmer, or a medium, or a wizard, or necromancer. For whoever does these things is an abomination to the Lord God.

Isaiah 8v19 When they say to you, 'Consult the mediums and the wizards who chirp and mutter,' should not a people consult their God? Should they consult the dead on behalf of the living? To the teaching and to the testimony! Surely for this word which they speak there is no dawn. They will pass through the land, greatly distressed and hungry,....

Yahweh God knows that we are not going to get good answers from demons. Because they work to our harm!

God reasons with them:-

If people try to contact the dead, then in reality they are just contacting these demons. Surely if Mike Yarwood (a comedian) can mimic people and throw his voice about, then these demons with more power can do so much more to ensnare 'trusting' people.

God knows that these experiences can only lead to emotional harm for the relatives trying to contact 'the dead'.

Phrases like Trinity, or God of the dead.

Taking the religion of Hinduism, while they have millions of gods, they have three main ones to form a triad consisting of :-

Brahma the Creator, Vishnu the Preserver, Siva the Destroyer.

Have atheists done away with gods?

No.

In Communist countries they had idols of dead people, like Karl Marx, Lenin, etc. These people were revered.

Worshiping what these people were, is another form of ancestor worship.

As an example there was a daughter who came from a Buddhist family. She became a Christian. The parents saw however that while her brothers worshiped the dead ancestors they had no regard for their parents who were still alive! The daughter however helped the parents, and they became converted through this action of faith/fidelity/assurance.

Matt. 22v32 He is not God of the dead, but of the living.

People ignore this, and consequently they fall into the trap of worshiping demons by 'asking of the dead'.

What steps can we take to ensure that we are on the correct road?

John 17v3 This is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ who you have sent.

It is not easy to get hold of that knowledge.

Acts 8v30-35 This is about the Ethiopian eunuch, a minister of Candace the queen of the Ethiopians.

He was sincere and wished to know the truth. Philip asked: 'Do you understand?' and the eunuch said. 'How can I unless someone can guide me?'

We may face difficult problems because the path to God is not the easiest, however if we are sincere then God will help us, and send someone to us to help us understand.

Qualities of God

Rom. 1v20 Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made.

We can see this when we look at the stars in The Universe, the planet Earth, wonderful plants and animals. And reason upon all the chemistry involved for life forms to exist.

1Tim. 1v11 The glorious gospel of the blessed (happy) God with which I have been entrusted.

He knows what is required to make us happy and keep us secure.

1Thes. 4v13-14 We would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning those who grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

There are many places in The Bible where it talks about a resurrection. It tells us of the condition of the dead and what Yahweh God proposes to do about it.

John 3v16 For God so loved the world that He gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

Rom. 5v8 God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us.

Yahweh God knew what pain His beloved Son Jesus Christ had to go through. But He loved us, and it was through Jesus that we were all given a second chance/opportunity to become like Jesus when we understand what and why we should behave in a righteous manner.

We should follow what Jesus does, for The Bible says:-

Who has seen Jesus has (then) seen The Father (Almighty God).

Matt. 9v36 When he saw the crowds he had compassion (pity) for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

John 15v13 Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

This is Jesus sacrificing his life so that we might have life being access to what shall become the 2nd part of our life.

Jesus was successful and completed everything to the final outcome.

Do we have enough faith/fidelity/assurance?

Are you all not moved?

1Cor. 3v9 For we are fellow workers for God; you are God's field under cultivation, God's building.

God's power is within us, we all must know about Him and find out about Him from His Word from The Bible.

Remember the broad road that many take and the narrow road that only a few find.

All forms of false works, worldly religion, practises and customs; Yahweh God does **not** approve of and actually finds them utterly abhorrent.

We must constantly add to our knowledge.

1John 5v19 We know that we are of God, and the whole world is in the power of the evil one.

James 4v4 Unfaithful Creatures! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.

Who is your God then?

Josh. 24v15 If you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the river, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

Our example here is that Joshua was going to serve Yahweh God.

What about your activities?

Are **YOU** going to serve the same Yahweh God as Joshua did during his lifetime?