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**Sermon Notes:**

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## **Devotional - Day 1**

### **Day 1 – The Divine Omniscience**

**Silence and Stillness before God (2 minutes)** – prepare your heart and mind to hear from God

**Scripture: Isaiah 40:13-14** “Who can fathom the Spirit of the LORD, or instruct the LORD as his counselor? Whom did the LORD consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge, or showed him the path of understanding?”

**Psalm 139:1-3** “O LORD, you have searched me and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.”

**Matthew 10:29-30** “Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered.”

**Hebrews 4:13** “Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.”

#### **Devotional:**

God is infinite. To describe God’s infinite qualities we use the word *omni* meaning all or universal. This week’s devotions look at God’s omniscience, omnipotence and omnipresence.

“That God is omniscient is not only taught in the Scriptures, it must be inferred also from all else that is taught concerning Him. God perfectly knows Himself and, being the source and author of all things, it follows that He knows all that can be known. And this He knows instantly and with a fullness of perfection that includes every possible item of knowledge concerning everything that exists or could have existed anywhere in the universe at any time in the past or that may exist in the centuries or ages yet unborn.” (Tozer, KoH, 56)

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“In the divine omniscience we see set forth against each other the terror and fascination of the Godhead. That God knows each person through and through can be a cause of shaking fear to the man that has something to hide—some unforsaken sin, some secret crime committed against man or God.... Our Father in heaven knows our frame and remembers that we are dust. He knows our inborn treachery, and for His own sake engaged to save us (Isa. 48:8-11). His only begotten Son, when He walked among us, felt our pains in their naked intensity of anguish. His knowledge of our afflictions and adversities is more than theoretic; it is personal, warm, and compassionate. Whatever may befall us, God knows and cares as no one else can.” (Tozer, KoH, 57)

### **Question to consider:**

How does it make you “feel” knowing that God is omniscient? Why?

### **Prayer**

**Conclude with silence (2 minutes)**

### **Afternoon/Evening Question to Consider:**

God knows everything about you, the good and the bad. In Christ Jesus He still offers grace, mercy and love. Why? What is your response?

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## **Devotional - Day 2**

### **Day 2 – Wisdom of God**

**Silence and Stillness before God (2 minutes)** – prepare your heart and mind to hear from God

**Scripture: Proverbs 2:6** “For the LORD gives wisdom; from His mouth come knowledge and understanding.”

**Proverbs 9:10** “The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom. And the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”

**Colossians 2:3, 9-10** “Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form and in Him you have been made complete, and He is the head over all rule and authority.”

#### **Devotional:**

God is all wise. “In the Holy Scriptures wisdom, when used of God and good men, always carries a strong moral connotation. It is conceived as being pure, loving, and good. Wisdom that is mere shrewdness is often attributed to evil men, but such wisdom is treacherous and false. These two kinds of wisdom are in perpetual conflict. Indeed, when seen from the lofty peak of Sinai or Calvary, the whole history of the world is discovered to be but a contest between the wisdom of God and the cunning of Satan and fallen men. The outcome of the contest is not in doubt. The imperfect must fall before the perfect at last. God has warned that He will take the wise in their own craftiness and bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.” (Tozer. KoH, 60)

“The operation of the gospel, the new birth, the coming of the divine Spirit into human nature, the ultimate overthrow of evil, and the final establishment of Christ’s righteous kingdom—all these have flowed and do flow out of God’s infinite fullness of wisdom. The sharpest eyes of the holiest watcher in the blest company above cannot discover a flaw in the ways of God in bringing all this to fruition, nor can the pooled wisdom of

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seraphim and cherubim suggest how an improvement might be made in the divine procedure.” (Tozer, KoH, 62)

### **Question to consider:**

The gospel is God's wisdom to help and save people who are hurting and lost because of sin. With whom will you share God's wisdom, the gospel, today?

### **Prayer**

### **Conclude with silence (2 minutes)**

### **Afternoon/Evening Question to Consider:**

God is the source of all wisdom. Will you ask Him for wisdom today (James 1:5)? What precisely do you need wisdom for?

