

#### **SEMESTER 1 - WEEK 4**

# THE NAMES AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Why should	d we study the attributes of God?
,	"What comes into our mind when we think about God is the most important thing about us - A.W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy
• <u>s</u>	<u>alvation</u> is tied to knowing and believing in God - <b>Romans 10:13-14</b>
• <u>E</u>	<u>Sternal life</u> is tied to knowing God the Father and Jesus - <b>John 17:3</b>
• 0	Our ability to endure in <u>faithfulness</u> is tied to knowing Him - <b>Psalm 103:1</b>
• (	God has communicated <u>His glory</u> and <u>His goodness</u> - <b>Exodus 33 and 34</b>

# **THE NAMES/TITLES OF GOD**

•	El/Elohim/Theos - God (Occurs 2,300+ times referring to God in the OT, 1300 in NT)
•	Yahweh - LORD (Occurs 6,800+ times in the OT) "The personal name of the self-existent, covenant keeping, God of Israel"
•	Adonai/Kurios - Lord (395 times in OT, and referring to Jesus 261 times in NT)
•	Ab/Abba/Pater - Father (10+ times in OT, but 135 in the NT)



## **THE HOLINESS OF GOD**

"His justice is a holy justice, His wisdom is a set apart wisdom, His arm is a "holy arm" (Psalm 98:1), His truth or promise a "holy promise" (Psalm 105:42. His name, which signifies all His attributes in conjunction, "is holy" (Psalm 103:1). - Stephen Charnock, The Existence and Attributes of God

Holiness - set apart/separated			
0	Psalm 30:4		
0	Exodus 15:11, Revelation 15:4		
0	Isaiah 6:3-5		
0	I Peter I:16, Hebrews 12:14-15		



#### THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY OF GOD

"The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since

He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things"	
- Acts 17:24-25	
• Psalm 90:2	
• Exodus 3:14, John 8:58	
• I Kings 8:27, Isaiah 66:1-2	
• Isaiah 46:10-11	

• Jeremiah 18:6, Romans 9:19-21

## THE IMMUTABILITY OF GOD

"God is unchanging in his being, perfections, purposes, and promises, yet God does act and feel emotions, and he acts and feels differently in response to different situations." - Grudem, 58

Immutable - unchanging

Malachi 3:6

• James 1:17

• Psalm 102:24-27, Hebrews 1:10-12



#### **THE ETERNALITY OF GOD**

"... Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God " - Psalm 90:2

- Genesis 1:1, John 1:1
- Isaiah 41:1
- John 17:5, 24
- Revelation 1:4, 8

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## **QUESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

I.	How do you use truths about who God is to direct your thoughts or your prayers?
2.	How should you shepherd your heart with thoughts about the holiness of God?
3.	How should you shepherd your heart with thoughts about the self-sufficiency of God?
4	How should you shepherd your heart with thoughts about the eternality of God?

