

**Patience (Forbearance, Long-suffering)**

“... his unlimited patience...” (1 Tim. 1:16; cf. Neh. 9:30;  
Rom. 3:25; 2 Pet. 3:15)

**Justice**

“...all his ways are just...” (Deut. 32:4; cf. Job 37:23;  
Ps. 99:4; Luke 18:7-8)

**Righteousness**

“...my righteousness will never fail” (Isa. 51:6; cf.  
Ps. 89:14; Jer. 23:5-6; 1 Cor. 1:30)

**Wrath**

“...expresses his wrath every day” (Ps. 7:11; cf. Deut.  
29:28; Isa. 13:13; Rom. 1:18; 5:9; 9:22; Rev. 19:15)

**Jealousy**

“...a jealous God” (Exod. 34:14; cf. Deut. 4:24; Nah. 1:2;  
Zech. 8:2; 2 Cor. 11:2)

**Grace**

“...God, gracious and compassionate...” (Neh. 9:17; cf.  
Exod. 34:6-7; Isa. 26:10; 2 Tim. 1:9; Titus 3:5-7)

# The Attributes of God

## Study Guide

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## NAMES, TITLES, AND METAPHORS FOR GOD

This document contains a number of the names, titles, and metaphors for God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit within the Bible. Some are paraphrased slightly for more convenient listing. The variety exhibited here should encourage us to address God in many ways in our prayers.

### God the Father

Abba, Father - Mark 14:36; Rom. 8:15; Gal. 4:6  
Ancient of Days - Dan. 7:9, 13, 22  
Creator - Isa. 27:11; 40:28  
Creator of Israel - Isa. 43:15  
Father - Luke 11:2  
Father-Creator - Mal. 2:10  
Father of Compassion - 2 Cor. 1:3  
Father of Glory (NASB) - Eph. 1:17  
Father of Lights (NASB) - James 1:17  
Father of Our Spirits - Heb. 12:9  
God - Gen. 1-2:3 (“*Elohim*”)  
God Almighty - Gen. 17:1-2; 48:3-4; 49:25; Ps. 91:1 (NIV: “God, Almighty”)  
God Most High - Gen. 14:18-22; Ps. 78:56; Dan. 4:25; Num. 24:16; Acts 7:48  
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob - Exod. 3:6, 16  
God of Heaven and Earth - Ezra 1:2; 5:11; Neh. 1:4; Rev. 11:13  
God of Hope - Rom. 15:13  
God of Israel - Gen. 33:20  
God of Justice - Mal. 2:17  
God of Peace - Heb. 13:20  
God Our Father - Eph. 1:2  
God the Father - 2 Tim. 1:2; 2 Pet. 1:17  
Holy Father - John 17:11  
Holy One - Isa. 43:15; Hab. 3:3  
Jealous - Exod. 20:5; 34:14; Deut. 4:24  
Judge of the Earth - Gen. 18:25; Ps. 94:2

## Communicable Attributes

(Qualities that belong to God and can be reflected in us through the work of the Holy Spirit.)

### Holiness

“Your ways, O God, are holy” (Ps. 77:13; cf. Isa. 6:3; 57:15; 1Pet. 1:15-16; Rev. 4:8)

### Wisdom

“...magnificent in wisdom” (Isa. 28:29; cf. Jer. 10:12; 1 Cor. 1:30; Col 2:2-3)

### Truthfulness (Veracity)

“...God is truthful” (John 3:33; cf. Num. 23:19; Isa. 45:19; John 14:6)

### Love

“...his unfailing love...” (Ps. 33:5, 18, 22; cf. Exod. 15:13; Ps. 13:5-6; 89:2; Rom 8:38-39; Eph. 3:17-19; 5:1-2)

### Goodness

“He is good” (2 Chron. 7:3; cf. Gen. 1:31; Ps. 119:68; 145:9; Mark 10:18)

### Faithfulness

“...he is the faithful God...” (Deut. 7:9; cf. Ps. 33:4; 100:5; 1 Cor. 1:9; 1 Thess. 5:24)

### Mercy

“...his mercy is great...” (2 Sam. 24:14; Neh. 9:31; Dan. 9:9; Luke 1:50, 54)

### Kindness

“...he shows unfailing kindness...” (2 Sam. 22:51; cf. Isa. 54:8; Jer. 9:24; Rom. 11:22)

**Supreme (Pre-eminent)**

“...all things were created by him and for him...”  
 (Col. 1:15-19; cf. Exod. 15:1, 11, 18; Rev. 19:11-16)

**Sovereign**

“I will do all that I please...” (Isa. 46:10; cf. Ps. 135:6;  
 Dan. 4:35; Eph. 1:11)

