Introduction

Perhaps the most fundamental, yet complex question in the entire Bible is, “Who is God?” Scientists and the great thinkers of the world are simply baffled by this mystery. The truth is that God shares the part of Himself that He wants us to know and He shares that part of Himself in His Word. For this study, just for a few moments, forget about your preconceived notions of who God is and rather take a short journey with us as we look to what God shares about Himself in the first Book of the Bible—Genesis…
God is Awesome

- Genesis 1: 1-10
  - God is the beginning
  - God creates the heavens and the earth and everything that exists from nothing
- God shares with us that He is the beginning of everything. Everything comes from God. He is not preceded by anything.
- God is powerful. He was able to bring light, the sky and the seas into existence by a simple command.
- Just take a look around at His creation. Everything that He did is absolute perfection.
- God is the ruler of the heavens and the Earth and his power is sovereign which means that he is the highest authority.
Who is God?

- Amazing
- Powerful
- Sovereign
God Loves and Provides

- Genesis 1: 11-13, 20-29
- Genesis 1: 26-31
  - He creates
  - He gives man power to rule what He creates
  - He provides for man by giving Him a constant supply of food
  - Think about what you have eaten today and what you will eat today. All of it comes from God. God created animals for meat, fruit, vegetables, wheat, dairy products, etc. He has His hand in everything good that we consume.
  - God made sure that His children would be taken care of even before we were created.
God Created Man and Woman

• Genesis 5: 1-3
  – God created man and woman in His own likeness and image. That means that we can look at ourselves and get a glimpse of some of the characteristics of God. Of course, God’s ways are higher than our ways and He is perfect. While we will never reach His level of perfection, the Bible does tell us that when He created us that we were created in His “likeness”.
Our God is creative.
We all have 2 eyes, 2 ears, a nose and a mouth and yet we all look different. Amazing!!
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The Forbidden Tree

- Genesis 2: 8-9, 15-17
  - God allowed the tree to be in the garden
  - God allows sin
  - He gave Adam and Eve a choice
  - He gives us a choice
  - He wants us to choose Him freely
- John 14: 15, I John 5: 3
  - Our love for Him is linked to our obedience
  - We demonstrate our love for Him when we are obedient
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God Punishes Sin

- **Genesis 3: 16-19**
  - He punishes Adam and Eve for their disobedience
- **Genesis 6: 5-6**
  - He grieves sin. He feels pain.
- **Revelation 3: 19**
  - He disciplines who he loves
  - We are urged to repent

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- Disciplinarian
- Forgiving
Giving Him Your Best

• Genesis 4: 1-7
  – Cain gave to God, but he saved the best for himself
  – He withheld his best from God
  – Sometimes, we give to God, but we don’t give Him our best
  – Sometimes, we give him our leftovers
    • Leftover time, effort and money
  – Do we have a “Cain mentality” when it comes to giving to God?
  – Is God pleased with what you give to Him?

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• Jealous
• Wants our best
• Wants to be prioritized
Who is God?
He is all of the things that scripture shows us that He is…
In order to know more about Him, continue to read and study His Word…the Bible.