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Is this '**the God of forces**' just another 'god' or as the title suggests, is it 'God'?

## **DO CAPITALS REFER TO DEITY?**

To draw a parallel, let us look at the term "**Son of man**". We see a big "**S**" and so we think that this refers to Jesus Christ. However, we find Ezekiel 3:17 that Ezekiel is also called **Son of man** (albeit at the start of a sentence).

Furthermore, we find the title of **the son of man** also refers to ordinary man (Numbers 23:19), but there is only one **the Son of man** (Matthew 8:20) who is Jesus Christ.

Now, almost without exception, in the scriptures, when the term '**God**' or '**god**' is written, the reader can very easily distinguish what or which God is being referred to.

There is **the god of this world** (satan) (2Corinthians 4:4) and then there is **the God of heaven** (Genesis 24:3) who is **the God of truth** (Isaiah 65:16).

## **THE DILEMMA**

In the Scriptures, capitals mean the name of a person or the Deity of God. For example, there is the one true God eg **for I am God, and there is none else** (Isaiah 45:22).

However, the problem arises when the title of **'the God of forces'** is used as it has a capital **"G"**. Does this necessarily refer to **"God"**?

In scriptures, satan is addressed with a small "g" and never a big "G" eg **the god of this world** (2Corinthians 4:4). So it is a little confusing as to who this **"the God of forces"** is.

### **GOD'S TITLES**

These titles explain themselves - **the God of heaven, and the God of the earth** (Gen 24:3); **I am the God of Abraham** (Gen 26:24); **the God of Isaac** (Gen 28:13); **the God of my father** (Gen 31:5); the God of Bethel (Gen 31:13); **the God which fed me all my life long unto this day** (Gen 48:15); **I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob** (Ex 3:6); **The God of the Hebrews** (Ex 5:3); **the God of Israel** (Ex 24:10); **the God of the spirits of all flesh** (Num 16:22); **the God of Jeshurun** (Deut 33:16); **The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; The God of my rock** (2 Sam 22:2-3); **the God of the land** (2 Kings 17:27); **The God of the whole earth** (Is 54:5); **the God of David thy father** (2Kings 20:5); **the God of their fathers** (1Chron 5:25); **the God of Jerusalem** (2Chron 32:19); **the God of Hezekiah** (2Chron 32:17); **the God of my salvation** (Psalm 18:46); **the God of glory** (Ps 29:3); **the God of my life/strength** (Ps 42:8, 43:2); **The God of my mercy** (Ps 59:10); **the God of gods** (Ps 136:2); **the God of hosts, the God of Israel** (Jer 38:17); **the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego** (Daniel 3:28); **the God of Daniel** (Dan 6:26); **the God of judgment** (Mal 2:17); **God is not the God of the dead, but of the living** (Matt 22:32); **the God of patience and consolation** (Rom 15:5); **the God of hope** (Rom 15:13); the God of all comfort (2Cor 1:3); **the God of peace** (Rom 16:20); **the God of our Lord Jesus Christ** (Eph 1:17); **the God of all grace** (1Peter 5:10).

### **SATAN'S TITLES**

These titles also explain themselves - **Chemosh the god of the Moabites** (1Kings 11:33); **the god of the children of Ammon** (1Kings 11:33); **the god of Ekron** (2Kings 1:6); **the god of this world** (2Corinthians 4:4)

### **IT IS THE TITLE THAT IS CONFUSING - NOT WHO HE IS**

We know who he is. Firstly, the antichrist of Daniel 11:38, honours **the God of forces** with gold silver and stones. Now we know that God is to be worshipped in spirit and in truth (John 4:23) and with a broken spirit and contrite heart (Psalm 51:17) not with the physical of gems and precious metals.

Secondly, the verse states that **the God of forces** as he speaks against **the God of gods - And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods,** (Daniel 11:36).

Thirdly, nowhere in Scripture is the term **God of forces** used as a title for **God**.

Fourthly, it's a god who his fathers know not. This "God" is definitely not God.

### **THE KEY**

**"But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces"** (Daniel 11:38).

The word estate can mean 'condition' or 'status' meaning the estate of someone is their status. It can also mean 'position', 'rank', 'place', 'standard', 'circumstances' and 'domain'. Various places in the scriptures this word is used are –

**I communed with mine own heart, saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: yea, my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.** (Ecclesiastes 1:16)

**I said in mine heart concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God might manifest them, and that they might see that they themselves are beasts.** (Ecclesiastes 3:18)

**Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts;** (Colossians 4:8)

Now, it would seem that a person's estate is connected with their heart or someone else's heart.

#### **WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT 'THE HEART'?**

**The transgression of the wicked saith within my heart, that there is no fear of God before his eyes.** (Psalm 36:1)

**the heart of the wicked is little worth** (Proverbs 20:10)

**The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?** (Jeremiah 17:9)

The vast estate of his physical wealth, blinds the antichrist (an actual man) as he communes "**in his estate**" which is his own heart, and he comes up with another "God" which is not God. It is the God of forces. It is called "**the God of forces**" to reinforce **this deity of his own mind. It just looks like "God"**. The God of forces is satan himself that masquerades as God.

The deception and the lie that he believes, is such, that he believes that his 'God' (to which he ascribes deity), in reality is only another god, but he can't see this. So desperately wicked is his own heart!

#### **THE END OF THE ANTICHRIST**

However in his own mind and realm of experience, **the God of forces** is far superior to **the God of gods** which he speaks out against "... **the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.**" (Daniel 11:36)

Generally speaking, such is the estate of the wicked. Such is the mind of the Christ rejecter. Such is the mind of people headed for hell having rejected the one true Saviour. And such is the end of the antichrist (the beast), the false prophet and satan himself. Looking out the rear window, they wail and cry for future relief but all to no avail.

We are to be reminded of the end that awaits the antichrist (the first beast of Revelation 13:1) and all Christ rejecters "... **If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:** (Revelation 14:9-10).

**And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.**"

(Revelation 20:10)

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