



Loving God



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Making Disciples

# THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

VIDEO STUDY WITH PASTOR STEPHEN LACY

## 9 SESSION STUDY GUIDE

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### Scripture Used

- Psalm 90:1-4
- Genesis 1:1
- Psalm 93:2

- John 5:26
- Acts 17:28
- Romans 11:36

### A. God of Limitless Majesty

1. One of the attributes that most distinguishes God from humanity is His \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God has always been in \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Unlike human beings, God does not have a \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ of origin.

### B. The Source of All Things

1. The finite universe owes its existence to the \_\_\_\_\_ God.
2. Before the creation of time and space, the triune God existed eternally \_\_\_\_\_ anything or anyone else in the universe
3. God created the universe not by necessity, but for His own \_\_\_\_\_
4. God is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all life.
5. All things are \_\_\_\_\_ Him and \_\_\_\_\_ Him and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.
  - a. That all things are "**from**" God expresses that He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all things.
  - b. That all things are "**through**" God expresses that He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all things
  - c. That all things are "**to**" God expresses that He is the \_\_\_\_\_ of all things.

### C. Finite Children of an Infinite Father

1. Because God is our \_\_\_\_\_ we are made to live in fellowship with Him
2. Though we are \_\_\_\_\_ compared to God, He invites us to bring all our concerns to Him and trust Him with \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Because God is \_\_\_\_\_ we can know that there is not a need in our lives that He cannot supply.

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### Scripture Used

- John 4:24
- Jeremiah 18:6
- 2 Chronicles 16:9
- Isaiah 53:1
- Psalm 130:2

- 1 Timothy 1:17
- John 6:46
- Romans 1
- John 1:14
- Colossians 1:15

- John 14:8-9
- Hebrews
- 1:3 2 Kings
- 19
- Job 5:9

### A. The Immaterial God

1. God is spirit and therefore does not have a material \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God is not subject to spacial \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Human descriptions of God are whats called \_\_\_\_\_ expressions.
4. Because God is spirit, we can be assured that wherever we go and no matter how alone we may feel, God is always \_\_\_\_\_ us.

### B. The Invisible God

1. Since God is spirit, and has no material body, He cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ by human eyes.
2. While we cannot see God, we must know Him through His \_\_\_\_\_ to us.
3. Learning about God through the world He has made is called \_\_\_\_\_ revelation.
4. Learning about God through His word is called His \_\_\_\_\_ revelation.
5. When we look at \_\_\_\_\_, we see what God is like.
6. Because God is invisible, Christians must live by \_\_\_\_\_.

### C. The Infinite God

1. God, as a spirit being, has no \_\_\_\_\_ boundaries or limits.
2. The fullness of His being \_\_\_\_\_ every part of time and space.
3. There is no limitation to His \_\_\_\_\_
4. The mystery of God in His infiniteness should bring us to a heightened sense of \_\_\_\_\_

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### Scripture Used

- Revelation 4:8
- Exodus 15:11
- Psalm 22:3
- Isaiah 6:1-7

- Habakkuk 1:13
- Romans 2:1-5
- Psalm 9:8

### A. God's SUPREME Holiness

1. God's holiness is mentioned in scripture more than \_\_\_\_\_ times
2. God's holiness is one of the most \_\_\_\_\_ attributes mentioned in scripture
3. Other attributes don't get the same fanfare and trifold \_\_\_\_\_ as His holiness

### B. God's SUPERIOR Status

1. To say that God is holy is to attest that He is \_\_\_\_\_ above His creation
2. God is therefore distinctly and infinitely \_\_\_\_\_ to His creation and His creatures
3. To say that God is Holy is to assign Him kingly \_\_\_\_\_
4. The church is at its \_\_\_\_\_ when it recognizes and honors the holiness of God
5. The church is at its \_\_\_\_\_ when it fails to recognize and honor the holiness of God

### C. God's Moral SUPERBNESS (or Moral Perfection)

1. God is completely without \_\_\_\_\_ or moral blemish
2. All of God's decisions and judgements are \_\_\_\_\_
3. As an infinitely Holy being, God is not \_\_\_\_\_ toward good or evil
4. It is only through the righteousness of Jesus Christ, that guilty sinners can be \_\_\_\_\_ to a holy God.

