

# GOD IS SELF-SUFFICIENT

## Lesson 14

**Self-sufficient:** *needing no outside help; complete; wants for nothing.*

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>How is God's SELF-SUFFICIENCY shown in these Scriptures?</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Observations, Questions, Synonyms, Other Attributes</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>What difference does God's SELF-SUFFICIENCY make in my life?</b></p>
<p><b>Isaiah 40:27-30</b>                      Why do you complain, Jacob?                      Why do you say, Israel,                      "My way is hidden from the LORD;                      my cause is disregarded by my God"?  <sup>28</sup> Do you not know?                      Have you not heard?                      The LORD is the everlasting God,                      the Creator of the ends of the earth.                      He will not grow tired or weary,                      and his understanding no one can fathom.  <sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary                      and increases the power of the weak.  <sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary,                      and young men stumble and fall.</p>			
<p><b>Psalms 46:10</b>                      He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;                      I will be exalted among the nations,                      I will be exalted in the earth."</p>			

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<p><b>John 15:1-6</b></p> <p>"I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. <sup>2</sup> He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes[a] so that it will be even more fruitful. <sup>3</sup> You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.</p> <p><sup>5</sup> "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned</p>			

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<p><b>Acts 17:24-28</b></p> <p>“The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup>And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else.<sup>26</sup> From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. <sup>27</sup>God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. <sup>28</sup>‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’<sup>[a]</sup> As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’<sup>[b]</sup></p> <p><i>a. From the Cretan philosopher Epimenides</i>  <i>b. From the Cilician Stoic philosopher Aratus</i></p>			

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<b>What other scriptures come to mind?</b>			

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### **Reflections**

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Proverbs 16:9

2 Corinthians 3:4-5

Describe a time when you tried to take matters into your own hands to “fix” a situation in your life. What was the result?

In contrast, describe a time when you left something very important to you in God's hands. What was the result?

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### **Lecture Notes**

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### **Prayer Requests**

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