

Who Is God?

Key idea:

Who is God? God is the Infinite, Eternal, Sovereign Creator of everything.

Key text:

Revelation 4:6-11

In the center, around the throne, were four living creatures, and they were covered with eyes, in front and in back. ⁷ The first living creature was like a lion, the second was like an ox, the third had a face like a man, the fourth was like a flying eagle. ⁸ Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." ⁹ Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who sits on the throne, and worship him who lives for ever and ever. They lay their crowns before the throne and say: ¹¹ "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

Key points:

- 1. God is distinct from and far superior to anything or anyone else.
- 2. God is Infinite in knowledge (omniscience), presence (omnipresent), and power (omnipotence).
- 3. God is Eternal, necessarily existing from before space and time even existed.
- 4. God is Sovereign, ruling over all things for His ultimate glory and our ultimate good.
- 5. God is the Creator of everything that exists, and He sustains everything so that it continues to exist.

Questions for discussion/application:

- 1. Note: this is BRCC Catechism Question 5. The catechism has many other verses, questions, and resources for further study related to this question.
- 2. What part of Sunday's text and teaching stood out most to me? Why?
- 3. A.W. Tozer said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." Why is this true?
- 4. How do I think most people would describe God? How does this compare to the biblical description of God?
- 5. How does the biblical description of God relate to its teaching regarding the nature of sin, salvation, the Gospel, and eternity?
- 6. Do I find it more difficult to comprehend God as Infinite, Eternal, or Sovereign? Which is hardest for me to understand and accept?
- 7. Why is it important to affirm that God is the Creator of everything that exists? How does the fact that God is my Creator relate to my responsibility to obey and worship Him?
- 8. Since God is Infinite, Eternal, and Sovereign, what is His relationship to creation? What other conceptions of God's relationship to creation do people believe? What is the effect of believing these instead of the biblical teaching regarding God and creation?
- 9. How does the biblical understanding of God relate to worship? How does a proper view of God fuel and inform passionate worship?
- 10. Whom can I pray for, share what I have learned, and invite to church this week?

Preview of next week: The Cup of Christ (Psalm 23)