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### Scripture Used

- Proverbs 1:24-
- 31 Romans 1:18-
- 32 Genesis 6-7
- Genesis 19
- Exodus 7-11

- Galatians 6:7
- Hosea 8:7
- Romans 1:24-26
- Revelation 19
- Revelation 20:14

### A. The NEED for God's Wrath

1. The wrath of God is an expression of His \_\_\_\_\_
2. God cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ toward sin
3. Without the wrath of God, He would \_\_\_\_\_ to be able to hold to the purest form of His other attributes
4. All of God's attributes work \_\_\_\_\_ and beautifully \_\_\_\_\_

### B. The NATURE of God's Wrath

1. One aspect of God's wrath is that it is \_\_\_\_\_
2. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ wrath
3. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ wrath
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### Other Notes

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Scripture Used

- 1 Corinthians 15:10
- Romans 3:23
- Romans 6:23
- Ephesians 2:8-9

- Romans 5:20-21
- 2 Corinthians 3:18
- Romans 11:6
- Exodus 33:19

- Titus 2:11
- Psalm 67:2
- Titus 2:5-6
- Romans 5:15

### A. God's Grace is Saving

1. God's grace saves believers from God Himself. Apart from His grace, mankind can only expect His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. God's saving grace is \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_. There is no amount of sin that God's grace cannot \_\_\_\_\_.
3. God's saving grace is \_\_\_\_\_.

## B. God's Grace is Free

1. The gospel of Jesus Christ is a gift that God offers and extends to those who are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If works play a role in justification, then God's grace is no longer \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom 11:6)
3. Eph 2:9 states that salvation is not a result of works so that no one may \_\_\_\_\_.

## C. God's Grace is Sovereign

1. God did not have to choose to be gracious to \_\_\_\_\_
2. No one has a claim on the grace of God because it is given to those who are \_\_\_\_\_

## D. God's Grace is Far Reaching

1. It is extended to and made real in the lives of all \_\_\_\_\_ of people around the globe
2. This \_\_\_\_\_ men and women, Jews and Gentiles, slave and free, educated and uneducated, and people from all languages and cultures

## E. God's Grace is Mediated

1. It is mediated through the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ Christ
2. There is no salvation \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ
3. Christ alone can represent man to God and God to man, since He is \_\_\_\_\_ God and \_\_\_\_\_ man
4. To have Christ is to have \_\_\_\_\_, not to have Christ is to have \_\_\_\_\_

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### Scripture Used

- Psalm 102:25-28
- Isaiah 14:26-27
- Numbers 23:19

- Isaiah 40:8
- Luke 16:17
- Psalm 33:10-11

- Proverbs 19:21
- Ephesians 1:3-14

## A. Unchangeable in Character

1. God's personality is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
2. We have scriptures guarantee that the God whom we serve is the \_\_\_\_\_ each day
3. Though our lives unfold in various stages, the same God is with us \_\_\_\_\_

## B. Unchangeable in Word

1. God's Word can never be \_\_\_\_\_ or cut down
2. God's Word cannot \_\_\_\_\_ to come to pass
3. God neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor takes back what He has said
4. Jesus taught that it would be easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for a single stroke of God's law to fail to be \_\_\_\_\_
5. In all generations, God's standards are the same, and His plan of \_\_\_\_\_ is the same

## C. Unchangeable in Plans

1. God's eternal decrees can never be \_\_\_\_\_
2. He is never forced to \_\_\_\_\_ His plans or adopt a "Plan B"
3. God's purposes \_\_\_\_\_ and encompass human plans
4. No one can frustrate or \_\_\_\_\_ God's plans



## D. Unchangeable in Salvation

1. Though God's redemptive work advances throughout human history, His plan of salvation has remained \_\_\_\_\_
2. From \_\_\_\_\_, God has set apart His elect, and He will not reject or fail to save even one of His children.
3. God's promises to believers are given \_\_\_\_\_ and with absolute \_\_\_\_\_

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### Scripture Used

- Isaiah 46:8-11
- Romans 11:33-36
- Matthew 11:27
- John 10:15

- 1 Corinthians 2:11
- 1 John 1:5
- Isaiah 40:13-14
- Psalm 147:4

- Matthew 10:29-30
- Psalm 139:1-4
- Matthew 11:21, 23

### A. Perfect Self-Knowledge

1. God's omniscience includes perfect knowledge of Himself, the \_\_\_\_\_ Godhead
2. The three persons of the Trinity know each other \_\_\_\_\_, with no gaps in their knowledge
3. Though no human can fathom the thoughts of God, He knows them \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Perfect Knowledge

1. God knows all things as they \_\_\_\_\_ are
2. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ in God's perfect knowledge
3. When we bring our petitions and requests before God, we know that His \_\_\_\_\_ are grounded in His all-encompassing knowledge

### C. External Knowledge

1. Human knowledge is gained through a succession of \_\_\_\_\_
2. Humans can \_\_\_\_\_ what they know
3. God has known all things from \_\_\_\_\_ the foundation of the world, and His knowledge remains \_\_\_\_\_ forever
4. God not only knows the outcome of history, but He is also \_\_\_\_\_ with every human thought and action throughout history

## D. Immediate Knowledge

1. God knows all things \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
2. God has never \_\_\_\_\_ anyone to instruct or counsel Him

## E. Exhaustive Knowledge

1. God's knowledge encompasses \_\_\_\_\_ details
2. He numbers and names the \_\_\_\_\_
3. He \_\_\_\_\_ the hairs on a person's head, and not even a sparrow falls apart from the Lord's knowledge.
4. God knows unseen details about our lives, and there is nothing that we can \_\_\_\_\_ from Him

