

I. Comparison

	Key Truth:	God Is Not Like Us	
II.	Thoughts & Deeds Of The Wicked		Psalm 50:19-23
	19-20		Evil, Deceit, Slander
	21-22		Misunderstood Silence
	23	Sacrific	e, Thanksgiving, Salvation

Point: We Can Neither Diminish Nor Redefine God

III. Undeniable Distinction

Mid-Week Devotion

(Take time this week to pray & respond to the following)

Analogies and comparisons are useful tools to help someone understand a new or difficult concept. They serve as "thought bridges" which connect the unfamiliar to the familiar so that learning can occur. Analogies and comparisons are powerful tools, but they do have their limits. Some ideas and truths are so big or complex that they transcend the scope of human comprehension.

Trying to capture the identity, majesty and holiness of God in words has been a struggle for people throughout history. While there are some shared characteristics between the Creator and His creation, one must understand that God, in some very important and distinct ways, is not like us. It is a tragic and terrible error to try to force God into a man-centric paradigm. The very act is an affront to His immeasurable glory. You need to guard against the sin of diminishing God or recasting Him in the mold of a mere man. We have been created by the only omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent being in the cosmos. Even the cosmos finds its origin in Him. He is the uncaused-first-cause of everything.

The undeniable distinction of the Creator from His creation is a profound mystery and comforting, unfailing source of security for His people. He deserves our faith and worship. Not because He needs it, but because we cannot make sense of our own identity, value, and purpose without Him. Have you been praying to, worshipping, or serving a "diminished" God? Are you guilty of thinking that you have God all figured out? The enemy wants you to believe the lie that God is like us because it inhibits our ability to thrive in His incomparable beauty and love.

Prayerfully reflect on the mystery and wonder of God's immeasurable glory. Ask God to give you a desire to worship and serve Him in accordance with His will.