

# STUPID & SMART WAYS TO THINK ABOUT GOD

## Stupid Ways to Think About GOD

**Stupid way 1. God the cosmic bellhop**-expecting God to jump to it to give you whatever you want an infantile desire to manipulate & control others- making God n extension of your own desires

**Stupid Way 2. GOD as Miss Sunshine**- making God bland & pleasant

**Stupid Way 3. God the Punisher**-his cruel wrath evokes fearful compliance, threats of doom cause suppression

**Stupid Way 4. God the Godfather**- God is not just interested in favoring one group- but all. God does not say you owe him after he blesses you

**Stupid Way 5. God the General** - God is not territorial, he interacts with human history to establish morality & justice, not infect violence to insure his victory

**Stupid Way 6. God the Garbage man** - God is not a collector of cheap sin

**Stupid Way 7. God the Macho Man** - God is not strong, silent, distant, demanding or controlling, he heals & nurtures

**Stupid Way 8. God the Political Candidate**- God is not a demagogue. God knows there is no faith without freedom of choice

**Stupid Way 9. God as Mother Nature** -God is not just in his creation, but beyond it as creator

**Stupid Way 10. God the Master or Ceremonies**- God is not only interested in special events

## Smart Ways to Think About GOD...

**Smart Way 1. God Is the Beginning**- he has infinite potential- all possibilities are part of his nature

**Smart Way 2. God Is Living** -God is not just creator but alive consciousness

**Smart Way 3. God Is the Creator** -the intelligence who goes about establishing reality with laws & order

**Smart Way 4. God Is the Creator of Creators**- God continues his creation though man whom he desires to be co-creators

**Smart Way 5. God Has a Plan**- towards perfection -not material perfection & he desires our cooperation in this plan- trust in his plan of redemption

**Smart Way 6. God Is Personal**- desire relationship, not intellectual agreement

**Smart Way 7. God Is Real** -God is universal, transpersonal, fair & faithful, compassionate, forgiving & patient

**Smart Way 8. God Is Fulfillment**- God answers all our doubts about life & shows us sin isn't necessary

**Smart Way 9. God Is Forever** -God is beyond time & beyond the illusion of death

**Smart Way 10. God is All** -nothing can exist without or outside of God- all reality is in him