

The Knowledge of God

by Chad Watkins

What is God? God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.—Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 4

A few years ago I attempted to preach a sermon series on the attributes of God. It was one of the most challenging and rewarding sermon series I have ever preached. Week by week my mind was stretched as I attempted to meditate on the incomprehensible God who has made himself known through his creation and in the Bible. Thinking about the doctrine of divine simplicity (which means that God is not composed of parts but he is pure, undivided essence) gave me a headache. Contemplating the infinity of God reminded me that he is perfect in all of his perfections. Studying the immutability of God (he does not and cannot change) comforted me that not one of his promises would fail. When we went through that series together I made the point that the study of the doctrine of God is the most practical subject to which we can devote our time and attention.

Spurgeon agrees: *"The most excellent study for expanding the soul, is the science of Christ, and him crucified, and the knowledge of the Godhead in the glorious Trinity. Nothing will so enlarge the intellect, nothing so magnify the whole soul of man, as a devout, earnest, continued investigation of the great subject of the Deity...I know nothing which can so comfort the soul; so calm the swelling billows of sorrow and grief; so speak peace to the winds of trial, as a devout musing upon the subject of the Godhead."*

But don't just listen to me or Spurgeon, listen to God himself. *"Thus says the LORD: 'Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and **knows me**, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.'"* (**Jeremiah 9:23-24**) God's design for mankind is that we would know and delight in him. In fact, knowing God is at the very heart of a covenantal relationship with him (see Jer. 31:33-34).

If that is the case, I wonder when is the last time you read a book or did a Bible study on the doctrine of God? I think many Christians today neglect to put in the time and mental energy to unearth the riches and treasure that is the doctrine of God because that kind of study is demanding. But I want to encourage you to dig deep into God's Word and behold the glory and majesty of your God.

"And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."
—**John 17:3**

December 2025

Sundays Weekly:

Prayer Meeting- 8:00
Sunday School- 9:00
AM Worship- 10:15
PM Worship- 5:30

Highlights for January:

- VISION LUNCH- 1/11
- MidWeek at WPC BEGINS!- 1/14
- Child Protection Policy Meeting- 1/25

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Women's Bible Study- 9:30-11AM NextGen Meeting- 5:30-7PM	4 Carpenter's Apprentices- 6-7AM	5	6 Prayer Meeting- 9-10AM
7 Kids Choir Practice- after AM Worship	8	9 Session Meeting- 5:30PM Diaconate Meeting 6:30PM	10 Women's Bible Study- 9:30-11AM NextGen Meeting- 5:30-7PM	11 Carpenter's Apprentices- 6-7AM	12 Food Ministry- AM NextGen Christmas Party- 5-8PM	13 Prayer Meeting- 9-10AM
14 Lord's Supper- AM Kids Choir Practice- after AM Worship Christmas Caroling- 3PM	15 Missions Meeting- 5:30PM	16	17 NO WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	18 Carpenter's Apprentices- 6-7AM	19 Food Ministry- AM WPC CHRISTMAS PARTY- 5:00 - 8:00 Kids Choir Presentation- 5:30	20 Prayer Meeting- 9-10AM
21	22	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED Christmas Eve Service- 5:30PM CHRISTMAS EVE	25 NO CARPENTER'S APP. OFFICE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY	26 NO FOOD MINISTRY OFFICE CLOSED	27 NO PRAYER MEETING
28 NO SUNDAY SCHOOL Lord's Supper- PM	29	30 OFFICE CLOSED	31 OFFICE CLOSED NEW YEARS EVE			

Key: BLUE- Church Wide Events | PURPLE- Bible Studies | ORANGE- NextGen | GREEN- Children's Events | BROWN- Food Ministry | RED- Meetings | BLACK- Holidays

Quarterly Communion Offering: Emerald Coast Food Rescue (formerly Destin Harvest)

Missionary Highlight:



Evangelical Reformed Seminary
of Kyiv, Ukraine

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MTW helped start the seminary in Kiev in 2000. ERSU has become a training center for Reformed leaders in Ukraine and has been instrumental in helping to spread Reformed theology to surrounding countries. Several graduates have become professors, helping carry on the vision of expanding the Church. Please pray for the seminary as they continue to operate during the ongoing conflict with Russia. Pray that the seminary would continue to raise up leaders that have a solid foundation for preaching the gospel.

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Brenda asks for prayer for more Gospel centered churches - specifically that God would accomplish this through working in the hearts and lives of the people in their Gospel Transformation Groups. Please pray for Aaron, a member of their church that is starting seminary full time. Also, please thank God that one of their friends came to Christ, after over 12 years of sharing the Gospel with her. Praise the Lord! Finally, pray for unity as the Taiwan Hakka Association of Churches meet together to update their Book of Church Order.

How can I support Missions?

PRAY for our Missionaries | **GIVE** to Missions | **GO** on a Missions Trip | **JOIN** the Missions Team

Local:

- Good News Jail & Prison Ministry, Chaplain Shane Hardesty

National:

- Presbyterian and Reformed Chaplain Corp (PRCC)
- Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at UF, Pastor Steve Lammers
- Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at FSU, Pastor Kelly Jackson

International:

- Middle East Reformed Fellowship, Pastor Victor Atallah
- Brenda Carter, MTW San Yi, Taiwan
- Chris and Savanna, MTW (sensitive)
- Franklin and Beth Beaver, MTW Worldwide
- David and Jill Martin, MTW Odessa, Ukraine/Brasov, Romania
- Ang Bahay Parola (The Lighthouse) Children's Home, MTW Manila, Philippines
- Evangelical Reformed Seminary of Kyiv, Ukraine
- Perry and Betty, MTW (sensitive)
- Robert and Lisa Stewart, MTW Nagoya, Japan
- Verne and Alina Marshall, MTW Santiago, Chile
- John and Lu Elliot, IXO Nicoya, Costa Rica