

WHO IS GOD?

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

WHO IS GOD? (ADULT EDITION)

Text: Genesis 1:1; Psalm 90:2; Psalm 19:1; Psalm 33:6,9; Hebrews 11:3,6; Acts 27:25; Jeremiah 31:35-36; Jeremiah 33:20-21; Romans 2:14-15; Jeremiah 31:33

Target Time: 45 to 50 Minutes

Format: Four distinct teaching segments (10 to 12 minutes each)

Scripture: King James Version exclusively

TEACHING OVERVIEW

This lesson begins a foundational three-part series exploring the Godhead: ***Who is God?*** Followed by ***Who is Jesus?*** and concluding with ***Who is the Holy Ghost?***

Before we examine the specific operations of the Son and the Spirit, we must settle the foundational truth of the Creator Himself.

Modern man attempts to explain the universe through blind chance, random chaos, and self-derived morality.

Scripture dismantles these myths from its very first syllable.

This lesson establishes:

1. God's eternal pre-existence,
2. His deliberate craftsmanship in creation,
3. His sovereign faithfulness demonstrated in the cosmic clockwork of day and night, and
4. The undeniable witness of His moral law inscribed directly upon the human heart.

SEGMENT 1: THE ETERNAL UNCREATED CREATOR (10–12 MINUTES)

Scripture Focus

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Psalms 90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou *art* God.

1. Everything Has a Beginning—Except God

Genesis 1:1 does not open with an argument for God's existence; it states His reality as an absolute fact.

- Everything in our physical reality possesses a genesis, a starting line, an arrival point.
- **Time** had a beginning. **Space** had a beginning. **Matter** had a beginning.
- When the curtain of time was drawn, God was not walking onto the stage; He was already standing there holding the rope.

Psalm 90:2 settles the eternal nature of the Creator. Moses declares that before the earth was formed, *"from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God."* God does not exist within time; time exists within God. He is self-existent, needing nothing outside of Himself to sustain His being. He existed "FROM EVERLASTING" meaning HE EXISTED BEFORE GENESIS 1:1.

BEFORE GENESIS 1:1:

Before there was a Beginning there is God
God did not Begin when the Beginning Began
He Began the Beginning
So God didn't Start when Start got Started
God Started Start
God Is Bigger than the Beginning
As a matter of FACT the Beginning came out of Him
Therefore God is outside of Time because he started Time

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Instead of just starting with "**In the beginning**," we introduce the students to the eternal reality of God before the clock started ticking.

1. Teaching the "BEFORE VERSE ONE" Concept

- **Before Genesis 1:1:** Before there was a beginning, there was God.
- **God did not begin when the beginning began:** He is the Author, not the story. He is the Creator not the creature being created.
- **He began the beginning:** He didn't enter time; He authored time.
- **God is outside of time because He started time!**
- **Everything had its start in the Mind of God**

2. The Clarity Point ("MY BRAIN" Illustration)

A little boy spoke to his Pastor and said, 'Did you know your brain is important? Did you know that your body can't function without your brain?' . . . He went on to say, 'I can use my brain and picture what I want to build with my Legos and then I just build it! I can build what I see in my brain' (profound for a little boy).

3. Discussion Questions (Focusing on the "Uncreated Creator")

GOD BEGAN WITH A PLAN IN HIS MIND (HE THOUGHT ABOUT IT)

The Creator, begins with a vision in his mind, of what he wants the vessel to look like, he will then mold and shape the vessel that he has envisioned. At this point - The vessel is in the Creator (In His Mind).

After a period of time, the vessel will be finished, fashioned like the vision the Creator had (in his brain as the little boy said). When finished with the vessel, one should say that - (The Creator is now in the created).

THE CREATOR IS CLEARLY SEEN IN HIS CREATION

My HOPE is that this approach will transform the lesson from a Physics Lecture into a **theological revelation**. Hopefully it shifts the class from "Analyzing the Universe" to "Worshipping the Creator."

Revelation 4:11 Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

SEGMENT 2: DESIGN DEMANDS A DESIGNER (10–12 MINUTES)

Scripture Focus

Psalms 19:1 A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

1. The Jet in the Junkyard

Secular textbooks teach that matter organized itself through catastrophic, unguided chaos. We are told an ancient explosion eventually organized raw elements into living, thinking human beings.

Consider a modern jet aircraft:

- A jet engine contains tens of thousands of precision-machined parts made of titanium, steel, wiring, and high-temperature alloys.
- No rational person would ever walk through a scrap junkyard, witness an explosion of dynamite, and expect the resulting debris to settle onto a runway as an operational Boeing 777 ready for flight.
- Explosions cause destruction, ruin, and disorder. They never produce order, calibration, or functional machinery.

If an explosion cannot produce a mechanical jet, it certainly could not produce a biological human being, whose single strands of DNA contain more coded, functional information than all the software programs ever written by mankind.

2. The "Big Bang" Understood Biblically

Secular theorists cling to their "Big Bang" hypothesis to avoid acknowledging the Lord. We can accept the phrase with one critical correction: *God spoke, and "BANG", there it appeared.*

Psalms 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth.

