

# Isaiah 40 Who is God?

Imagining God – misrepresenting God

## What is God?

Spirit

Personal

v.10-11

Perfect

## What's he called?

Old Testament (Hebrew)

- El (Elohim, Elyon) – strong, almighty, God most high
- El Shaddai – a God who brings comfort and blessing to his people
- Adonai (Lord) – the supreme ruler
- Jehovah or Yahweh (LORD) – unchanging and faithful

v.9-11

New Testament (Greek)

- Theos (God): more personal: “your God”, “my God”, “our God”
- Kurios (Lord): the supreme ruler, everything belongs to him
- Pater (Father) father of the believers, more personal and individual
- the Son, the Holy Spirit

## **What's he like?**

**omnipotent:** v.22-26

**omnipresent**

**omniscient:** v.12-14

**Independent** v.18-22

**Unchangeable and Infinite** v.6-8

## **Where is he?**

*Deism – God does not intervene, we can only know God by reason and observing nature, not by revelation*

v.27-31 - up close and personal

v.1-5 - has revealed himself