

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
**THE DOCTRINE OF THE GREATNESS OF GOD — PART TWO**

Session 6 — January 4, 2023

**THE BIG PICTURE**

God has revealed his perfections (or attributes) in Scripture so that we can better understand who He is and glorify Him. His perfections describe him as both infinitely great and infinitely good.

**OBJECTIVES FOR THIS SESSION**

- 1) To be able to name and describe the perfections of God's greatness discovered in this session, namely God's eternity, His omnipresence (transcendence and imminence), His omniscience, and His omnipotence.
- 2) To increase our knowledge of God's nature to the end that our minds will be renewed and our wills more conformed to God's will.
- 3) To deepen our worship, respect, and love for our great God.

**KEY VERSE TO MEMORIZE**

*Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God far away?  
Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD.  
Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD.” Jeremiah 23:2-24 ESV*

— or —

*“No creature is hidden from His sight,  
but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.”  
Hebrews 4:13*

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**1. GOD IS UNLIMITED BY TIME — HE IS ETERNAL**

In your own words describe what the following verses say about the eternity of God.

Psalm 90:2

Job 36:26

Revelation 1:8 cf. 4:8

Jude 25

What implications does the eternity of God have for your life?

Do you see any indication of the eternity of God in Genesis? Where and how does Genesis show He is eternal?

Look up one of the OT names for God – El Olam and explain what it has to do with God's eternity.

## **2. GOD IS UNLIMITED BY SPACE — HE IS BOTH TRANSCENDENT (FAR) AND IMMANENT (NEAR)**

Definition of “*transcendence of God*” is “God exists above and is independent from; it means to rise above, surpass, succeed.”

Definition of “*immanence of God*” is that all creation is dependent on God, He is with all creation, while remaining distinct from it. In other words, there is no place where God is not. His sovereign control extends everywhere simultaneously.

Comment on the following verses and identify whether they refer to the transcendence or the immanence of God.

Job 12:10 –  
Isaiah 57:15 –  
Acts 17:25,28 –  
Isaiah 40:22 –  
Colossians 1:17 –  
Hebrews 1:3 –  
Ephesians 4:6 –  
Isaiah 55:8-9 –

What does the transcendence of God mean for your personal life? How does it impact you?

What does the immanence of God mean for your personal life? How does it impact you?

## **3. GOD IS UNLIMITED IN KNOWLEDGE — HE IS OMNISCIENT**

What is the difference between our knowledge and the knowledge (understanding) of God according to the following verses?

Job 37:16 –  
Psalm 147:5 –  
Isaiah 40:28 –  
Isaiah 55:8-9 –  
Romans 11:33-34 –

How does the omniscience of God affect us in our everyday lives? –

Do you tend to put your trust in others because they are super intelligent or because they have gone on in school to earn several degrees?

How might the omniscience of God temper our admiration of great intellects of our day, so that we see them in light of God’s omniscience? –

Can you think of one verse that directs us away from our own understanding and points us to the omniscience of God? –

#### **4. GOD IS UNLIMITED IN POWER — HE IS OMNIPOTENT**

Omnipotence is derived from two words in Latin, *omni* which means “all” and *potens* which means powerful. Therefore, omnipotent means all powerful.

What do the following verses say about God’s power?

Psalm 24:8 –

Genesis 18:14 –

Jeremiah 32:17 –

What does the OT name for God El Shaddai mean?

Genesis 17:1 is the first time El Shaddai is used of God, and He names Himself, I am God Almighty

What do the following verses say God does by His “power?”

Jer. 51:15 –

Job 24:22 –

1 Corinthians 6:14 –

What was the situation Abraham found himself in when God revealed Himself as all-powerful to him?

See Genesis 17:1 –

Can you think of a time when you relied on the power of God?