

(from H) 11-01-2021

Hi Dave, Would Love you to share with me Your thoughts on this aspect of Jehovah's personality recorded at Isaiah 46.9 and 10.

(from me) 11-01-2021

I'm not sure what you are looking for, but He was giving encouragement to those who needed it, and a warning to "transgressors."

(Isaiah 46:8) "Remember this, and take courage. Take it to heart, you transgressors."

:^)

Dave

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Oh specifically i meant vs 10, "I foretell the outcome, And from long ago the things that have not yet been done."

Many conclude this scripture allows for a possibility that God knows the decisions that we will make.

(from me) 11-01-2021

Jehovah's name means: "He causes to become".

Jehovah cannot tell a lie. (Titus 1:2)

What He says will happen, will happen.

Not because He knows every little thing that will happen in the future, but because He "causes" it to happen.

(Numbers 23:19) God is not a mere man who tells lies, Nor a son of man who changes his mind. When he says something, will he not do it? When he speaks, will he not carry it out?

Prophecy from God is not so much about what He knows will happen, but is more about what He will do, what He will cause to happen.

(Isaiah 14:24) Jehovah of armies has sworn: "Just as I have intended, so it will occur, And just as I have decided, that is what will come true.

(Isaiah 46:10) From the beginning I foretell the outcome, And from long ago the things that have not yet been done. I say, 'My decision will stand, And I will do whatever I please.'

:^)

Dave

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I agree with you. The First part gives me a different perspective. Thank you!

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When free Elaborate More On this point Please

(from me) 11-01-2021

Sure.

Like it says in Isaiah.

(Isaiah 14:24) Jehovah of armies has sworn: "Just as I have intended, so it will occur, And just as I have decided, that is what will come true."

"as I have intended" means, what He purposes or plans to happen, "so it will occur."

"as I have decided" means what He has chosen or resolved "*will come true*".

So what "*will occur*" or "*come true*" is what He has intended or decided to happen. He controls and causes the outcome to happen.

It is not saying that He knows what will happen naturally, or without His controlling it.

That would be destiny, or fate, and those things do not exist.

If destiny or fate were real, then we would not have any control over our lives.

We would not have free will.

We would be like pre-programmed robots, unable to change our future.

So since we do have free will, and we can change our minds at any moment and do something different, God cannot know what will happen in the future, unless He causes a thing to happen.

Does that make sense to you?

:^)

Dave

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Yes, it does. Thanks

(from me) 11-01-2021

A couple more.

(Acts 18:21) but said good-bye and told them: "I will return to you again, if Jehovah is willing." And he put out to sea from Eph'e·sus

(Hebrews 6:3) And this we will do, if God indeed permits.

(James 4:15) Instead, you should say: "If Jehovah wills, we will live and do this or that."

:^)

Dave

(Isaiah 48:3) "The former things I told you long ago. From my own mouth they went out, And I made them known. Suddenly I took action, and they came about.

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