

INCOMPREHENSIBLE!
YET KNOWABLE!

Key Scriptures summarized

- **PSALM 145:1-3** Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable.
[...His greatness no one can fathom. (NIV)]
[...No one can measure his greatness. (NLT)]
- **ISAIAH 55: 6-9** Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near...
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.
- **DEUTERONOMY 29:29** The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things that are revealed belong to us and to our children forever.

The Main Point

- God is Incomprehensible because no one can comprehend him fully. (All of God's attributes are incomprehensible.)
- God is Knowable because he has revealed certain things about himself.

Two Errors to avoid

- **God is unknowable.** If He is incomprehensible, then He must be utterly unknowable; it is impossible to say anything true or false about him.
- **God is totally knowable.** He is our friend. We, who are finite, can fully comprehend him, who is infinite.

Good Quotes

The yearning to know what cannot be known, to comprehend the Incomprehensible, to touch and taste the Unapproachable, arises from the image of God in the nature of man.

A. W. Tozer The Knowledge of the Holy © 1961

The appropriate response to God is a heart of wonder and awe in light of his incomprehensible greatness.

God's incomprehensibility also means that beliefs can be held with firm conviction even though they may be filled with inexplicable mystery.

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Other Scriptures - God is Incomprehensible

PSALM 147:5 / ISAIAH 40 / ISAIAH 57:15 / ISAIAH 66:1-2
MATTHEW 8:27 / JOHN 8:58 / ROMANS 11:33-36

Other Scriptures - God Reveals

LUKE 10:21-24 / HEBREWS 1:1-2 / REVELATION 1:1