

Biblical passages referenced in Isaac Newton's General Scholium

Scriptural passages in the footnote on God (added to the 1726 edition)

Psalms 82:6; John 10:35; Exodus 4:16; Exodus 7:1

‘I have said, “Ye are gods:
and all of you are children of the most High.”’ Psalms 82:6

Jesus answered them, ‘Is it not written in your law, “I said, ‘Ye are gods’”? If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken: say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, “Thou blasphemest”; because I said, I am the Son of God”?’ John 10:34–36 (verse 35 underlined)

‘And thou [Moses] shalt speak unto him [Aaron], and put words in his mouth: and I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do. And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be, even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God.’ Exodus 4:15–16 (verse 16 underlined)

And the LORD said unto Moses, ‘See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.’ Exodus 7:1

Scriptural passages in the footnote on space (expanded in the 1726 edition)

Acts 17:27,28; John 14:2 (added to 1726 edition); Deuteronomy 4:39; Deuteronomy 10:14; Psalms 139:7,8,9 (1713 edition: Psalms 139:7,8); 1 Kings 8:27; Job 22:12,13,14 (1713 edition: Job 22:12); Jeremiah 23:23,24

‘... that they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us. For in him we live, and move, and have our being, as certain also of your own poets have said, “For we are also his offspring”.’

Acts 17:27–28

‘In my Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you: I go to prepare a place for you.’ John 14:2

‘Know therefore this day, and consider it in thy heart, that the LORD he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.’ Deuteronomy 4:39

‘Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the LORD’s thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is.’
Deuteronomy 10:14

Whither shall I go from thy spirit?
or whither shall I flee from thy presence?
If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there:
if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there.
If I take the wings of the morning,
and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea:
even there shall thy hand lead me,
and thy right hand shall hold me.

Psalms 139:7-10 (verses 7–9 underlined)

‘But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee: how much less this house that I have built?’ 1 Kings 8:27

‘Is not God in the height of heaven?
and behold the height of the stars, how high they are.
And thou sayest, “How doth God know?
can he judge through the dark cloud?
Thick clouds are a covering to him that he seeth not,
and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.”’ Job 22:12–14

‘Am I a God at hand,’ saith the LORD,
‘and not a God afar off?
Can any hide himself in secret places
that I shall not see him?’ saith the LORD.
‘Do not I fill heaven and earth?’ saith the LORD. Jeremiah 23:23–24



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