

5 Things God cannot do

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Prayer

Heb 1:10 And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; **11** they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, **12** like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."

Many believers pray from a perspective, of what is within God's power. They assume that God can do certain things, that is simply impossible to God. These are guidelines not only to prayer but life.

1. God cannot lie

1. Inability to lie

1. Tit 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, **that cannot lie**, promised before the world began;
2. Heb 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which **it was impossible for God to lie**, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:
3. Nu 23:19 **God is nie 'n mens dat Hy sou lieg nie**, 'n mens dat Hy van gedagte sou verander nie. Sou Hy iets sê en dit nie doen nie, iets belowe en dit nie uitvoer nie?

2. God is a God of truth:

1. Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
2. Joh 14:17 Even **the Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. Also in Joh 15:26 and Joh 16:13.
3. Joh 17:17 Sanctify them through **thy truth: thy word is truth**.

3. God does not believe or have the desire to lie in order to cause freedom

1. Joh 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
2. Joh 18:37 Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

2. God cannot be unfaithfull

1. 2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, **yet he abideth faithful**: he cannot deny himself.

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2. 2Ti 2:13 if we are not stedfast, he remaineth stedfast; to deny himself he is not able.

3. God cannot sin or endure evil

1. Heb 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, **yet without sin**.
2. Isa 1:13 Bring no more vain sacrifice; incense is an abomination to Me; the new moon and sabbath, the going to meeting; **I cannot endure evil** and the assembly!
3. 1Jn 3:5 You know that he appeared to take away sins, and **in him there is no sin**.
4. 1Pe 2:22 He **committed no sin**, neither was deceit found in his mouth.

4. God cannot be tempted

1. Jas 1:13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, **neither tempteth he any man**:

5. God cannot die

1. Rev 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Things to think and do

- Have you ever asked God to do any of the above?
- What picture do you have of God?