

GREAT IN THE BIBLE

"Great" is better than "good." It's a word that we understand to mean something that is more than the ordinary and worthy of attention. In God's word, there are a number of things that He calls great and each of them can provide us with a deeper understanding of God and His will.

God is Great

God is awesome! He is amazing! And it almost goes without saying... God is GREAT! In the Old Testament, we are reminded of how great our God is on a number of occasions. King David, in his thankfulness to God, praised God as a great God and said He is "greatly to be praised" (I Chronicles 16:25). The prophet Isaiah also gave praise to the Holy One, of Israel, saying He is great (Isaiah 12:6). Let not a day go by in our lives wherein we fail to recall that our God and Father is great.

The Righteous are Great

Those who make it their aim to please God are great in His sight. Certainly, not a single Christian is really worthy to be considered great. But, certainly we are thankful that God sees us that way! In His promise to Abraham, God stated that He would make Abraham's name and nation great if He followed the Holy commands (Genesis 12:2). And even Jesus Himself stated that those who keep His commandments will be called great (Matthew 5:19).

Love is Great

In the great chapter of love, the apostle Paul gives emphasis to three things: faith, hope and love. But Paul says that the greatest of these three is love (I Corinthians 13:13). Love is powerful and meaningful. Jesus loved us so much that He died for us (John 3:16). Consequently, we should love Him and each other for love is very great.

God's Faithfulness is Great

Speaking of our God, Jeremiah the prophet said very plainly in Lamentations 3:23, "Great is Your faithfulness." The Hebrew writer stated God's promise wherein He would never leave us and never forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). We must all agree that such faithfulness is amazing. Yet, it is what God has promised if only we seek Him and do His will.

God's grace is astonishing. He is truly an amazing God, worthy of our praise. Indeed, He is GREAT!

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