**Transcendent**

“...beyond our reach...” (Job 37:23; cf. Exod. 33:20-23;  
 Ps. 104:1-4; Isa. 40:21-26; 1 Tim. 6:15-16)

**The One and Only**

“...there is but one God...” (1 Cor. 8:6; cf. Deut. 6:4; Isa.  
 45:21-22; 1Tim. 2:5)

**Majestic**

“In the greatness of your majesty...” (Exod. 15:7; cf.  
 15:6, 11; Job 37:22; Ps. 8:1, 9; Jude 25)

**Present Everywhere (Omnipresent)**

“Do not I fill heaven and earth?” (Jer. 23:23-24; cf.  
 2 Chron 2:6; Ps. 139:7-16; Acts 17:27-28)

**All-Knowing (Omniscient)**

“...you alone know the hearts of all men...” (1 Kings 8:39;  
 cf. Ps. 139:1-6; Prov. 3: 19-20; 1 Cor. 2:10)

**All-Powerful (Omnipotent)**

“Is anything too hard for the LORD?” (Gen. 18:14; cf.  
 1 Sam. 2:6-7; Ps. 18:13-15; Rev. 19:6)

**Unchanging (Immutable)**

“...you remain the same...” (Ps. 102:27; cf. Mal. 3:6;  
 James 1:17; Heb. 13:8)

King - Ps. 10:16; 74:12; 84:3; Isa. 43:15

King of Glory - Ps. 24:7-10

King of Heaven - Dan. 4:37

King of the Ages - Rev. 15:3

King of the Nations - Jer. 10:6-7

Living God - Dan. 6:20, 26; Matt. 16:16; Rom. 9:26

Lord of All the Earth - Josh. 3:11, 13; Mic. 4:13; Zech. 6:5

Lord of Lords - Deut. 10:17

Lord Our Righeousness - Jer. 23:5-6; 33:16

Lord, the God of the Hebrews - Exod. 7:16

Our Father - Matt. 6:9

Redeemer - Job 19:25; Isa. 47:4

Righteous Father - John 17:25

Rock - Deut. 32:4, 15; Ps. 18:2

Rock of Israel - Gen. 49:24

Savior - Hos. 13:4

The Faithful God - Deut. 7:9; 32:4

The Father - 1 John 1:2, 3:1; 4:14

The First and the Last - Isa. 48:12

The God of All Comfort - 2 Cor.1:3

The God of Daniel - Dan. 6:26

The God of Gods - Deut. 10:17

The God of the Armies of Israel - 1 Sam. 17:45

The God Who Sees - Gen. 16:13

The Great and Awesome God - Neh. 1:5

The Lord Is My Banner - Exod. 17:15

The Lord Is Peace - Judg. 6:24

The Lord Is There - Ezek. 48:35

The Lord My God - Josh. 14:8; Ezra 7:28; Ps. 7:1; 18:28;  
 30:2; Zech. 14:5

The Lord My Shepherd - Gen. 48:15; 49:24; Ps. 23

The Lord of Hosts (NASB) - 1 Sam. 1:3; 4:4; 17:45;

Isa. 6:3; 47:4; Hag. 2:4, 6

The Lord Our God - Deut. 1:6, 19, 20; 2:29, 33; 3:3; 4:7;  
 6:4

The Lord Our Maker - Ps. 95:6

The Lord Who Heals - Exod. 15: 26

The Lord Who Sanctifies (NASB) - Exod. 31:13;  
Lev. 20:7-8; 21:8, 15, 23  
The Lord Will Provide - Gen. 22:14  
The Mighty One of Jacob - Gen. 49: 24  
Yahweh - Gen. 4:26; Exod. 6:2-3; Num. 14:18; Ps. 106:25;  
Also: LORD, Jehovah  
Your Father - Matt. 5:16; John 20 :17

### **God the Son**

Advocate (NASB, KJV) - 1 John 2:1-2  
Alpha and Omega - Rev. 1:8; 22:13  
Apostle and High Priest - Heb. 3:1  
Author and Perfecter - Heb. 12:2  
Author of Salvation - Heb. 2:10  
Blessed and Only Ruler - 1 Tim. 6:15  
Branch From Jesse - Isa. 11:1  
Bread of God - John 6:33  
Bread of Life - John 6:35  
Bridegroom - Matt. 25:1-10; Mark 2:19-20; John 3:29  
Chosen of God - Luke 23:35; 1 Pet. 2:4  
Chosen One - Isa. 42:1; Luke 23:35  
Christ Jesus Our Lord - 2 Tim. 1:2  
Christ of God - Luke 9:20; 23:35  
Christ the Lord - Luke 2:11  
Christ, the Power of God and the Wisdom of God -  
1 Cor. 1:24  
Consolation of Israel - Luke 2:25  
Cornerstone - Isa. 28:16; 1 Pet. 2:6  
Deliverer - Rom. 11:26  
Desired of All the Nations - Hag. 2:7  
Everlasting Father - Isa. 9:6  
Faithful and True - Rev. 19:11  
Faithful and True Witness - Rev. 3:14  
First Born - Heb. 1:6  
First Born From the Dead - Col. 1:18; Rev. 1:5  
Firstborn Among Many Brothers - Rom. 8:29  
Firstborn Over All Creation - Col. 1:15

