

The Character of God

1. **God is eternal.** Because God lives in an everlasting now, He has no past and no future. God dwells in eternity, but time dwells in God. Psalm 90:1-2
2. **God is infinite.** We cannot speak of measure, amount, size, or weight and at the same time be speaking of God, for He is beyond measurement. God has no beginning, no end, and no limits. Romans 11:33
3. **God is immutable.** All that God is, He has always been. All that He has been and is, He will ever be. He cannot change because He is perfect and will remain perfect. Psalm 102:25-28
4. **God is omniscient.** God knows all that can be known. His knowledge includes every possible thing that exists, has ever existed, or will ever exist. Psalm 139:1-6
5. **God is wise.** All God's acts are done in infinite wisdom. He always acts for our good, which is to conform us to Christ. Our good and His glory are inextricably bound together. Proverbs 3:19-20
6. **God is omnipotent.** God has power. Since God is also infinite, whatever He has must be without limit; therefore, God has limitless power. He is omnipotent. Jeremiah 32:17-18, 26-27
7. **God is transcendent.** We must not think of God as highest in an order of beings. This would be to grant Him eminence, even pre-eminence, but this is not enough. He is transcendent - existing beyond the created universe. Psalm 113:4-5
8. **God is omnipresent.** God is everywhere - close to everything, next to everyone. "'Do not I fill heaven and earth?' declares the Lord." Psalm 139:7-12
9. **God is faithful.** Our hope for the future rests upon God's faithfulness. Because He is faithful, His covenants will stand and His promises will be honored. Psalm 89:1-8
10. **God is good.** The goodness of God is what disposes Him to be kind, benevolent, and full of good will toward all of creation. Psalm 119:65-72
11. **God is merciful.** God's compassion is infinite and inexhaustible. In the mercy of His provision in Christ, He took upon Himself the judgment that was due us. He waits and works now for all people everywhere to turn to Him, not wanting any to be lost. Deuteronomy 4:29-31
12. **God is full of grace.** Grace is the good pleasure of God that inclines Him to grant merit where it is undeserved and to forgive debt that cannot be repaid. Ephesians 1:5-8
13. **God is love.** God's love is so great that He gave His only Son to bring us into fellowship with Him. God's love not only encompasses the world but embraces each of us personally and intimately. 1 John 4:7-10
14. **God is holy.** God's holiness is not simply the best we know made infinitely better, God is absolutely untainted. His holiness stands apart- unique, unapproachable, and incomprehensible. Revelation 4:8-11
15. **God is sovereign.** God is in control of our lives. His sovereignty is the attribute by which He rules His entire creation. To be sovereign, God must be all-knowing, all-powerful, and absolutely free. 1 Chronicles 29:11-13