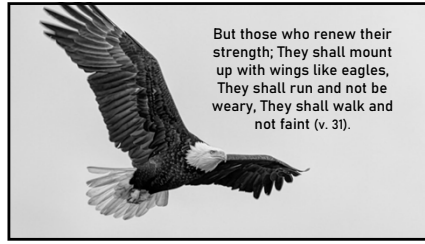
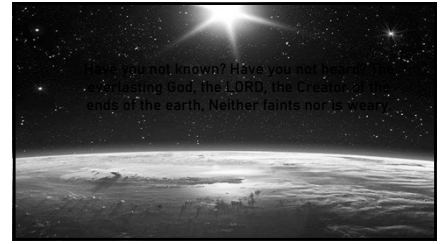




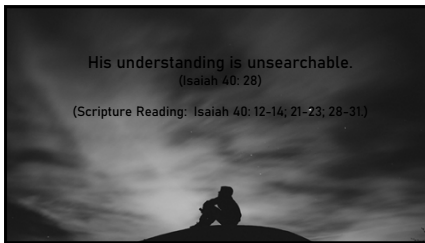
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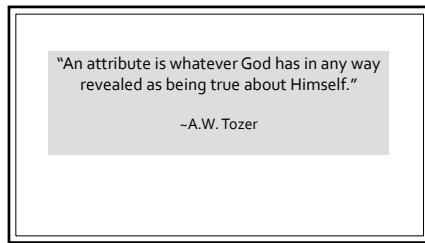
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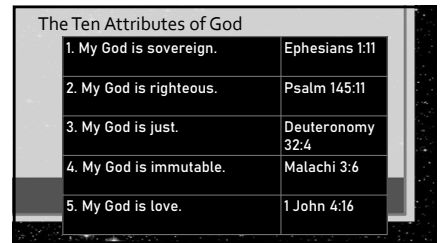
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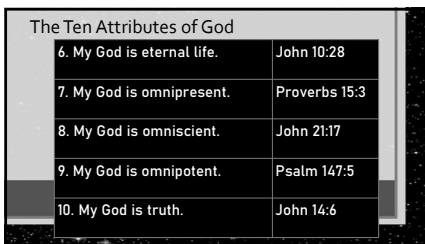
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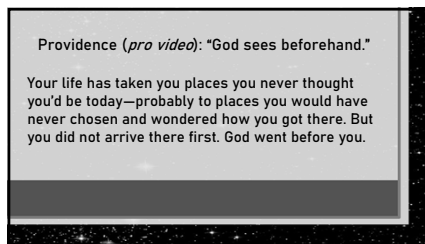
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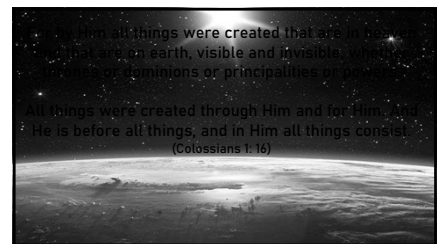
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"I will never leave you nor forsake you." So we may boldly say: "The LORD is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?"  
(Hebrews 13: 5-6)

10

Is God Really in Everything?  
In Every Moment?  
Not a sparrow falls to the ground without the Father's knowledge (Matthew 10:29).



11


The Father gives the lilies their glory.  
(Luke 12:27)



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12


The very hairs of our head are all numbered.  
(Luke 12:7)



We are not to be anxious about anything because our Father cares for us.  
(Philippians 4:6)

13



We are not to fear for the Lord is on our side.  
(Isaiah 41:10)



No one can be against us for God is for us.  
(Romans 8:31)

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We shall not want because the Lord is our Shepherd.  
(Psalm 23)

When we pass through the waters, they shall not overflow us.  
(Isaiah 43:2)

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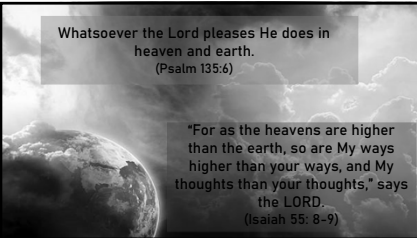
He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings and sets up kings.  
(Daniel 2:21)



He rules over all the kingdoms of the earth.  
(Psalm 22:28)

16

Whatever the Lord pleases He does in heaven and earth.  
(Psalm 135:6)



"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts," says the LORD.  
(Isaiah 55: 8-9)

17


Do you ever have days when nothing seems to go as planned?