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## **Devotional - Day 3**

### **Day 3 – The Divine Omnipotence**

**Silence and Stillness before God (2 minutes)** – prepare your heart and mind to hear from God

**Scripture: Isaiah 44:24** “This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb: ‘I am the LORD, the Maker of all things, who stretches out the heavens, who spreads out the earth by myself.’”

**Isaiah 46:10-11** “I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, ‘My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.’ From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. What I have said, that I will bring about; what I have planned, that I will do.”

**Jeremiah 32:17** “Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.”

**Philippians 1:6** “Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

### **Devotional**

God is omnipotent. “Sovereignty and omnipotence must go together. One cannot exist without the other. To reign, God must have power, and to reign sovereignly, He must have all power. And that is what omnipotent means, having all power. The word derives from the Latin and is identical in meaning with the more familiar almighty which we have from the Anglo Saxon. This latter word occurs fifty-six times in our English Bible and is never used of anyone but God. He alone is almighty.” (Tozer, KoH, 65)

“God has delegated power to His creatures, but being self-sufficient, He cannot relinquish anything of His perfections and, power being one of them. He has never surrendered the least iota of His power. He gives but He does not give away. All that He gives remains His own and returns to

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Him again. Forever He must remain what He has forever been, the Lord God omnipotent.” (Tozer, KoH, 66)

“Omnipotence is not a name given to the sum of all power, but an attribute of a personal God whom we Christians believe to be the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ and of all who believe on Him to life eternal. The worshiping man finds the knowledge a wonderful strength for his inner life. His faith rises to take the great leap upward into the fellowship of Him who can do whatever He wills to do, for whom nothing is hard or difficult because He possesses power absolute.” (Tozer, KoH, 67)

### **Question to consider:**

What is one way you would like to see the power of God manifested in your life?

### **Prayer**

**Conclude with silence (2 minutes)**

### **Afternoon/Evening Question to Consider:**

What is the most amazing display of God's power to you and why? (for example: a sunrise, a thunderstorm, a birth, a re-birth or salvation)



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## **Devotional - Day 4**

### **Day 4 – The Divine Transcendence**

**Silence and Stillness before God (2 minutes)** – prepare your heart and mind to hear from God

**Scripture: Isaiah 40:22** “It is He who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a curtain and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in.”

**Psalm 97:9** “For You are the LORD Most High over all the earth; You are exalted far above all gods.”

**Acts 7:49-50** “Heaven is My throne, and earth is the footstool of My feet. What kind of house will you build for Me?” says the Lord, ‘Or what place is there for My repose? Was it not My hand which made all these things?’”

**Hebrews 1:3** “And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.”

### **Devotional:**

“When we speak of God as transcendent we mean, of course, that He is exalted far above the created universe, so far above that human thought cannot imagine it. To think accurately about this, however, we must keep in mind that ‘far above’ does not here refer to physical distance from the earth but to quality of being. We are concerned not with location in space nor with mere altitude, but with life.” (Tozer, KoH, 69).

“When the psalmist saw the transgression of the wicked, his heart told him how it could be. ‘There is no fear of God before his eyes,’ he explained, and in so saying revealed to us the psychology of sin. When men no longer fear God, they transgress His laws without hesitation. The fear of consequences is no deterrent when the fear of God is gone....

In olden days men of faith were said to ‘walk in the fear of God’ and to ‘serve the Lord with fear.’ However intimate their communion with

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God, however bold their prayers, at the base of their religious life was the conception of God as awesome and dreadful. This idea of God transcendent runs through the whole Bible and gives color and tone to the character of the saints. This fear of God was more than a natural apprehension of danger, it was a nonrational dread, an acute feeling of personal insufficiency in the presence of God the Almighty.” (Tozer, KoH, 71)

### **Question to consider:**

What are at least five ways people today show they do not fear God?

### **Prayer**

**Conclude with silence (2 minutes)**

### **Afternoon/Evening Question to Consider:**

How is my life different from unbelievers because I fear God?

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## **Devotional - Day 5**

### **Day 5 – God's Omnipresence**

**Silence and Stillness before God (2 minutes)** – prepare your heart and mind to hear from God

**Scripture: Jeremiah 23:23-24** “‘Am I a God who is near,’ declares the LORD, ‘And not a God far off? Can a man hide himself in hiding places so I do not see him?’ declares the LORD. ‘Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?’ declares the LORD.”

