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TOPIC: EVERLAST FATHER NEVER LEAVES US ALONE. FIRST THREE DAYS - DAY 3

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Text: Isaiah 40:28-29

[28] Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

[29] He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.

In verse29, God wants to get involved in our subjectivity by making his power perfect in our weakness. The word group "faint" and "be/grow weary" is the key to this passage, occurring seven times. God is speaking to weak, tired, discouraged people. Who are "the faint" in verse 29? They're the complainers quoted in verse 27. So, how are these people faint and weak and weary? They're weak in faith. Their fatigue is spiritual. They're weak in courage. They feel like quitting. And it's weaklings like them (and like us) who receive the power of God to live with our heads held high and with a lively confidence in a big God, because we can see in his promise a bright future for us out there beyond the barbed wire. People who find their reasons for living in God have an uncanny resilience about them. They live in ongoing renewal.

How does God do this?

He Renews Those Who Wait for Him

Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40:30, 31

We always read in the Bible that God is eternal. By definition, the word eternal means without an end and without a beginning, which is what God is. He has no end and no beginning and yet he is the beginning and the end of things.

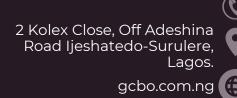
He was never created and is never able to experience death. He has power over all things because he is eternal. We know this in reference to the definition of the word eternal and yet what does this really mean for us, for the world, and for our future?

God Is the Beginning of Time

In the first book of the Bible, God is described as the beginning and the one who created everything. We can read this in Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth" and further towards Genesis 1:3, "And God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."

This means that God is the start of everything, and this also means that before God made the heavens and the earth, he already existed.





While we do not know what happened before God created our surroundings, we know that he exists beyond time. Time is irrelevant for God because he invented time itself.

Abraham knew the nature of our eternal God in Genesis 21:33, "Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba and called there on the name of the Lord, the Everlasting God." Abraham's acknowledgment of God's eternal nature can inspire us to do the same.

If we understand fully that God is eternal and beyond time, we can fathom his greatness and be assured that he can do anything, even pass judgment on time. Our time today may be short or fast, yet it is irrelevant for God because he is eternal.

God's Dominion Is Eternal.

In Psalm 145:13, we read that God's dominion is eternal, "Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations." Psalm 90:2 also notes this as an everlasting rule, "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God."

We can also read this in Colossians 1:16, "For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him."

God being eternal means that God's dominance towards everything, living and non-living, or spiritual, is forever. It does not stop.

His power is eternal. Romans 1:20 speaks of God's "eternal power" and Deuteronomy 33:27 refers to the Lord as the "eternal God."

Having someone to lead us for eternity is very comforting. It means that he can lead our lives forever and he can lead the lives of our future families and relatives.

We feel assured that God is able to point us to the lighted path because he will always be with us even after we depart from this worldly life.

God Is the Eternal Rock

Figuratively and literally, God is our rock. Isaiah 26:4 says, "Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord, the Lord himself, is the Rock eternal." We must trust in God because he is our shoulder whenever we need it or even if we don't.

He always has our backs so much so that he gave his only begotten son to save us. We can read this in John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

In Ephesians 3:11, he accomplished his purpose in Jesus, "according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord." Shortly after, Jesus became the Word, as written in John 1:1, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

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Life is full of trials and tribulations. Sometimes, we get tired from all the battles that we have to face. However, knowing that God is our figurative and literal rock makes us realize that we are in good hands.

We have a rock to lean on and we have a rock that makes us see the positive side of this world full of strife.

(a possible trace of Mary's side of the family). Not an insignificant aside is God used all sorts of people, including a Moabite woman (Ruth in Ruth 4:18-22), a prostitute (Rahab in Joshua 6:23-25 and Matthew 1:5), and an adulteress (Bathsheba in 2 Samuel 12:24). The point is God shows no partiality, and He will use families for His purposes in His perfect timing (Isaiah 55:8; Acts 10:34; Romans 2;11; Galatians 4:4).

Genesis 21:33-34

[33]Then Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there called on the name of the Lord, the Everlasting God.

[34] And Abraham stayed in the land of the Philistines many days.

Psalms 90:2

[2]Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

What is the difference between God eternal and everlasting?

Eternal/everlasting.

Everlasting: God exists within time. Eternal: God exists outside of time.

How is God everlasting?

He was never created and is never able to experience death. He has power over all things because he is eternal.

What does the Bible say about God being everlasting?

Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

What is the attribute of God everlasting?

He has always existed and will never cease to exist. He has no starting point and has no ending point. Everything that is not God is created and finite. Even in the eternal state, we were created and therefore dependent upon the eternal being of God.

What makes God eternal?

A. This means that God has no beginning and no end. He has always existed and will never cease to exist. He has no starting point and has no ending point.

God is eternal because he is beyond time, his dominion is everlasting, he is our eternal rock, and that he lives forever.

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In essence, you can summarize God's eternality in that He is (1) without beginning, (2) without end, and (3) without succession of time.