- Too often, we think we know what a good God should do.
- In the midst of perplexities, may you "recall to mind" that you have a "God of hope . . . [so] that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."  
(Romans 15:13)

18

Jeremiah's Story


This I recall to mind, Therefore I have hope. Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning. Great is Your faithfulness.  
(Lamentations 3: 21-26)



19

Jeremiah's Story

For I know the plans I have for you . . . plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. And you shall seek me, and find me, when you shall search for me with all your heart.  
(Jeremiah 29:11 & 13)




20

Job's Story

In the book of Job, we have a front row seat as the drama unfolds regarding Job's suffering through speeches and dialogue of the characters in the story.

Even though Job, Satan, and Job's three friends are part of the story, God is the central character. Even in this invisible spiritual war, God is Sovereign. God is still on His Throne.




21

Job's Story

There are over three hundred questions in the book of Job.


But Job never questioned God's sovereignty. The God in whom Job trusted was in charge of the universe.



22

Job's Story


The one name of God used more than any other in the book of Job is "the Almighty"—31 times—  
"The All-Sufficient One."



23

Job's Story


"Can you fathom the depths of God? Can you search out the deep things of God? Can you find out the limits of the Almighty?"  
(Job 11: 7)



24

Job's Story


There was a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job, and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.  
(Job 1:1)



25

Job's Story


God begins by raising a question to Satan:  
"Have you considered My servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and shuns evil?"



26


Job's Story

Satan answered the LORD and said: "Does Job fear God for nothing? Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? . . . Touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face."  
(Job 1:9-10)



27


For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.  
(Ephesians 6: 12)



28

Job's Story


"Do you still hold fast to your integrity? Curse God and die!"  
(Job 2:9)



29

Job's Story


"Shall we indeed accept good from God, and shall we not accept adversity?"  
(Job 2:10)



30

Job's Story


"Even though He slay me, yet will I trust Him."  
(Job 13:15)



31

Job's Story


"I know that my Redeemer lives, and He shall stand at last on the earth."  
(Job 19:25)



32

Job's Story


"But He knows the way that I take; when He has tested me, I will come forth as gold."  
(Job 23: 10)



33

Job's Story


"Job did not receive explanations regarding his problems, but he did come to a much deeper sense of the majesty and loving care of God."  
-Roy B. Zuck



34

Job's Story


"When you and I hurt deeply, what we really need is not an explanation from God but a revelation of God. We need to see how great God is."  
-Warren Wiersbe



35

Joseph's Story


"We saw the anguish of his soul when he pleaded with us, and we would not hear."  
(Genesis 42:21)



36

Joseph's Story

He said to them: "It was not you who sent me here, but God."  
(Genesis 45:8)



37

Carol's Story

"It was not you who sent me here, but God."



38


Carol's Story

But as for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good.  
(Genesis 50:20)

39

God's purposes are often hidden from us. But I was not alone in that dorm room. His presence has never been more comforting.

*"The Lord stood with me and strengthened me."*  
~2 Timothy 4:17



40

Carol's Story

I cry out to God Most High, to God, who fulfills His purpose for me.  
(Psalm 57: 2)



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Carol's Story


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Carol's Story

And we know that *all* things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.  
(Romans 8: 28)

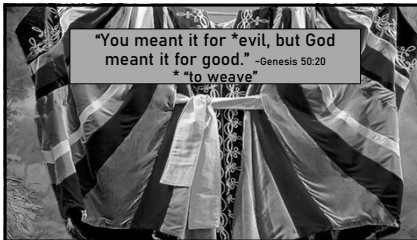
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God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in [her]. . . There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear.  
(1 John 4: 17- 18)



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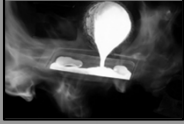
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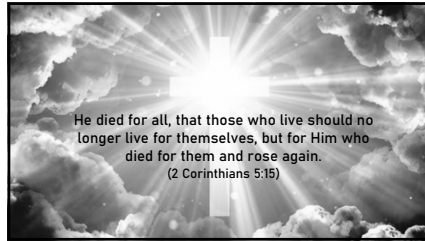
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Your Story

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ. (1 Peter 1: 7)

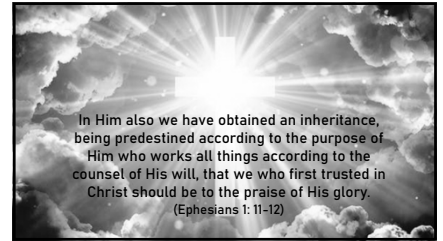


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He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again. (2 Corinthians 5:15)

47



In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory. (Ephesians 1: 11-12)


48



Therefore we do not lose heart. . . for our light affliction which is but for a moment is working for us a far more exceeding weight of glory. (2 Cor. 4: 16-18)

49

In perplexities—when we cannot tell what to do, when we cannot understand what is going on around us—let us be calmed and steadied and made patient by the thought that what is hidden from us is not hidden from God. -Frances Ridley Havergal



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