Spirit of Understanding - Isa. 11:2  
Spirit of Wisdom - Isa. 11:2  
Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation (NASB) - Eph. 1:17  
Spirit of Your Father - Matt. 10:20  
Spirit of Who Intercedes for Us - Rom. 8:26-27  
Spirit Who Is From God - 1 Cor. 2:12  
Spirit Who Searches All Things - 1 Cor. 2:10  
Your Holy Spirit - Ps. 51:11

## **THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD**

The following list of divine attributes is designed as an aid for focusing on the character of God in prayer. It is often helpful to read the biblical passages noted and to incorporate them in prayer. This list is highly selective but provides a number of vital perspectives on the character of God.

### **Incommunicable Attributes**

(Qualities that belong to God alone.)

#### **Independent (Self-existent)**

“...he does whatever pleases him” (Ps. 115:3; cf. John 5:26; Rom. 11:35-36)

#### **Infinite**

“...from everlasting to everlasting...” (Ps. 90:1-2; cf. Ps. 33:11; 93:2; 145:13; Heb. 1:8-12)

#### **Eternal**

“...the LORD, the Eternal God” (Gen. 21:33; cf. Neh. 9:5-6; John 8:58; Rev. 1:8)

#### **Incomprehensible**

“...beyond our understanding” (Job 36:26; cf. Isa. 40:18-26; Matt. 11:27; Rom. 11:33-34)

Holy Spirit - Matt. 1:18; Mark 12:36; John 1:33; Acts 4:8;  
 Rom. 15:16  
 Holy Spirit of God - Eph. 4:30  
 Living Water - John 7:38-39  
 Lord - 2 Cor. 3:17-18  
 Power of the Most High - Luke 1:35  
 Promise of the Father - Acts 1:4; 2:33  
 Seal - Eph. 4:30  
 Seven Spirits - Rev. 1:4-5; 4:5; 5:6  
 Spirit - Num. 11:17, 25, 26  
 Spirit He Gave Us - 1 John 3:24  
 Spirit of Christ - Rom. 8:9; 1 Pet. 1:11  
 Spirit of Counsel - Isa. 11:2  
 Spirit of Faith - 1 Cor. 12:9; 2 Cor. 4:13  
 Spirit of Fire - Isa. 4:4  
 Spirit of Glory - 1 Pet. 4:14  
 Spirit of God - Gen. 1:2; Job 33:4; Matt. 3:16; 12:28  
 Spirit of Grace and Supplication - Zech. 12:10  
 Spirit of Him Who Raised Jesus From the Dead -  
 Rom. 8:11  
 Spirit of His Son - Gal. 4:6  
 Spirit of Holiness - Rom. 1:4  
 Spirit of Jesus - Acts 16:7  
 Spirit of Jesus Christ - Phil. 1:19  
 Spirit of Judgment - Isa. 4:4  
 Spirit of Knowledge - Isa. 11:2  
 Spirit of Life - Rom. 8:2  
 Spirit of Our God - 1 Cor. 6:11  
 Spirit of Power - Isa. 11:2  
 Spirit of Promise - Eph. 1:13  
 Spirit of Sonship - Rom. 8:15  
 Spirit of the Fear of the Lord - Isa. 11:2  
 Spirit of the Living God - 2 Cor. 3:3  
 Spirit of the Lord - Isa. 11:2; Luke 4:18; Acts 8:39;  
 2 Cor. 3:17  
 Spirit of the Lord God - Isa. 61:1  
 Spirit of Truth - John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13

