

VERSES ON THE CREATOR-CREATURE DISTINCTION

Genesis 1:1 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Exodus 20:11 11 In six days Yahweh made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

Numbers 23:19 19 God is not a man, that he should lie, nor a son of man, that he should change his mind (נחם).

Deuteronomy 4:39 39 Know therefore today and lay it to your heart, that Yahweh is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath. There is no other.

Nehemiah 9:6 6 You are Yahweh, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. And you preserve all of them. And the host of heaven worships you.

Psalms 100:3 3 Know that Yahweh, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his. We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Psalms 148:1-6 1 Hallelujah! Praise Yahweh from the heavens. Praise him in the heights! 2 Praise him, all his angels, praise him, all his hosts! 3 Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars! 4 Praise him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of Yahweh! For he commanded, and they were created. 6 And he established them forever and ever. He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

Isaiah 40:25-26 25 To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. 26 Lift up your eyes on high and see. Who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name. By the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing.

Isaiah 44:24 24 I am Yahweh who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, who spread out the earth by myself.

Isaiah 45:18 18 Thus says Yahweh, who created the heavens (he is the God who formed the earth and made it, he established it and did not create it a waste place, but formed it to be inhabited), I am Yahweh, and there is none else.

Isaiah 46:9-10 9 I am God, and there is no other. I am God, and there is none like me, 10 declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose.

Isaiah 48:12-13 12 Listen to me, Jacob, and Israel, whom I called! I am he. I am the first, and I am the last. 13 My hand laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand spread out the heavens. When I call to them, they stand forth together.

Ezekiel 34:31 31 As for you, my sheep, the sheep of my pasture, you are men (אָדָם), and I am your God (אֱלֹהֵיכֶם), declares Lord Yahweh.

Hosea 11:9 9 I will not execute my burning anger. I will not again destroy Ephraim. For I am God and not a man, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

Matthew 19:26 26 Looking at them Jesus said to them, With people [salvation] is impossible, but with God all things are possible.

Luke 18:27 27 The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.

Acts 12:21-23 21 On an appointed day Herod, having put on his royal apparel, took his seat on the rostrum and began delivering an address to them. 22 The people kept crying out, The voice of a god and not of a man! 23 And immediately an angel of the Lord struck him because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms¹ and died.

Acts 14:11-15 11 When the crowds [of Lystra] saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycaonian, The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men! 12 Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, Hermes, because he was the chief speaker. 13 And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds. 14 But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out into the crowd crying out, 15 Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men, of like nature with you, and we bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all that is in them.

Acts 17:24-29 24 The God who made the world and all things in it, because he is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands. 25 Nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, because he himself gives to all people life, breath, and all things. 26 And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, 27 that they would seek God, if perhaps they might grope for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. 28 For in him we live, move, and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, For we also are his children (γένεος). 29 Being then the children (γένεος) of God, we ought not to think that the divine nature (θεῖος) is like gold, silver, or stone, an image (χάραγμα) formed by the art and thought of man.

Romans 1:19-25 19 That which is known about God is evident within men, for God made it evident to them. 20 For since the creation of the world his invisible attributes, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. 21 For even though they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man, of birds, four-footed

¹ God is the Creator of worms. He is not a worm, and he cannot be eaten by them.

animals, and crawling creatures. 24 Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25 For they exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Revelation 4:8-11 8 Day and night [the four living creatures] never cease to say, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was, is, and is to come! 9 And whenever the living creatures give glory, honor, and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne saying, 11 Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory, honor, and power, for you created all things, and by your desire they existed and were created.

Revelation 15:4 4 Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy (ἅγιος).