

What was God doing before He created the Universe?

Snapshots of Eleven Key Attributes of God

Exodus 3:14 Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

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

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

A. Attributes of God that are totally self-sufficient:

Psalm 90:2 Before the mountains were born or You gave birth to the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

Psalm 147:5 Great is our Lord and abundant in strength; His understanding is infinite.

Psalm 139:8-10 If I ascend to heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in Sheol {i.e., the grave}, behold, You are there; if I take the wings of the dawn, if I dwell in the remotest part of the sea, even there Your hand will lead me, and Your right hand will lay hold of me.

Jeremiah 23:24 "Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?" declares the LORD.

Psalm 115:3 Our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases.

Psalm 103:19 The LORD has established His throne in the heavens, and His sovereignty rules over all

Malachi 3:6 I, the LORD, do not change

James 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of **the** lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

John 17:5 Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was

B. Attributes of God that require other beings in order to be manifested:

Psalm 119:68 You are good and {implied "therefore"} do good

1 John 4:8 God is love.

Ephesians 3:19 ...to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.

Jeremiah 31:3 The LORD appeared to him saying, "I have loved you with an everlasting love"

C. Attributes of God that require rebellious beings in order to be manifested:

Habakkuk 1:13 Your eyes are too pure to approve evil, and You cannot look on wickedness

Romans 1:18 The wrath of God {*i.e.*, God's holy response to sin} is revealed from heaven against all ~~ungodliness~~ **unseemliness**

Hebrews 12:29 Our God is a consuming fire

Lamentations 3:22 It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed

Titus 3:7 That being justified by His grace we would be made heirs according to the ~~hope~~ **certainty** of eternal life.

Psalm 33:11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever

Ephesians 1:11-12 ...having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, to the end that we who were the first to ~~hope~~ **place our certainty** in Christ would be to the praise of His glory.

1 Peter 1:19-20 ...with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you

Ephesians 3:11 This was in accordance with the eternal purpose which He carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord

9 -10 ~~to bring to light~~ **to make manifest in the light** what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things; so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the church to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenly places.

Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed you in the womb I knew you