

Is Any God Like Our God?

Deuteronomy 4:32-40

Introduction

When was the last time you stopped and thought to yourself, “Is any God like my God?” Or, maybe, have you ever stopped and pondered the unique greatness of your God? When you read the Bible or you think back on your life, are you ever amazed? Are you filled with awe and wonder? Do you ever think, “How could such an incredible God love and care for me?”

This morning, we are going to encounter Moses asking the Israelites similar questions about God. If the Israelites did not understand something about the greatness of their God, they would be prone to following the gods of the nations....

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³² Ask now about the former days, long before your time, from the day God created human beings on the earth; ask from one end of the heavens to the other. Has anything so great as this ever happened, or has anything like it ever been heard of? ³³ Has any other people heard the voice of God speaking out of fire, as you have, and lived? ³⁴ **Has any god** ever tried to take for himself one nation out of another nation, by testings, by signs and wonders, by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, or by great and awesome deeds, **like all the things the LORD your God did for you** in Egypt before your very eyes?

³⁵ You were shown these things so that you might know that the LORD is God; **besides him there is no other.** ³⁶ From heaven he made you hear his voice to discipline you. On earth he showed you his great fire, and you heard his words from out of the fire. ³⁷ Because he loved your ancestors and chose their descendants after them, he brought you out of Egypt by his Presence and his great strength, ³⁸ to drive out before you nations greater and stronger than you and to bring you into their land to give it to you for your inheritance, as it is today.

³⁹ Acknowledge and take to heart this day that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth below. **There is no other.** ⁴⁰ Keep his decrees and commands, which I am giving you today, so that it may go well with you and your children after you and that you may live long in the land the LORD your God gives you for all time.

Exposition

I. Consider God's Greatness (Vv. 32-38)

Verses 32-38 function like supporting evidence for Moses' case regarding why the Israelites ought to worship the LORD exclusively. The command for the people to “ask” demonstrates that God's greatness was not unknown among the people. They were part of a heritage and history of God doing great things on behalf of His people. His greatness did not begin with their generation, but it did continue. Moses was calling the people to compare the greatness of their God with the supposed greatness of all the other gods from the surrounding nations. Yet, Moses knew the answer to his questions. They were rhetorical in nature. It was not as if the people really needed to go search out answers to his questions because there was no real question about God's greatness. He was and is greater than all the gods of the nations. Hence, **verse 34...**

So, in verse 35, Moses drives home his main point: Besides the LORD God, this is no other. No other god is worthy of comparison. No other god is worthy of the title, “god.” No other god is like our God, both now and forever! You will never find another God like this God! Look at what He has done for you!

What has God done for you? Well, for starters, while you were His enemy, He demonstrated His love for you by sending His Son into the world to die in your place for your sins so that you could be reconciled to Him.

For everyone who is in Christ, all your condemnation is gone forever.

For those of you feel enslaved to sin, God in Christ sets you free to no longer walk in slavery to your flesh.

Furthermore, God has given us His Word in the Holy Scriptures, the Bible, to speak to us and guide us.

He has promised to never leave us nor forsake us. He has promised to meet every need that we have exactly when we need it met for His glory and our good. God has promised us everlasting life. He has promised that there is coming a day when we still stop attending funerals because death will be completely defeated. He has promised that all who place their trust in Jesus Christ will live forever in His presence.

Our God is incomparably great! There is no god like our God!

II. **Respond to God's Greatness** (Vv. 39-40)

If verses 32-38 function like supporting evidence for worshipping God, then verses 39-40 function as the implicit result of verses 32-38. In other words, if what it stated in verses 32-38 is true, then verses 39-40 represent exactly how one should respond to such a great God!

If you have placed your trust in Jesus Christ, this incomparably great God is your God! He calls you to walk in His ways. Our tendency to not “keep His decrees and commands” is rooted in the fact that we do not “acknowledge Him and take heart” that He is our God! But how does acknowledging the greatness of God empower us to “take heart?” Well, consider what it means for this great God to be your God as Paul speaks to us in **Romans 8:31-39....**

Conclusion

Being in awe of God is a prerequisite to following and worshipping God with faith. If we do not have a good, though not exhaustive, grasp of who God is and what He is capable of, we will not follow Him when things are hard. Yet, in God's mercy, He has revealed Himself to us. In particular, He has revealed Himself to us in Jesus Christ!

Take a few moments to consider the greatness of your God, then, spend a few moments in prayer responding to God's greatness with thankfulness. Ask the Lord to forgive you for minimizing His greatness by focusing on or placing your trust in other things.

Finally, for those who do not yet know God, I want to ask you, who or what are you trusting in to deal with your guilt and your shame? What is your hope in life and in death? This great God welcomes you to know Him and be saved by Him. Would you turn to Him this morning?