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## The Attributes of God – Part 3

Last week we spoke about two of God's *a se* attributes: omnipresence and omniscience

This morning we will be speaking about two more *a se* attributes: God's omnipotence and immutability.

### 3. God is Omnipotent

To say that God is omnipotent is to say that God is all-powerful.

**Mark 10:27** *...with God all things are possible...*

This is why God is called *...the Almighty...* 49 times in the Tanakah and 9 times in Revelation.

However, this does not mean that God can do anything whatsoever: He cannot do what is contrary to His Nature and character.

*...God...cannot lie...* **Num. 23:19**

Therefore, the *...all things...* that God can do is in keeping with His character.

To say that God is omnipotent means that God is always able to all of His will.

**2 Cor 9:8** *God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.*

This is important for us to understand, especially when we read:

**1 John 3:22** *...whatever we ask we receive from Him...*

Are we asking according to His Name, to His character?

And now God has given the authority of His *a se* omnipotence to a Man: *when the Lord Jesus ascended to the Throne of God and was ...given all authority in heaven and earth...* **Matt. 28:18**

**Rev. 21:5-6** *He who seats on the Throne said, "I make all things new...It is done. I AM [ego eimi] the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End...*

With this in mind, can any of us doubt God's promise in **Jude 24-25** *Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, 25 to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord...*

Also, because God is omnipotent we read in **Rom. 8:28-39** -

*28 And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. 29 because those whom He foreknew [omniscience],*

*He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; 30 and those whom He predestined, He also called; and those whom He called, He also justified; and those whom He justified, He also glorified [in and with Jesus]... 35 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 Just as it is written, "FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED." 37 But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. 38 For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

#### **4. God is immutable**

To say that God is immutable means that God cannot experience any change whatsoever to His Nature and character.

God is immutable means that as God is today, He forever is the same

**Mal. 3:6a** *I, the Lord, do not change... or ...I, the Lord am immutable...*

Because God is immutable, all of His promises are also immutable promises

And because God's promises are immutable

**2 Kings 8:19** *...for the sake of his servant David, the Lord was not willing to destroy Judah. He had promised [Gen. 1:26; 17:6; 2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 17:13; Jer. 31:36] to maintain a lamp for David and his descendants forever...*

Because God is immutable, we can depend upon all of His promises being fulfilled:

**Luke 24:44** *Everything written about Me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms [the Tanakah] MUST be fulfilled*

Why? **Heb 13:8** *Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and today and forever.*

Therefore:

**John 14:1-3** *Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also...**15:26** When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me...*

**Acts 1:8** *...you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...*

**Phil 1:6** *I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.*

**Rom 8:29** *For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son...*

**2 Peter 1:19** *...we have the prophetic Word made more sure...*