

VERSES ON THE INDEPENDENCE OF GOD¹

Genesis 1:1 1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.²

Exodus 3:14 14 God said to Moses, I Am Who I Am. And he said, Say this to the people of Israel: I Am has sent me to you.

Job 41:10-11 10 Who then is he who can stand before me? 11 Who has first given to me, that I should repay him? Whatever is under the whole heaven is mine.

Psalms 50:12 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine.

Psalms 90:2 2 Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Psalms 115:3 3 Our God is in the heavens. He does all that he pleases.³

Proverbs 21:1 1 The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of Yahweh. He turns it wherever he desires.

Daniel 4:35 35 All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and [the Most High] does according to his desire among the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. And none can stay his hand or say to him, What have you done?

Acts 17:24-25 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, 25 nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, because he himself gives to all mankind life, breath, and everything.

Romans 11:35-36 35 Who has given a gift to [the Lord] that he might be repaid? 36 For from him, through him, and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

1 Corinthians 8:6 6 For us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Messiah, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

Ephesians 1:11 11 In [Messiah] we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of [God the Father] who works all things according to the counsel of his desire.

¹ A synonym is the freedom of God. See *Verses on the Creator-Creature Distinction*, *Verses on the Sovereignty of God*, and *Verses on the Transcendence of God*.

² God chose by his own desire, without consulting anyone else, to create the universe.

³ God is bound only by his own character.

Revelation 4:9-11 9 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 (θέλημα) they existed and were created.