

## **El Elyon (Genesis 14:18-23)**

### **Sermon Devotional**

**Series - The Lighthouse: Reflections on the Nature of God**  
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1. Do you know anyone who believes in a god other than the God of the Bible?
2. What is an example of other gods people believe in?

#### Digging Deeper

3. Read Genesis 14:18-23 or access Pastor David's message at [broadviewchurch.com/media](http://broadviewchurch.com/media).
4. In this passage, God is called "God Most High" (or some translations read "Most High God"). This is the Hebrew term El Elyon. What does that title imply about the existence of other spiritual beings?
5. Generally speaking, there is a lot of confusion and ignorance about the lesser spiritual beings that the Bible talks about ("lesser" in the sense that they are not equal to God). What are some words you may be aware of that describe some lesser spiritual beings (such as "angel")?
6. Read Psalm 82:1-8. According to verse 1, who judges the "gods" ("lesser spiritual beings")?
7. Israel's neighbors, like many people today, worship all kinds of gods. Sometimes people acknowledge their devotion as being directed toward a spiritual being, but other times people worship a god that, to us, simply looks like devotion to a cause or person. Name an example of people worshipping a lesser spiritual being today.

#### Bringing It Home

8. If the Lord is God Most High, what does that say about his power compared to lesser spiritual beings?
  9. Is there any problem that God Most High cannot handle?
  10. What burden do you need to turn over to God Most High today?
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