## F. Penetrating Knowledge

1. God's knowledge penetrates the \_\_\_\_\_ of the human heart
2. He knows us far more \_\_\_\_\_ than we know ourselves
3. Even though God is fully acquainted with the depths of our sin and depravity, He does not \_\_\_\_\_ His love and forgiveness from us

## G. Future Knowledge

1. God knows the future because He has \_\_\_\_\_ whatever shall come to pass
2. God's knowledge of future events sets Him \_\_\_\_\_ from lifeless idols

## H. Possible Knowledge

1. God knows not only the reality of what is, but also the possibility of other things that \_\_\_\_\_ have been
2. He is aware of the potential \_\_\_\_\_ of every possible human action that could have been taken

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Scripture Used

- Romans 10:14-15
- Ephesians 1:11
- Romans 8:29
- Genesis 4:1

- Amos 3:2
- Matthew 1:25
- Matthew 7:23
- John 10:27

- Acts 2:23
- 1 Peter 1:1-2
- John 6:35-40

### A. Correcting Misunderstandings of Foreknowledge

1. God does all things to the counsel of His own \_\_\_\_\_ and no one else's
2. God has never looked into the future and \_\_\_\_\_ anything
3. God is \_\_\_\_\_
4. He never looks into the future and sees anything that He has not already fore-\_\_\_\_\_
5. If all God does is look into the future to see what someone will do, then that's all that foreknowledge is
6. Since mankind is totally depraved, no one would repent if foreknowledge only entailed \_\_\_\_\_ and not God ACTING to bring about a state of affairs
7. Repentance and faith is a gift that only God can \_\_\_\_\_ to the guilty sinner
8. Foreknowledge does not mean \_\_\_\_\_
9. Romans 8:29 states, "whom He \_\_\_\_\_," not "what He foresaw"
10. Foreknowledge more accurately refers to God's previous \_\_\_\_\_ to love a certain group of people

## B. The Biblical meaning of Foreknowledge

1. We must first establish the meaning of \_\_\_\_\_ in scripture
2. Genesis 4:1 says "Adam knew Eve his wife, and she \_\_\_\_\_"
3. Genesis 4:1 makes it clear that the word KNOW in scripture can mean a loving and intimate \_\_\_\_\_
4. It doesn't always simply mean the \_\_\_\_\_ of facts
5. Amos 3:2 says, "You only have I \_\_\_\_\_ of all the families of the earth
6. Matthew 1:25 says, " \_\_\_\_\_ her not until she had given birth
7. Jesus says in Matthew 7:23, " I never \_\_\_\_\_ you"
8. **There are explicit examples of foreknowledge in Scripture**
9. John 10:27 says, "My sheep hear my voice, and I \_\_\_\_\_ them, and they follow me."
10. Acts 2:23 says, "this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite \_\_\_\_\_ and FOREKNOWLEDGE of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men
11. 1 Peter 1:1-2 says Christians are "elect exiles... \_\_\_\_\_ to the foreknowledge of God the Father"
12. Romans 8:29 says, "For those whom He \_\_\_\_\_, He also predestined

## C. What does foreknowledge mean?

1. It means those whom He fore-\_\_\_\_\_

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Scripture Used

- Psalm 33:1-22
- Psalm 93:1-5
- Matthew 10:28

- 1 Samuel 5
- Ephesians 1:11
- Mark 4:39

- Romans 8:28

### A. The God Who Reigns

1. God's sovereignty refers to His right to rule, govern, and preside over \_\_\_\_\_ things
2. God's sovereignty communicates His \_\_\_\_\_ over His enemies
3. God's sovereignty establishes His power over our \_\_\_\_\_
4. God's reign is not \_\_\_\_\_ to past or future events, it permeates our present reality
5. God's reign is not limited to specific enclaves of Christian influence, but is \_\_\_\_\_ in scope

## B. God's External Purposes

1. God's sovereign rule extends back to \_\_\_\_\_
2. Ephesians 1:11 articulates God's eternal sovereignty in salvation, that Christians are "predestined according to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His \_\_\_\_\_"
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ refers to the inter-Trinitarian deliberation that preceded the creation of the universe
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God refers to His divine decisions and desires, which encompass and establish each aspect of our lives
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ of God refers to His divine determination to carry out His righteous will
6. God's act of \_\_\_\_\_ guarantees that His sovereign will is brought about in totality.

## C. Arenas of Divine Sovereignty

1. God's sovereignty governs \_\_\_\_\_
2. Everything that exists, has God as its \_\_\_\_\_
3. All things belong to God, and exist for His \_\_\_\_\_
4. God's sovereignty governs \_\_\_\_\_ and providence
5. Rather than simply create things and set them in motion, God \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ human affairs
6. In all \_\_\_\_\_ God is at work for the glory of His name and the good of His people