

“GOD IS GOD” DEVOTIONAL & PRAYER

Our prayer this week focuses on “*God is God*”. Just the simple but profound truth that *God is God* in our lives and in this world and beyond.

It comes from our prayer verse Gen.1:1a “*In the beginning, God...*”

These four words begin the whole story of Who God is and His love for humanity. Our encouragement from these initial words of Scripture reminds us that God is *Divine*, He has a free, independent existence and a life of His own that is distinct from all creatures and creation. He is uncreated, uncaused, and the only true independent Being. The Bible gives no explanation of where He came from for He was always here. All other beings' and creations' existence depends fully on God because He is the *Creator* of them all. (Jn.1:3 “All things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made.”). We all depend on God for our existence but God depends on nothing for His. He said to Moses in Ex. 3:14 “*I Am Who I Am*”. God simply is. Knowing this gives us great comfort, peace and hope because when we know Who He truly is, and understand that this same amazing *Divine* God wants us to come to Him in prayer and petition, we can rest in His amazing love and purpose for us. We can pray in faith and hope that He will help us understand Who He is and that out of His own sovereign will, love, grace and mercy He has for each of us, He chose to have us born and gave us everything we need to live in this world with meaning and purpose. We can pray that He will help us understand that *He is God*, our *Creator*, our *Redeemer* and our *Provider*, the great *I Am Who I Am* needs nothing from us but gives everything to us. We can pray that we will look only to Him to fulfill our needs and our deepest longings, recognizing that only He can because He created us and knit us together in the womb, intricately designed and divinely ordained by His love. We can ask that we will understand that He contains all the love, fellowship and delight that our hearts truly long for and He offers it to us in an *infinite* supply. We can pray that we will understand we can go to Him with our needs and wants, recognizing that He is the *Source* of all provisions, the *all-sufficient* One. We can pray that we will understand that He graciously, freely and independently offers us the life-restoring gift of His Son, Jesus. He is *God, the great I Am*, Who we speak to every week and lovingly listens to our prayers and our hearts cry. So let us pray in faith and hope that He is working miracles in our lives even at this moment and know that He has a good plan for each of us and trust that He is already working it out. Let us pray:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we humbly bow before Your throne in our hearts and praise You for being *God*. We ask that I and...

(names of those you are praying for)

will understand that in the beginning there was *You*. That you are the great *I Am*, the *Divine, Sovereign Lord* of all! Lord, we believe You desire to do this for us for it is in Your Word. May we recognize our need for You and humble our hearts before your mighty throne. May our hope be in You all day long. Thank-you for loving us with an everlasting love and may it all be for the glory of Your name. In Your loving Son's name, Jesus, we pray, Amen.”