

GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

1. Introduction.

- a. Draw a picture or write words that come to mind when you think about God. Explain some of these words or images. Where do these images or phrases come from? What do they tell you about who you believe God to be?
- b. Which of God's attributes is most difficult for you to believe? What might be the danger of not believing this to be true of God's character?
- c. Describe a time when you have felt wonder and emotion for God. What attributes stirred your emotions?

2. Definition.

- a. God's attributes are the inherent characteristics and qualities that identify, express, and distinguish the essential nature of who God is.
- b. Also see *God's Names* and *God's Roles*.

3. Importance.

- a. Everyone, including atheists, have ideas about God. The question is whether are our ideas about God are accurate to the reality of who he really is.
- b. We desperately need a correct view of God.
- c. "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us."¹
- d. Because we are made in God's image, understanding God's identity is the basis for understanding our own identity.
 - (1) **Ge 1:26-27** 26 Then God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the heavens, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image. In the image of God he created him. Male and female he created them.
 - (2) **Ge 5:1-2** 1 When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. 2 Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created.

4. General Principles.

- a. God's attributes are essential to himself and are not standards outside himself.
 - (1) "Moral purity and love are not abstract ideas that God must attain in order to satisfy the reason of man. Whatever God thinks, says, and does is moral purity, and whatever he thinks, says, and does is love. There is no standard of moral purity or love outside God to which he can be compared."
- b. God's attributes are intrinsic and permanent and cannot be lost.
- c. God is all of his attributes, all the time, everywhere.

¹ A. W. Tozer.

- (1) “The various perfections of God are not component parts of God. Each describes His total being. Love, for example, is not a part of God’s nature; God in His total being is love.”²
- d. God’s attributes are not in conflict with one another.
 - (1) “Although God may display one quality or another at a given time, no quality is independent of or preeminent over any of the others. Whenever God displays His wrath, He is still love. When He shows His love, He does not abandon His holiness.”³
 - (2) **Ex 34:6-7** 6 Yahweh passed before [Moses] and proclaimed, Yahweh, Yahweh, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in loyal love and faithfulness, 7 keeping loyal love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children’s children, to the third and the fourth generation.
 - (3) “To say God sometimes acts from moral purity and other times acts from love is blasphemy. God’s moral purity and love are as harmonious as God himself. By definition, everything God thinks, says, and does is morally pure and loving to an infinite degree. He is the very definition of moral purity and love.”
- e. God’s attributes are to be held in perfect balance.
 - (1) “God’s love is holy, just, and true.”
 - (2) “God’s righteousness is merciful, compassionate, and faithful.”
- f. These attributes describe the only true God who exists.
 - (1) “Man creates his own false gods whom he can manipulate and control. Christian people sometimes concoct a perverted or deficient concept of God for the same reason—to be able to manipulate Him or not to have to face up to the true and living God. But the only actual God who exists is the One who is revealed primarily in the Bible and revealed by these attributes or perfections of His being. To be able to know this living and true God requires a miracle of the gracious revelation of Himself. To walk in worship with that living and true God is the privilege of all who know Him.”⁴
- g. Father, Son, and Spirit share these attributes equally and infinitely.
 - (1) The distinct characteristics of the three persons of the Trinity are called “properties,” further divided into functions, activities, and acts.

5. Possible Categories.

- a. Absolute and relative.
 - (1) Absolute: attributes that belong to the essence of God himself.
 - (a) Eternity, infinity, immutability.
 - (2) Relative: attributes that relate to creatures and creation.
 - (a) Omnipresence, sovereignty, grace.
- b. Incommunicable and communicable.
 - (1) Incommunicable: attributes that belong only to God.

² Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 39.

³ Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 39.

⁴ Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 50.

- (a) Eternity, infinity, omnipotence.
- (2) Communicable: attributes found in a relative degree in people.
 - (a) Wisdom, justice, love.
- c. Natural (nonmoral) and moral.
 - (1) Nonmoral: self-existence, infinity, omnipotence.
 - (2) Moral: justice, holiness, love.
 - (3) Below, we will use this categorisation.

