

God Works for Those Who Wait For Him

Uniqueness of God

Isaiah 64:1-4; 46:1-4

Thesis: The Bible says several times that our God is utterly unique among all the gods in the world and in history. But what makes him so unique?

Introduction:

1. Psalm 20:7
 2. No other god works for those who wait on Him!
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- I. Background and context of Isaiah 64
 - A. Isaiah 63 and 64 are one thought, a prayer of lament where Isaiah recalls how God had frequently rescued Israel from her enemies.
 - B. The prayer recalls the great wonders and acts of God and praises Him for:
 1. _____ (Is. 63)
 2. _____ (Is. 63)
 - C. The prayer laments that they are now suffering (Is. 63:18-19; cf. Psalm 22)
 - II. God is unique: Call for God to act like He had in the past (Is. 64:1-4)
 - A. Often times when we want God to do a new thing we call on Him to remember how He did old things. (Exodus 15:2, 11, 18)
 - B. Vs 1-3 There is no other God who shows up like You do (Psalm 12:3)
 - III. What makes God Unique? (Is. 64:4)
 - A. There isn't any other God like this God: "For from days of old they have not heard or perceived by ear, Nor has the eye seen a God besides You..." (Cf. 1 Cor. 2:6-10)
 - B. Contrast between Jehovah God and the false gods

Applications:

1. Psalm 20:7; "Some *boast* in chariots and some in horses, But we will boast in the name of the Lord, our God."
2. Structure your prayers with praise for how great God has been in your life and in the life of others. (Exodus 15:2, 11, 18; 46 The LORD lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior! 49 Therefore I will praise you, LORD, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name. Psalm 18:46, 49)
3. Recall that God has always carried you, since you were in your mother's womb and will carry you till your gray haired head rests on the pillow.
4. Give God the glory for there is no other God like Jehovah
5. Learn to wait on the Lord, learn to go when He says to go and to stay when He tells you to wait.
6. Give up your idols.

Study Questions

1. Read Isaiah 64:1–4. Isaiah says in verse 4 that God is utterly unique. From this passage, describe what makes God so unique from other gods?
2. What do you learn about Bel and Nebo in Isaiah 46:1–4? Do you see similarities with other popular gods or religions today?
3. How does Isaiah 46:1–4 reinforce or support the uniqueness you were seeing in Isaiah 64:1–4? Are there any new dimensions in these verses?