**Proverbs 15:3** “The eyes of the LORD are in every place, watching the evil and the good.”

**1 Kings 8:27** “But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain You, how much less this house which I have built!”

**Matthew 6:6** “But you, when you pray, go into your inner room, close your door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees what is done in secret will reward you.”

### **Devotional:**

“The word present, of course, means here, close to, next to, and the prefix omni give it universality. God everywhere here, close to everything, next to everyone. ...the Scriptures teach that God is infinite. This means that His being knows no limits. Therefore there can be no limit to His presence; He is omnipresent. In His infinitude He surrounds the finite creation and contains it. There is no place beyond Him for anything to be. God is our environment as the sea is to the fish and the air to the bird.” (Tozer, KoH, 74)

“Canon W. G. H. Holmes of India told of seeing Hindu worshipers tapping on trees and stones and whispering, ‘Are you there? Are you there?’ to the god they hoped might reside within. In complete humility the instructed Christian brings the answer to that question. God is indeed there. He is there as He is here and everywhere, not confined to tree or stone, but free

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in the universe, near to everything, next to everyone, and through Jesus Christ immediately accessible to every loving heart. The doctrine of the divine omnipresence decides this forever.” (KoH, 76)

### **Question to consider:**

Does God's omnipresence comfort or disturb you? Why?

### **Prayer**

**Conclude with silence (2 minutes)**

### **Afternoon/Evening Question to Consider:**

God is especially near to the brokenhearted. Who do you know that is brokenhearted? Is it you? Remember the brokenhearted in prayer right now.



## Week #3: God's Omniscience, Omnipotence, & Omnipresence

**GOAL:** The three attributes we will be studying this week all begin with the same prefix, Omni. This means “all” or “in all ways.” God is all knowing (omniscient), all powerful (omnipotent), and present everywhere all the time (omnipresent). These truths can cause people to feel either comfort or discomfort, which is usually a reflection of the level of intimacy they experience in their relationship with God. May your study of these attributes draw you closer to the God who sees all and knows all about you, and loves you so much that He used His almighty power to make a way to redeem you and have a relationship with you!

### LOVING GOD:

- \* Memory Verse: **Hebrews 4:13** “Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.”
- \* 2 minutes of silence
- \* Devotional: choose one of the 5 devotionals for this week on the Omniscience, Omnipotence, & Omnipresence of God to read aloud to the group.
- \* Question to Consider: this will come from the devotional as well
- \* 2 minutes of silence

### BUILDING COMMUNITY:

- \* Growing Connected Questions
  - If you had one minute on national TV to say something about God, what would you say?
  - What stood out to you from this past week’s message?

### MAKING DISCIPLES:

- \* Bible Study Scriptures:  
Read the following Scriptures out loud in the group: **Psalm 139:1-18; Isaiah 40:13-14; Romans 11:33-36; Luke 1:37**

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### \* Questions:

- Of the three Omni attributes of God, which is most difficult for you to grasp?
- It is easy to say, "God knows everything," but what specific things are listed in **Psalm 139:1-6** that He knows about you? How does this make you feel?
- Where does **Psalm 139:7-12** tell us God is? Have you ever felt alone?  
How could these verses help challenge that feeling?
- Read **Psalm 139:13-18**. In what ways do these verses show God's power?
- What do you learn about God in **Isaiah 40:13-14** and **Romans 11:33-36**? How should these verses affect the way I respond to God when I don't understand why something happens the way it does?
- Read **Luke 1:37**. What circumstance or situation in your life right now seems impossible to overcome? How does this verse speak to that situation?

### \* Application questions:

- How does my understanding of God being omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent affect my relationship with Him?
- If I truly understand and believe this about God, how will it affect the way I live?
- What is God saying to me? What am I going to do about it?

### \* Daily Devotionals:

- Read the daily devotions for Week #3 "The Omniscience, Omnipotence, & Omnipresence of God."

### \*Going Deeper (The following are added optional resources for you to help you grow in your understanding of this week's attribute(s) of God):

- If you want to take the challenge, get a copy of A. W. Tozer's *The Knowledge of the Holy*, and read chapters 10, 12, & 14.

# *Prayer Requests*