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Who God really is

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**“We have created an image of God
that makes us comfortable, but is
that really who He is...or is it just
who we want Him to be?”**

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*“God didn’t turn away from
Jesus on the cross because of
Jesus’ suffering...God could
not bear to see **your** sin.”*

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**God hates sin and loves
the sinner???**

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13 You are of purer eyes than to behold evil,
And **cannot look on
wickedness...**

Habakuk 1:13

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5 The boastful shall not stand in Your sight;
**You hate all workers of
iniquity.**

Psalm 5:5

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16 These six things **the Lord hates**,
Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:
17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that
shed innocent blood,

Proverbs 6:16-19

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18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet
that are swift in running to evil,
19 A false witness who speaks lies, And one
who sows discord among brethren

Proverbs 6:16-19

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5 The Lord tests the righteous, But the
wicked and the one who loves violence **His**
soul hates.

Psalm 11:5

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*“God is not only a God
who loves us, but also a
God who is a judge who
might damn us”*

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16 For **God so loved the world**
that He gave His only begotten Son, that
whoever believes in Him should not perish
but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

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36 He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and **he who does not believe** the Son shall not see life, but **the wrath of God abides on him."**

John 3:36

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28 Anyone who has rejected
Moses' law **dies without**
mercy on the testimony of two or three
witnesses.

Hebrews 10:28-31

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29 Of **how much worse
punishment**, do you suppose, will he
be thought worthy who has **trampled
the Son of God underfoot**,

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counted the blood of the covenant by which
he was sanctified **a common thing**,
and **insulted the Spirit of**
grace?

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30 For we know Him who said,
**"Vengeance is Mine, I will
repay,"** says the Lord. And again, **"The
Lord will judge** His people."

Hebrews 10:28-31

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31 **It is a fearful thing** to fall into the hands of the living God.

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13 **And you, being dead** in your
trespasses and the uncircumcision of your
flesh, **He has made alive** together
with Him, **having forgiven you** all
trespasses,

Colossians 2:13

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5 even when **we were dead** in
trespasses, made us alive together with
Christ (by grace you have been saved),

Ephesians 2:5

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Who we really are

What we really need

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***“Only God can bring the dead
back to life...and we are dead
apart from Jesus.”***

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17 Therefore, **if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.**

2 Cor 5:17

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Who God really is
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How should we respond?

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“Your image of God will largely determine how you respond to the gospel that Jesus preached .”

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***“Take God seriously and
believe that you need Jesus .”***

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21 "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

Matt 7:21-23

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22 **Many will say to Me** in that day,
'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your
name, cast out demons in Your name, and
done many wonders in Your name?'

Matt 7:21-23

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23 And then **I will declare to them,**
'I never knew you; depart from Me,
you who practice lawlessness!'

Matt 7:21-23

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***“Take God seriously and
believe that others need Jesus .”***

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*“God does love us and sent Jesus
to make a way for us to be
accepted, but let us never forget
how desperately we all need
Jesus.”*

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What is your image of God?