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Conceptions of God vary considerably. Many notable theologians and philosophers have developed arguments for and against the existence of God. Atheism rejects the belief in any deity. Agnosticism is the belief that the existence of God is unknown or unknowable. Some theists view knowledge concerning God as derived from faith. God is often conceived as the greatest entity in existence. God is often believed to be the cause of all things and so is seen as the creator, sustainer, and ruler of the universe. God is often thought of as incorporeal and independent of the material creation, which was initially called pantheism, although church theologians, in attacking pantheism, described pantheism as the belief that God is the material universe itself. God is sometimes seen as omnibenevolent, while deism holds that God is not involved with humanity apart from creation.

Some traditions attach spiritual significance to maintaining some form of relationship with God, often involving acts such as worship and prayer, and see God as the source of all moral obligation. God is sometimes described without reference to gender, while others use terminology that is gender-specific. God is referred to by different names depending on the language and cultural tradition, sometimes with different titles of God used in reference to God's various attributes.

Results of a 2020 PhilPapers survey organized by philosophers David Chalmers and David Bourget demonstrated that approximately 67% of philosophers generally align with an atheistic view of God, while approximately 19% of philosophers generally align with a theistic view, and approximately 14% of philosophers align with other views.

One of Us (Joan Osborne song)

of questioning God's anthropomorphism ("What if God was one of us?") inviting the listener to question how one might relate to such a God: for example "Would

"One of Us" is a song by American singer Joan Osborne for her debut studio album, *Relish* (1995). Written by Eric Bazilian of the Hooters and produced by Rick Chertoff, the song was released on November 21, 1995, by Blue Gorilla and Mercury, as Osborne's debut single and lead single from *Relish*. It became a hit in November of that year, peaking at number four on the US Billboard Hot 100, becoming Osborne's only charting single and earning three Grammy nominations: Song of the Year, Record of the Year and Best Female Pop Vocal Performance.

"One of Us" was also a hit around the world, topping the charts of Australia, Canada, Flanders, and Sweden, reaching number six on the UK Singles Chart, and becoming a top-20 hit in at least 12 other countries. The song went on to serve as the opening theme for the American television series *Joan of Arcadia*. The music video for "One of Us" was directed by Mark Seliger and Fred Woodward, and filmed in Coney Island, New York City. In 2007, the song was ranked at number 54 on VH1's "100 Greatest Songs of the '90s" and number ten on the network's "40 Greatest One Hit Wonders of the '90s".

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The meaning of this statement is that since, as Nietzsche says, "the belief in the Christian God has become unbelievable", everything that was "built upon this faith, propped up by it, grown into it", including "the whole [...] European morality", is bound to "collapse".

Other philosophers had previously discussed the concept, including Philipp Mainländer and Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel. The phrase is also discussed in the Death of God theology.

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"What hath God wrought", the official first Morse code message transmitted in the US on May 24, 1844, to officially open the Baltimore–Washington telegraph line

What Hath God Wrought? The History of the Salvation Army in Canada, a 1952 book by Arnold Brown

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The film contains production credit from Rodger's future wife, Soumaya Akaaboune, as well as a special thanks credit to Rodger's son, Elliot.

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Pulitzer Prize for History, reviewers widely praised *What Hath God Wrought*. Historian Richard Carwardine said it "lays powerful claim to being the best work ever written on this period of the American past."

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"God Is" received lukewarm reviews from music critics, who were moderately positive towards West's vocals. Some praised its gospel theme, while numerous critics commended the production. The song debuted at number 36 on the US Billboard Hot 100, while peaking at numbers four and six on the Gospel Songs and Christian Songs charts, respectively. It reached numbers 39 and 40 on the ARIA Singles Chart and Canadian Hot 100, respectively. The song was certified gold in the United States by the Recording Industry Association of America. An alternate version was recorded by West and Dr. Dre for their collaborative remix album, *Jesus Is King Part II*.

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God in Judaism

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God is seen as unique and perfect, free from all faults, and is believed to be omnipotent, omnipresent, omniscient, and unlimited in all attributes, with no partner or equal, serving as the sole creator of everything in existence. In Judaism, God is never portrayed in any image. The Torah specifically forbade ascribing partners to share his singular sovereignty, as he is considered to be the absolute one without a second, indivisible, and incomparable being, who is similar to nothing and nothing is comparable to him. Thus, God is unlike anything in or of the world as to be beyond all forms of human thought and expression. The names

of God used most often in the Hebrew Bible are the Tetragrammaton (Hebrew: יהוה, romanized: YHWH) and Elohim. Other names of God in traditional Judaism include Adonai, El-Elyon, El Shaddai, and Shekhinah.

According to the rationalistic Jewish theology articulated by the Medieval Jewish philosopher and jurist Moses Maimonides, which later came to dominate much of official and traditional Jewish thought, God is understood as the absolute one, indivisible, and incomparable being who is the creator deity—the cause and preserver of all existence. Maimonides affirmed Avicenna's conception of God as the Supreme Being, both omnipresent and incorporeal, necessarily existing for the creation of the universe while rejecting Aristotle's conception of God as the unmoved mover, along with several of the latter's views such as denial of God as creator and affirmation of the eternity of the world. Traditional interpretations of Judaism generally emphasize that God is personal yet also transcendent and able to intervene in the world, while some modern interpretations of Judaism emphasize that God is an impersonal force or ideal rather than a supernatural being concerned with the universe.

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