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None Like Him: 10 Ways God Is Different From Us (and Why That's A Good Thing)



Synopsis

God is self-existent, self-sufficient, eternal, immutable, omnipresent, omniscient, omnipotent, sovereign, infinite, and incomprehensible. We're not. And that's a good thing. Our limitations are by design. We were never meant to be God. But at the root of every sin is our rebellious desire to possess attributes that belong to God alone. *None Like Him* Calling us to embrace our limits as a means of glorifying God's limitless power, Jen Wilkin invites us to celebrate the freedom that comes when we rest in letting God be God.

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Customer Reviews

"I have had the privilege of personally knowing Jen Wilkin for several years. She is a woman intoxicated by the God of the Bible and has written *None Like Him* by staring at his majesty. The soul is healed not by gazing at its broken pieces, but by gazing at the beauty of its creator and surrendering to the One who is unlike any other as you read this book. I pray you melt into the relief of belonging to the One who is unlike any other as you read this book. *None Like Him* Matt Chandler, lead pastor, The Village Church, Dallas, Texas; president, Acts 29 Church Planting Network; author, *The Mingling of Souls* and *The Explicit Gospel* "In an upside-down world that has humanized God and deified man, Jen Wilkin brings us the best news imaginable: our God is infinitely greater, more powerful, more majestic, and more wonderful than we can possibly fathom. Jen calls us to lift our eyes upward, to earnestly contemplate his attributes, and to humbly acknowledge our own limits. As we do, our hearts will be filled with wonder and awe that such a God should stoop to save and love us. *None Like Him* Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth, author; Bible teacher; host, *Revive Our Hearts* "My wife and I love Jen Wilkin. She represents a rising

generation of evangelical women discontent with the status quo, yet fiercely committed to the Scriptures. Her teaching is provocative without approaching compromise, revolutionary without seeking novelty. This book is rock solid, and it portends an encouraging future for evangelicalism.

•J. D. Greear, pastor, The Summit Church, Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina; author, *Gaining by Losing: Why the Future Belongs to Churches that Send* “Far beyond a Sunday school lesson listing the attributes of God, *None Like Him* evokes a sense of both familiarity and wonder around the characteristics of the Almighty we worship. This book puts us in our place, beneath the God of all and over all.”

•Kate Shellnutt, Associate Editor, Christianity Today; Editor, *Hermeneutics* “This book made me want Jen Wilkin as my best friend. But far more than that, it made me grateful that Jen Wilkin’s God is my God. Books that are this theologically rich while also being this funny, this personal, and this penetrating are rare. So don’t miss this one.”

•Nancy Guthrie, Bible teacher; author, *Hearing Jesus Speak into Your Sorrow* “As [Wilkin] compares human flaws and weaknesses with God’s steady and unchangeable characteristics, readers of faith will be reinvigorated by the assurance of God’s unvarying, all-encompassing nature.”

•Publishers Weekly “What happens when women learn about the attributes of God? They rightfully praise him for who he is! Jen Wilkin has written a helpful book introducing the attributes that belong to God alone, while revealing our own tendencies to try to produce counterfeits in others or ourselves. A better understanding of who God is builds our faith and helps to guard against damaging theology. Jen presses the reader to see how God’s incommunicable attributes affect our own spirituality.”

•Aimee Byrd, author, *Housewife Theologian; Theological Fitness; and No Little Women* “Many of us attribute to God the characteristics of our fallen earthly fathers. In this study, Jen walks us through a better foundation for knowing and relating to our Father in heaven.”

•Scripture itself. *None Like Him* is a helpful resource that reminds us that the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

•Wendy Horger Alsup, mother; author, *Practical Theology for Women and The Gospel-Centered Woman* “This wonderful book is big on truth and big on God, which means it is very good for my soul. Jen’s exploration of God’s attributes and her reminder of all the ways I’m not God and don’t have to be God ministered to me as a wife, as a mother, and as a Christian. If true wisdom starts with the knowledge of God and the knowledge of ourselves, then here is a book full of wisdom.”