6. Natural Attributes: the Greatness of God.

a. Life cluster.

- (1) Life: God is characterised by life and existence.
 - (a) God's kind of life differs from that of every other living being.
 - (b) God does not derive his life from any external source.
 - (c) God is uncaused. He is self-existent and self-sufficient.
 - (d) It is impossible for God not to exist.
 - (e) God doesn't need us.
 - (f) Scripture.
 - 1) **Ex 3:14** 14 God said to Moses, I am who I am. And he said, Say this to the people of Israel: I am has sent me to you.
 - 2) **Jer 10:10** 10 But Yahweh is the true God. He is the living God and the everlasting King.
 - 3) **Jn 5:26** 26 For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.
 - 4) **Ac 17:25** 25 ...Nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, because he himself gives to all mankind life, breath, and everything.
 - 5) **1 Th 1:9** 9 For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God....
- (2) Personhood: God is personal.
- (3) Unity: There is but one God, who is indivisible.
 - (a) God is not a composite or compound being.
 - (b) The three persons of the Trinity are in essence one.
 - (c) Scripture.
 - 1) **Dt 6:4** 4 Hear, O Israel: Yahweh our God, Yahweh is one.
 - 2) **1 Co 8:6** 6 ... Yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Messiah, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.
 - 3) **Eph 4:6** 6 ...One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.
 - 4) **1 Ti 2:5** 5 For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Messiah Jesus....
- (4) Immutability: God is consistent, unchangeable, and never growing or developing.
 - (a) Immutability assures us that none of God's attributes change.
 - (b) Scripture.
 - 1) **Mal 3:6** 6 For I, Yahweh, do not change. Therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.
 - 2) **Jas 1:17** 17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.
- (5) Freedom: God operates totally independently of his creation.
 - (a) God is restricted only by his own nature.
 - (b) God is not obligated to anyone unless he chooses to obligate himself.

- (c) God does not have to do anything for us unless he chooses to do so.
- (d) God's freedom does not mean God is aloof or indifferent.
- (e) Scripture.
 - 1) **Ps 135:6** 6 Whatever Yahweh pleases, he does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.
- (6) Joy.
- b. Infinity cluster.
 - (1) Infinity: God has no bounds or limits.
 - (a) **1 Ki 8:27** 27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you. How much less this house that I have built!
 - (b) **Acts 17:24** 24 The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man....
 - (2) Spirituality: God is not composed of our bound by matter.
 - (a) God is a totally different type of being than anyone or anything else.
 - (b) God does not have the limitations of a physical body.
 - (c) God is not destructible.
 - (d) Anthropomorphisms express truth about God through human analogies.
 - (e) Theophanies are temporary manifestations of God.
 - (f) God cannot be represented by any physical object or likeness.
 - (g) God is not restricted by geographical location.
 - (h) Scripture.
 - 1) **Jn 1:18** 18 No one has ever seen God. The only God [Jesus], who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.
 - 2) **Jn 4:24** 24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.
 - 3) **1 Ti 1:17** 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.
 - 4) **1 Ti 6:16** 16 ... Who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see.
 - (3) Eternity: God is not bound by time.
 - (a) Eternity is "that perfection of God whereby He is elevated above all temporal limits and all succession of moments, and possesses the whole of His existence in one indivisible present."⁵
 - (b) God sees the past and future as clearly as the present.
 - (c) God sees history as a succession of events, but he is not bound by that succession.
 - (d) Scripture.
 - 1) **Ge 21:33** 33 Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba and called there on the name of Yahweh, the Everlasting God.
 - 2) **Ps 90:2** 2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
 - (4) Transcendence: God is not bound by space.

⁵ Louis Berkhof, *Systematic Theology* (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1978), 60.