Psalms 33:9 For he spake, and it was *done*; he commanded, and it stood fast.

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Creation did not assemble itself over billions of years of random trial and error. It responded instantly to the authoritative voice of its Maker.

Class Discussion & Application

I CAN HAVE "FAITH" TO BELIEVE

Hebrews 11:3 Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

LET THIS BE YOUR DECLARATION OF FAITH

Acts 27:25 Wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer: **for I believe God**, that it shall be even as it was told me.

CAN YOU MAKE THIS DECLARATION?

"I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
Who lived, died, and rose for us.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the giver of life,
Who guides and sustains us.

I believe the Word of God –

THE BIBLE

YES I BELIEVE!

SEGMENT 3: THE CALENDAR COVENANT—

Scripture Focus

Jeremiah 31:35 Thus saith the LORD, which giveth

- **the sun for a light by day,**
- *and* **the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night,**
- which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar;
- The LORD of hosts *is* his name:

Jeremiah 31:36 **If those ordinances depart from before me,** saith the LORD, *then* the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever.

Jeremiah 33:20 Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break **my covenant of the day,** and **my covenant of the night,** and that there should not be day and night in their season;

Jeremiah 33:21 *Then* may also my covenant be broken with David my servant . . .

1. The Clockwork Universe

Who is God? He is a God of covenant, order, and unwavering constancy.

In Jeremiah 33, God stakes His very integrity on what can be termed His "Calendar Covenant":

- The earth rotates at an exact speed, tilted at 23.5 degrees, orbiting the sun at roughly 67,000 miles per hour.
- Because of this divine precision, dawn breaks reliably **every single morning**, and night arrives without fail.
- Man cannot alter the rotation of the earth by one second. You cannot cancel sunrise. You cannot abolish nightfall.

2. Physical Laws as Proof of Divine Covenant

God told Jeremiah that if any man could break His covenant with day and night, only then could His eternal covenants with His people fail.

- Creation is not running on autonomous auto-pilot; it is maintained moment by moment by DIVINE DECREE.

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- The regular cycle of planting and harvest, winter and summer, light and darkness, bears continuous witness to a God who keeps His word.
- The predictability of science itself relies entirely on the character of God. If the universe were ruled by chaos, scientific laws could not exist, because physical properties would shift at random.
- Science works only because God is faithful.
- God's covenant with Israel and David finds its ultimate, unbreakable fulfillment in **Jesus Christ**, the true King on David's throne, and in His Church. The physical clockwork of creation guarantees the Eternal Secure Promise of the New Covenant established in His Blood.

Class Discussion & Application

- Ask: "When you go to bed tonight, do you worry that the sun might simply fail to rise tomorrow?"
- Emphasize: The same reliable God who secures the planetary calendar holds the life of the believer in His unchanging hand.

WE REFER BACK TO THIS SCRIPTURE VERSE

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- so that things which are seen
- were not made of things which do appear.

THE EASIEST THINGS WE SEE ARE THE SUN, MOON, AND STARS

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- were not made of things which do appear.

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WE KNOW THIS: HIS COVENANT WILL NEVER BE BROKEN!

SEGMENT 4: THE WITNESS WITHIN— MORAL LAW WRITTEN ON THE HEART

Scripture Focus

Romans 2:15 Which shew the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and *their* thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another . . .

Jeremiah 31:33 But this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.

1. The Internal Barometer: Conscience

The same God who wrote His laws into the motion of the stars has carved His holy law directly into the fabric of your soul. We have traveled from the witness of God in Cosmology (The Eternal Creator) to Teleology (The Designer) to Providence (The Covenant Keeper). Now, we arrive at our final witness, which is internal: the moral law.

- Every human culture throughout history has maintained a clear concept of right and wrong, justice and violation.
- While societies may disagree on small applications, none celebrate cowardice, betrayal, or the murder of innocent kin as noble virtues.
- Deep within every man sits an Internal Court called the *CONSCIENCE*.

2. The Law Written in the Fleshly Tables

Romans 2:15 explains this phenomenon clearly: God has written the work of His law directly upon the human heart.

- Man does not need a written copy of the Ten Commandments to know that stealing, lying, and murder are evil.
- The conscience acts as an internal prosecutor: "*accusing or else excusing.*"

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- When a person violates God's standards, GUILT is not a social conditioning defect; it is the ALARM SYSTEM of the soul signaling a breach of Divine Law.
- You cannot have a Moral Law without an absolute Moral Lawgiver.
- Relativism crumbles because the conscience continuously testifies to an objective standard set from above.

Conclusion & Bridge to Next Lesson

Who is God?

- He is the **Eternal Creator** who stood before the beginning.
- He is the **Master Designer** whose intellect fashioned every detail of reality.
- He is the **Sovereign Ruler** who maintains the celestial order of day and night.
- He is the **Righteous Lawgiver** who has placed His witness directly into our very hearts.

Having settled that God is, that He created, and that He reigns supreme, our next lesson narrows this divine revelation directly to His only begotten Son:

"Who is Jesus?"

GOAL: TRY TO MEMORIZE

Encourage the students to memorize **Scripture**

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