

## ***VERSES ON THE TRANSCENDENCE OF GOD<sup>1</sup>***

**1 Kings 8:27** 27 Will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you. How much less this house that I [Solomon] have built!

**2 Chronicles 6:18** 18 Will God indeed dwell with man on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you, how much less this house that I [Solomon] have built!

**Psalms 113:4-6** 4 Yahweh is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens! 5 Who is like Yahweh our God, who is seated on high, 6 who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?

**Psalms 115:3** 3 Our God is in the heavens. He does all that he pleases.<sup>2</sup>

**Psalms 138:5-6** 5 [The kings of the earth] shall sing of the ways of Yahweh, for great is the glory of Yahweh. 6 For though Yahweh is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.<sup>3</sup>

**Isaiah 33:5-6** 5 Yahweh is exalted, for he dwells on high.

**Isaiah 57:15** 15 Thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

**Isaiah 66:1-2** 1 Thus says Yahweh: Heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool. What is the house that you would build for me, and what is the place of my rest? 2 All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares Yahweh.

**Jeremiah 23:23-24** 23 Am I a God at hand, declares Yahweh, and not a God far away? 24 Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares Yahweh. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares Yahweh.

**Ephesians 1:3-4** 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Messiah, who has blessed us in Messiah with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4 even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.

**Ephesians 2:6** 6 [God] raised us up with [Messiah] and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Messiah Jesus.

**Ephesians 4:6** 6 [There is] one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Verses on the Creator-Creature Distinction*, *Verses on the Eternity of God*, *Verses on the Immanence of God*, and *Verses on the Independence of God*.

<sup>2</sup> See *The Independence of God*.

<sup>3</sup> God's transcendence does not mean he cannot be immanent. He is not always, as K. Barth says, wholly other.