

Understanding Similes in the Psalms

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A Review of Similes and God's Character

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Answer the following questions based on what you learned about similes in the Psalms.

1. What does the simile 'Yahweh is my shepherd' mean about God?

- A. He is a farmer
- B. He cares for us like a shepherd
- C. He is a king

2. The simile helps us understand God's care by comparing Him to a ____.

3. What is a simile? Give an example from the lesson.

4. What does Psalm 86:15 say about God?

- A. He is angry all the time
- B. He is compassionate and gracious
- C. He is distant and uncaring

5. Match the simile with what it describes about God.

God is like a shepherd

He protects us

God is like a fortress

He guides us

6. How do similes help us understand God's character?

7. In Psalms, similes are used to describe God's ____ and protection.

8. Why are similes important in biblical poetry?

- A. They make the poetry longer
- B. They help describe God's nature
- C. They are fun to say

9. Can you find a simile in another psalm? What is it?

10. A simile uses the words ____ or ____ to compare two things.

Answer Key

1. He cares for us like a shepherd 2. shepherd 3. A simile is a comparison using 'like' or 'as'. An example is 'Yahweh is my shepherd.' 4. He is compassionate and gracious 5. He guides us 6. Similes make complex ideas easier to understand by comparing them to familiar things. 7. love 8. They help describe God's nature 9. Yes, 'He is like a rock' is a simile that describes God's strength. 10. like, as