- (a) Is 6.1-5; 55.8-9
- (5) Incomprehensibility: We cannot know God's qualities or nature completely and exhaustively.
 - (a) God is not limited by our ability to understand him.
 - (b) Our doctrinal ideas cannot fully exhaust God's nature.
 - (c) There will always be an element of mystery regarding God.
 - (d) "God is more than the sum total of His perfections. When we have listed all the attributes we can glean from revelation, we have not fully described God. This stems from His incomprehensibility."⁶
- c. Three "omni's" cluster.
 - (1) Omnipresence: God is everywhere present with his whole being at all times.
 - (a) God's being is not diffused throughout the universe as if part of him is here and part of him is there. His whole being is present in every place.⁷
 - (b) God penetrates the entire universe, yet he is not exhausted by the universe.
 - (c) Although God transcends the universe, he is also immanent, present, and active everywhere in the universe.
 - (d) The immediacy of God's presence can vary.
 - (e) Omnipresence differs from pantheism. God is not synonymous with the universe.
 - (f) No persons can escape the presence of God.
 - (g) Scripture.
 - 1) **2 Ch 7:2** 2 And the priests could not enter the house of Yahweh, because the glory of Yahweh filled Yahweh's house.
 - 2) **Ps 139:7-10** 7 Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? 8 If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! 9 If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, 10 even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me.
 - 3) **Jer 23:24** 24 Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares Yahweh. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares Yahweh.
 - 4) **Ac 17:27-28** 27 Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, 28 for in him we live and move and have our being.
 - 5) **Ga 2:20** 20 I have been crucified with Messiah. It is no longer I who live, but Messiah who lives in me.
 - 6) **2 Th 1:9** 9 They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might....
 - 7) **He 4:13** 13 And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.
 - 8) **Re 4:2** 2 At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne.
 - (2) Omniscience: God knows all things actual and possible, effortlessly and well.
 - (a) "God knows instantly and effortlessly all matter and all matters, all mind and every mind, all spirit and all spirits, all being and every being, all creaturehood

⁶ Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 39.

⁷ Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 45.

and all creatures, every plurality and all pluralities, all law and every law, all relations, all causes, all thoughts, all mysteries, all enigmas, all feeling, all desires, every unuttered secret, all thrones and dominions, all personalities, all things visible and invisible in heaven and in earth, motion, space, time, life, death, good, evil, heaven, and hell. Because God knows all things perfectly, He knows no thing better than any other thing, but all things equally well. He never discovers anything, He is never surprised, never amazed. He never wonders about anything nor (except when drawing men out for their own good) does He seek information or ask questions.”⁸

- (b) Nothing ever happens in our lives that surprises God.
- (c) “Every warning God gives comes from an omniscient Being, so we should be extremely sensitive to them. He does not warn us on the basis of only guessing what might happen. He knows.”⁹
- (d) God knows what ultimate good will come from events we cannot understand.
- (e) Scripture.
 - 1) **Ps 139:16** 16 In your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.
 - 2) **Is 40:13-14** 13 Who has measured the Spirit of Yahweh, or what man shows him his counsel? 14 Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?
 - 3) **Mt 11:21** 21 Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.
- (3) Omnipotence: God is all-powerful and able to do anything consistent with his own nature.
 - (a) Natural limitations of omnipotent are things God cannot do because they are contrary to his nature.
 - (b) Self-imposed limitations are the things God has chosen not to include in his plan that he might have chosen consistent with his nature.
 - 1) For reasons known only to himself, God chooses not to do all things he could do consistent with his own nature.
 - 2) He did not spare his own Son. He did not choose to save all people. He did not choose all nations in OT times. He did not choose Esau. He did not choose to spare James.
 - (c) Scripture.
 - 1) **Ge 17:1** 1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, Yahweh appeared to Abram and said to him, “I am God Almighty....
 - 2) **Re 1:8** 8 I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.
 - 3) **Ps 33:9** 9 For he spoke, and it came to be. He commanded, and it stood firm.

⁸ A. W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy* (New York: Harper, 1978), 62-63.

⁹ Charles C. Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 47.