Forerunner (NASB) - Heb. 6:20  
 Foundation - 1 Cor. 3:11  
 Fountain - Zech. 13:1  
 Friend - Matt. 11:19  
 Gate - John 10:7-9  
 Gift of God - John 4:10  
 Glory of Israel - Luke 2:32  
 Good Shepherd - John 10:11, 14  
 Head of the Church - Eph. 5:23; Col. 1:18-20  
 Heir of All Things - Heb. 1:2  
 High Priest - Heb. 3:1; 4:14; 7:26-27  
 Holy One - Acts 2:27  
 Holy One of God - Mark 1:24; Luke 4:34; John 6:69  
 Hope of Glory - Col. 1:27  
 Horn of Salvation - Luke 1:69  
 I Am - John 8: 58  
 Immanuel - Matt. 1:23; Isa. 7:14  
 Jesus - Matt. 1:21; Acts 9:5; Heb. 2:9  
 Jesus Christ - Matt. 1:1  
 Jesus of Nazareth - Mark 1:24; John 18:5, 7; 19:19  
 Judge - Acts 10:42  
 King - Luke 19:38  
 King of Kings - 1 Tim. 6:15; Rev. 19:16  
 Lamb - Rev. 5:6  
 Lamb of God - John 1:36  
 Light of the Gentiles - Luke 2:32  
 Light of the World - John 8:12; 9:5  
 Lion of the Tribe of Judah - Rev. 5:5  
 Living Stone - 1 Pet. 2:4  
 Lord - Matt. 22:43-44; Mark 1:3; Luke 7:13; Rom. 10:9;  
 Phil. 2:11  
 Lord and Savior Jesus Christ - 2 Pet. 1:11; 2:20; 3:18  
 Lord of Glory - 1 Cor. 2:8  
 Lord of Lords - 1 Tim. 6:15; Rev. 19:16  
 Lord of the Dead and Living - Rom. 14:9  
 Lord of the Sabbath - Matt. 12:8; Mark 2:28  
 Master - Matt. 23:8

Mediator - 1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 12:24  
Messiah - John 1:41; 4:25  
Mighty God - Isa. 9:6  
One and Only - John 1:14, 18; 3:16  
Our Holiness - 1 Cor. 1:30  
Our Passover - 1 Cor. 5:7  
Our Redemption - 1 Cor. 1:30  
Our Righteousness - Jer. 23:6; 1 Cor. 1:30  
Physician - Luke 4:23  
Prince - Acts 5:31  
Prince of Life - Acts 3:15  
Prince of Peace - Isa. 9:6  
Rabbi - Mark 10:51; John 1:38, 49  
Rabboni - John 20:16  
Radiance of God's Glory - Heb. 1:3  
Redeemer - Isa. 44:24; Gal. 4:5  
Righteous Branch - Jer. 23:5  
Righteous Judge - 2 Tim. 4:8  
Righteous One - Acts 7:52; 1 John 2:1  
Righteous Servant - Isa. 53:11  
Rising Sun - Luke 1:78  
Rock - 1 Cor. 10:4  
Root and Offspring of David - Rev. 22:16  
Root of David - Rev. 5:5  
Ruler - Mic. 5:2; Matt 2:6  
Ruler of God's Creation - Rev. 3:14  
Savior - Luke 2:11; Acts 5:31; 1 Tim. 2:3; Titus 3:6  
Second Man - 1 Cor. 15:47  
Servant - Isa. 52:13-15; Phil. 2:7  
Shepherd and Overseer - 1 Pet. 2:25  
Son - Col. 1:13; Heb. 3:6  
Son of Abraham - Matt. 1:1  
Son of God - Matt. 8:29; 14:33; John 10:36  
Son of Man - Matt. 8:20; Mark 2:10; John 1:51; 3:13  
Son of the Blessed One - Mark 14:61  
Son of the Father - 2 John 3  
Son of the Living God - Matt. 16:16

Son of the Most High God - Mark 5:7; Luke 8:28  
Stone - Matt. 21:42; 1 Pet. 2:8  
Sure Foundation - Isa. 28:16  
Teacher - John 13:14  
The Almighty - Rev. 1:8; 15:3  
The Amen - Rev. 3:14  
The Beginning - Col. 1:18  
The Branch of the Lord - Isa. 4:2  
The Christ - John 7:41; Acts 2:36  
The Last Adam - 1 Cor. 15:45  
The Life - John 11:25; 14:6  
The Morning Star - 2 Pet. 1:19; Rev. 22:16  
The Prophet - John 7:40  
The Resurrection - John 11:25  
The Son of God - Matt. 8:29; Mark 1:1; Luke 1:35;  
John 10:36; Acts 9:20  
True God - 1 John 5:20  
True Light - John 1:9  
True Vine - John 15:1  
Truth - John 14:6  
Way - John 14:6  
Wisdom - 1 Cor. 1:30  
Wonderful Counselor - Isa. 9:6; see also Isa. 28:29  
Word - John 1:1, 14  
Word of God - Rev. 19:13

### **God the Holy Spirit**

Breath of the Almighty - Job 32:8; 33:4  
Counselor - John 14:16  
Deposit - Eph. 1:13-14  
Eternal Spirit - Heb. 9:14  
God - Acts 5:3-4  
God's Seed - 1 John 3:9  
Good Spirit - Neh. 9:20  
Helper (NASB) - John 14:16, 26; 15:26; Rom. 8:26  
His Holy Spirit - 1 Thess. 4:8  
His Spirit - Ps. 106:33; Eph. 3:16; 1 John 4:13