

# Worksheet #3 "God On Trial"

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God's Character

## God's Description of His Character

**Exodus 33:18-20;** And [Moses] said, "Please, show me Your glory." Then He said, "I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion." But He said, "You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live." ...

**Exodus 34:5-7** Now the Lord descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord. And the Lord passed before him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children to the third and the fourth generation."

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# Satan's Description of God's Character

Job 1:8-12 Then the Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, one who fears God and shuns evil?"So Satan answered the Lord and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!"

•	Satan's argument was that Job was	only	to Go	od because Go	od	him.
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Though the book bears his name, Job is not on trial. In reality, \_\_\_\_\_\_ is the one being judged.

#### What Satan Sells

**Ezekiel 28:16, 18** "By the abundance of your *trading* You became filled with violence within... "You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your *trading*."

The same Hebrew root word translated as "trading" in Ezekiel 28 is also translated as:

- Ezekiel 22:9 "In you are men who slander to cause bloodshed..."
- Leviticus 19:16 "You shall not go about as a talebearer among your people..."

John 8:44 "...he is a liar and the father of it.

If accused of being a liar, you won't get anywhere by merely saying "\_\_\_\_\_!"

Jesus Revealed the True Character of God

**Isaiah 56:1** Thus says the Lord: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for My salvation is about to come, and My righteousness to be revealed.

**2 Corinthians 4:6** For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

**John 1:14** And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

**1 John 3:8** He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

### John 12

- 27, 28 "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. 28 Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven, saying, "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again."
- 31-33 Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. 32 And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." 33 This He said, signifying by what death He would die.
- 44, 45 Then Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. 45 And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me.

**John 14:7-9** "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him." 8 Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us." 9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

Romans 5:8 God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

**Revelation 12:7-10** And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them[a] in heaven any longer. 9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

	<u>REVIEW</u>
•	Satan had smeared the of God, arguing He was not the God of love He claimed.
•	Since merely calling Satan a liar would be insufficient; God the truth in Jesus.
•	Satan's murder of Jesus revealed the true character of both and His
•	Christ's death severed any remaining un-fallen beings might have had for Satan,
	essentially casting him out of heaven a time.