

## The Person of God: His Being, Nature, and Attributes

God is Infinite and Personal. He is the triune God, who is distinctly Father, Son, and Spirit, yet is one in essence. He is Independent, Omnipotent, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Immutable, Sovereign, Holy, Righteous, Just, and Love.

**Aseity (Independence):** God is self-existent, without cause, complete within Himself, self-sufficient, needing nothing outside his own being. (Acts 17:24-30)

**Omnipresent (All present):** God, in his whole being, is immediately and fully present everywhere and at all times. (Psalm 139)

**Omnipotent (All powerful):** God is always able to do all of His will. (Jeremiah 32:17)

**Omniscient (All knowing):** God knows all things. God's knowledge encompasses time and events, both things actual and things possible. (Psalm 147:5)

**Immutable (Unchanging):** God cannot experience any change whatsoever to His nature and character. He is unchanging in His being, attributes, purposes, and promises. (Malachi 3:6)

**Sovereign (In control):** God rules completely free from any external constraints or limitations of any kind, at any time whatsoever. (Isaiah 46:9-10)

**Holy:** God is wholly and completely separated from anything and everything else in creation. He is completely unique in His Being. He is morally perfect, excellent, and pure and is without any fault, failure, weakness, corruption, or sin. He, Himself, is the standard and paradigm of moral perfection. (Isaiah 6:1-5, 1 Samuel 2:2)

**Righteous (Just):** God always acts in accordance with what is right and good and true, and is Himself the final standard of what is right. God is righteous in that His deeds are always in perfect alignment with his Holiness. (Psalm 145:17, Psalm 18:30)

**Love:** God eternally gives of Himself to others. In eternity this is expressed between members of the Trinity. In creation, this is expressed towards all people generally, and to believers specifically. Love is essential to the Divine Nature of God. (1 John 4:8, John 17:24, John 3:16)

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