•Trisha DeYoung, happy wife to Kevin DeYoung, author of *Just Do Something* and *Crazy Busy*; stay-at-home adventurous mother of six “Many of us believe that greater peace and

self-awareness come from exploring our own psyche or learning what makes us tick. But Jen Wilkin believes that greater self-knowledge comes from knowing and reverencing the One who is knowledge himself. In *None Like Him*, she invites us to learn how God's nature transcends our own and why the difference between us is good news. In fact, it's the very best news.

•Hannah Anderson, author, *Made for More and Humble Roots* "In my ministry to college students, I am rarely asked questions about morality or theology. They ask for wisdom. Young people yearn to know how the world works and how to work well within it. Jen sets us on the right path by inviting us all to the essential starting point: awestruck wonder at our Maker. We must see how the eternal connects with the mundane if our lives are going to be filled with a sense of meaning. This is a resource that I would love to see in the hands of all of our students."

•Ben Stuart, Executive Director, Breakaway Ministries

Jen Wilkin is a speaker, writer, and teacher of women's Bible studies. During her seventeen years of teaching, she has organized and led studies for women in home, church, and parachurch contexts. Jen and her family are members of the Village Church in Flower Mound, Texas.

This book has changed my view of God, but mostly it's changed my view of myself. My God is LIMITLESS but I'm limited. He is ALL in ALL and I'm nothing apart from Him. I plan to use this book as the basis for a Women's Bible Study in the near future. That's how good it is. I want all my friends to read it and experience the change.

Love Love Love!!! It's about time a woman Christian author cut out the crap and give us the true God of the Bible. This book is easy to read but hard to digest...it is convicting as we look at God for who He is, not who we want Him to be. Jen Wilkin is a true student of God's word and her heart is for women to take God at His word and to be transformed by it.

This book is a breath of fresh air for the believer! I shared it with many and everyone (men and women) were blessed by it. We need to know who God is and who we are in light of Him. Jen writes like I imagine she talks so her message is not lost in translation. I'm re-reading this every year for some "fresh, well-seasoned, perspective" to use a phrase from the movie *Ratatouille*.

Used for a group discussion, our small group was completely engaged in the 10 attributes Jen

Wilkins used to describe God's character from a biblical perspective, and how they can change our mindset as to how we view God, others and ourselves. Her perspective has inspired me to trust God more and look around at the opportunity to see others (and me) as God sees them--created, fallen, and highly valued. Don't let the introduction lead you into thinking that this is a "Christian Women's book". I think that any Jesus follower or a non-Christian interested in understanding the biblical description of God's nature and character would benefit from this readable, sometimes funny, inspiring book. Jen Wilkin writes with clarity and a good grasp of the scriptures while still living life in our modern world.

Short review - great book! Read it! Longer version - Wilkin does an excellent job of showing the greatness of God and comparatively, our own insignificance. Though my pride took a few shots, my self-esteem did not as I was comforted by the greatness and graciousness of God and His love for me. I read this book with a friend who has limited Bible knowledge and we both learned amazing things. The depth is not so deep as to be over the head of new believers or seekers. The cover may have pink flowers on a teal background, written from a woman's POV, but men will benefit from reading it, as well. Wilkin's writing style is easy to read, with pertinent and practical examples to which readers can relate. The chapter questions were deep but not overwhelming. In addition, each chapter asked the reader to write a prayer regarding that chapter's subject. Don't skip this! It was when writing these prayers that my own misconceptions or sin was revealed, leading to a deeper knowledge of and relationship with God. I can't recommend this book enough!

This book is so profound in its detailed description of God's divine characteristics. The more it reveals His uniqueness the more I am reminded that I fall into the same trap as Adam and Eve in the garden. I cannot be like God like the enemy tempts me to believe. But I'm oh so glad my God is so amazing.

Grounded in scripture and applied in relevant, lively ways, this thoughtful examination of God's unique character traits impacted me immensely: humbling me (because I too often foolishly think I can be God), challenging me (because I caught a glimpse of the power and holiness of God), and encouraging me (because God, entirely Sovereignly, has chosen me to be his beloved, forever).

By far the best bible study/devotional book I have ever read. We are currently going through this in the Bible study that I lead and the resounding opinion is that it is changing our lives in regards to

how we see God. Totally wrecking us in the best ways. Thank you Jen! I highly recommend :)

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