- 4) **He 1:3** 3 [Jesus] is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.
- 5) **Ro 1:16** 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
- 6) **1 Pe 1:5** 5 ...Who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.
- 7) **1 Co 6:14** 14 And God raised the Lord [Jesus] and will also raise us up by his power.
- 8) **Eph 1:19** 19 ...And what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might....

d. Sovereignty cluster.

- (1) Sovereignty: God rules supremely over creation, creatures, and history.
 - (a) God may choose to let certain event happen according to natural laws he has ordained.
 - (b) God's sovereignty *can* be reconciled with human freedom and responsibility.
 - 1) "Sovereignty/freedom forms an antinomy ('a contradiction between two apparently equally valid principles or between inferences correctly drawn from such principles'). Antinomies in the Bible, however, consist only of apparent contradictions, not ultimate ones."
 - (c) God is not the author of evil. He is holy.
 - (d) Sin is present temporarily by God's permission.
 - (e) Scripture.
 - 1) **Eph 1:11** 11 In [Jesus] we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will....
 - 2) **Pr 16:4** 4 Yahweh has made everything for its purpose, even the wicked for the day of trouble.
- (2) Glory (majesty).

7. Moral Attributes: the Goodness of God.

a. Holiness cluster.

- (1) Holiness: God is morally pure, distinct from all others, and separate from all that is evil.
 - (a) There is a separation of God's holiness and much of what happens in our world.
 - (b) There will always be a difference between God and man, the Creator and the creature.
 - (c) We are not to have an excessive familiarity with God.
 - (d) Scripture.
 - 1) **Le 11:44** 44 For I am Yahweh your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am holy.
 - 2) **Ps 99:9** 9 Exalt Yahweh our God, and worship at his holy mountain, for Yahweh our God is holy!
 - 3) **Is 6:3-5** 3 And one called to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is Yahweh of hosts. The whole earth is full of his glory! 4 And the foundations of the

thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. 5 And I said: Woe is me! For I am lost. for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips. For my eyes have seen the King, Yahweh of hosts!

- 4) **Is 40:25** 25 To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One.
 - 5) **Lk 5:8** 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.
 - 6) **1 Pe 1:15** 15 ...But as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct....
 - 7) **1 Jn 1:5-7** 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
 - 8) **Re 4:8** 8 And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was, is, and is to come!
- (2) Righteousness: there is no law with God's own being or of his own making that is violated by anything he is or does. Every action he takes accords with morality and justice to the highest degree. He is absolutely righteous in relation to himself and relatively righteous in relation to creation.
- (a) **Ps 11:7** 7 For Yahweh is righteous. He loves righteous deeds. The upright shall behold his face.
 - (b) **Ps 19:9** 9 ...The rules of Yahweh are true, and righteous altogether.
 - (c) **Da 9:7** 7 To you, Yahweh, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel....
 - (d) **Ac 17:31** 31 ...[God] has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed...
- (3) Justice.
- (4) Goodness: God is benevolently concerned for his creatures.
- (a) Goodness is not determined by the shifting flux of human opinion, but by God's very character.
 - (b) **A 14:17** 17 Yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good by giving you rains from heaven and fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness.
- b. Love cluster.
- (1) Love: God seeks the highest good and glory of the objects he loves.
 - (a) **Ro 5:5** 5 ...God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.
 - (b) **Eph 2:4-5** 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Messiah—by grace you have been saved....

