

The Nature of God
Numbers 23:19
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Thesis: I want to show what the scripture reveals about the nature of God.

Intro: 1. Over the years many questions have been asked about the Nature of God.
2. Tonight, we will simply look at some aspects that the Bible reveals about the Nature of God.

I. The nature of God:

1. "God is not a man, that he should lie."
 1. God is a spirit
 - a. **John 4:24** – God is spirit thus not flesh and bones
 - b. You could say God is not like man
"You thought I was altogether like you..." (Ps 50:21b)
 - c. In the second place, God does not lie.
 1. **Titus 1:2**
 2. **Hebrews 6:18** "impossible for God to lie."
 3. Therefore, when God today says:
 - a. If we sin willfully there remains no more sacrifice,
it is the truth (**Heb 10:25-26**)
 - b. The same with worship (**Jn 4:24**)
 - c. The same with being baptized (**Mk 16:16**)
 - d. The same about improper conduct (**Rom 1:28-32**)

Some talk & live as if God is lying or that He will keep His word concerning those who disobey.

2. "Or a son of man, that he should repent"
 - A. God is not like men, who do wrong things and then need to repent.
B. 1 Peter 2:22
 - C. Some today want so desperately to make Jesus to be merely like all men, that they are claiming that He sinned, even committing adultery with Mary Magdalene.
 - D. But God and Jesus never committed adultery, or any other immoral or unethical action. He was never dishonest. He never gossiped, or slandered anyone. (**Isaiah 53:9**)
3. "Has he said, and shall he not do it?" (He always keeps His word.)
 - A. **Leviticus 10:3**
 - B. **Revelation 21:8**
4. "Or has he spoken, and shall he not make it good (fulfill it)?" (He always keeps his promises)
 - A. **Hebrews 6:17-18** (God cannot not lie, thereby He keeps & fulfills all promises.
 - B.

Application & Conclusion:

1. **Psalm 145:3**
2. **Romans 11:33-36**
3. Full Invitation

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Luke 13:3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – Rev 2:10,

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9