

Part 5: The Incomparable God

Isaiah 40:12-31

12 Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens? Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket, or weighed the mountains on the scales and the hills in a balance? 13 Who has understood the mind of the Lord, or instructed him as his counselor? 14 Whom did the Lord consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge or showed him the path of understanding?

15 Surely the nations are like a drop in a bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales; he weighs the islands as though they were fine dust. 16 Lebanon is not sufficient for altar fires, nor its animals enough for burnt offerings. 17 Before him all the nations are as nothing; they are regarded by him as worthless and less than nothing.

18 To whom, then, will you compare God? What image will you compare him to? 19 As for an idol, a craftsman casts it, and a goldsmith overlays it with gold and fashions silver chains for it. 20 A man too poor to present such an offering selects wood that will not rot. He looks for a skilled craftsman to set up an idol that will not topple.

21 Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded? 22 He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in. 23 He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing. 24 No sooner are they planted, no sooner are they sown, no sooner do they take root in the ground, than he blows on them and they wither, and a whirlwind sweeps them away like chaff.

25 "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One. 26 Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.

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27 Why do you say, O Jacob, and complain, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord ; my cause is disregarded by my God"? 28 Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. 29 He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. 30 Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; 31 but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Romans 1:23

and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.

Attributes:

Incomparable: God is beyond comparison; there is no one like Him. His nature, attributes, and works are unique and unparalleled. He stands alone in His majesty and perfection, and nothing in creation can be equated with Him.

Omniscient: God possesses complete and perfect knowledge. He knows everything that has happened, is happening, and will happen. There is nothing hidden from His sight, and He understands all things fully and perfectly.

Incorruptible: God is free from decay and corruption. He is above time, which is a created part of the universe. God does not age or deteriorate, and He is immune to any form of corruption or decay.

Immutable: This attribute means that God is eternally the same in His being. He does not change over time; He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. His nature and character are constant and unchanging.

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Message notes:

If God _____ anything, He wouldn't be God.
He's all-knowing

The _____ God can be in our understanding,
the lesser we must be in our understanding of ourselves.

You can't find something human or _____ to
represent Him.

You can know God, but never in human strength, wisdom, or
knowledge. It has to be disclosure, _____
from God.

You won't understand the attributes of God by look-
ing down and studying Him. You understand Him by
_____ and worshipping Him.

Our earthly terms _____ apply to God, He's infinite
and immeasurable.

You can't know unless He _____ you know.

The fact that He is incomparable doesn't help me if it's not
_____.

You don't _____ your strength by trying to
get stronger. You renew your strength by looking to Him.

Additional notes:

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Discussion Questions:

1. Pastor Jamie highlighted the contrast between the corruptible nature of earthly things and the incorruptible nature of God. How does understanding this concept influence our understanding of what is truly valuable and worthy of our worship and trust?
2. The message discusses how God's knowledge and wisdom are beyond human comprehension. How does acknowledging God's omniscience affect our approach to life's uncertainties?
3. Pastor Jamie mentions that God loves and cares for what is considered "nothing" by the world. How does this understanding of God's love for the seemingly insignificant change the way we view ourselves and others?
4. Pastor Jamie emphasizes the importance of waiting on the Lord and trusting in His timing. What does it mean to "wait on the Lord," and how can this practice strengthen our faith?
5. The message emphasizes God's incomparability, highlighting His transcendence and majesty, yet also points out how this understanding becomes applicable in our daily lives. How does recognizing God's incomparable nature enhance our trust in Him, and in what ways can this understanding practically influence our responses to life's challenges?

Ministry Time:

The message points out that it is only through God's grace and revelation that we come to know Him. Pray for anyone who needs more revelation from God to know Him more intimately.

Pastor Jamie highlighted God's omniscience, emphasizing that He is all-knowing and perfectly aware of every detail of our lives, including our needs and struggles. Pray for anyone who is struggling to trust in God's provision and timing.