

God Is Active By Trey Sullins

We have all heard the ideas that God does not exist, or God is dead. Usually those who believe this will first argue something along the lines of “well I have never seen God do anything; therefore, he does not exist.” Another very common line is “how could a god allow these bad things to happen in the world?” With all these far reaching and varied beliefs the question comes “Is God active?”

God’s activity is seen in creation. This is easily seen in numerous places where descriptions of God creative power are referenced. Revelation 4:11 says, “For You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created.” Psalm 33:6-8 says, “By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses.” In John 1:1-4, Colossians 1:16, and Hebrews 1:2 the Bible shows that Jesus Christ was also active in creation. Still to this day all things remain safe and the cycle of life continues because of Him (Colossians 1:17). From even before the beginning of this Earth God has proven Himself to be active.

God’s activity is seen in revelation. Very soon after the creation of man, God began to reveal His will. Adam and Even were given the instructions which God required of them (Genesis 2:17). God continued to reveal His will for many all the way through the Old Testament. He was active in commanding the law of Moses. He was active in calling the judges and instructing them. He was constantly revealing His will during the time of the kings. For thousands of years this pattern continued. Then in John 1:1 the very Son of God came to speak to us on behalf of God (Hebrews 1:2). Jesus travelled around and declared God and His will to the world (John 1:17-18). When Jesus left the earth, He left the Holy Spirit, the Helper, to guide and teach the will of God (John 14:26). God’s word was sent and persists on this earth even to today so that we might have the breath of God and the words “pertaining to life and godliness” (2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:3).

God’s activity is seen in salvation. When we go all the way back to few people on this earth, we find that God had a religious pattern for them. This pattern was meant to keep people right with God and persists all throughout history. The whole system pointed unto the Son of God, Jesus Christ who died “once for all” that we might have salvation (Hebrews 10:10). In fact, the purpose for Christ coming to this earth was to reveal the will of God so that we might have salvation. 1 Corinthians 1:30 says, “But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption.” Jesus Christ became the wisdom of God so that we might know how to be righteous, sanctified, and redeemed; Therefore, He came so we can be saved! God’s continued activity is certain because of the fact that this salvation is still open to all who obey Him. 2 Peter 3:9 declares that God is longsuffering, does not want any to perish, and wants all to come to repentance.

Is God active? Of course! Whenever you look into the scriptures you find that God has not removed Himself nor has, He deserted us. He is still there watching over us, receiving our prayers, and loving us every single day. God’s has been involved in creation, revelation, and salvation all throughout time. What we must do is choose to be active in obedience to Him and His word!