- (c) **1 Jn 4:8-10** 8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.
- (d) God's love doesn't not operate apart from his other attributes, including holiness and justice.
- (2) Compassion:
- (3) Kindness:
- (4) Patience: God's self-restraint in the face of provocation.
 - (a) **1 Pe 3:20** 20 ...God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared....
 - (b) **2 Pe 3:9** 9 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient (μακροθυμέω, pres.) toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.
 - (c) **2 Pe 3:15** 15 And count the patience of our Lord as salvation....
- (5) Mercy: God's pity and compassion for his creatures.
 - (a) **Eph 2:4** 4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us....
 - (b) **Jas 5:11** 11 Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.
- (6) Grace: God's unmerited favour shown to man in the person and work of Jesus.
- c. Integrity cluster.
 - (1) Truth: God is consistent with himself, he has revealed himself as he really is, and his revelation is completely reliable.
 - (a) God does nothing inconsistent with himself.
 - (b) The Bible, God's word, is perfectly true.
 - (c) Scripture.
 - 1) **Jn 17:3** 3 And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God....
 - 2) **Tt 1:2** 2 ...Which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began....
 - 3) **Ro 3:4** 4 Let God be true though every one were a liar....
 - 4) **He 6:18** 18 ...It is impossible for God to lie....
 - (2) Wisdom: God knows the best course of action in every circumstance.
 - (3) Faithfulness: God always fulfils his promises.
 - (a) **Nu 23:19** 19 God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfil it?
 - (b) **2 Ti 2:13** 13 If we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

8. Summary.

- a. "God is living and personal, one in essence and three in person. He is unlike any other being that ever was or ever will be. He has no limit or time. He is real, eternal, omnipotent and unchanging. Intellectually, God is omniscient, faithful and wise. God

is good! He is just and merciful and loving. He is emotional in that he detests evil. He is long-suffering and He is compassionate. God is also relational! He is transcendent and immanent which means that while He is completely independent and needs nothing for His existence, He is also fully present in the world and accessible to all of humanity while He works out His plan for redemption.”¹⁰

9. Proper Response.

- a. Awe.
- b. Relationship.
- c. Worship.
- d. Love.
- e. Trust.

10. Recommended Reading.

- a. J. B. Phillips, *Your God Is Too Small*.
- b. Stephen Charnock, *Discourses upon the Existence and Attributes of God*.
- c. A. W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy*.

11. Application.

- a. Constantly refine your ideas about God according to Scripture.
- b. In prayer, thank God for each of his attributes.
- c. Care about what God thinks, not about what man thinks.

¹⁰ Gordon Lewis, quoted in Christy Spader and Hannah Cospier, *Identity*, Kindle Locations 106-110.

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Notes

Exodus 34:6-7 6 Yahweh passed by in front of [Moses] and proclaimed: Yahweh, Yahweh God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in loyal love and truth, 7 who keeps loyal love for thousands, who forgives iniquity, offense, and sin. Yet he will by no means leave sin unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers on the children and on the grandchildren to the third and fourth generations.

Deuteronomy 7:9-10 9 Know therefore that Yahweh your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and loyal love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations, 10 and repays to their face those who hate him, by destroying them. He will not be slack with one who hates him. He will repay him to his face.

Deuteronomy 10:17-18 17 For Yahweh your God is God of gods (אֱלֹהֵי הָאֱלֹהִים) and Lord of lords (אֲדֹנָי הַאֲדֹנָיִם), the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. 18 He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing.

Deuteronomy 32:3-4 3 For I will proclaim the name of Yahweh. Ascribe greatness to our God! 4 The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he.

2 Samuel 22:26-28 26 With the merciful you show yourself merciful. With the blameless man you show yourself blameless. 27 With the purified you deal purely, and with the crooked you make yourself seem tortuous. 28 You save a humble people, but your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down.

1 Chronicles 16:23-27 23 Sing to Yahweh, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day. 24 Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! 25 For great is Yahweh, and greatly to be praised, and he is to be feared above all gods. 26 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but Yahweh made the heavens. 27 Splendor and majesty are before him. Strength and joy are in his place.

1 Chronicles 29:10-13 10 Therefore David blessed Yahweh in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: Blessed are you, Yahweh, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. 11 Yours, Yahweh, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, Yahweh, and you are exalted as head above all. 12 Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. 13 And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

Psalms 33:4-5 4 For the word of Yahweh is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. 5 He loves righteousness and justice. The earth is full of the loyal love of Yahweh.

Psalms 36:5-10 5 Your loyal love, Yahweh, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. 6 Your righteousness is like the mountains of God. Your judgments are like the great

deep. Man and beast you save, Yahweh. 7 How precious is your loyal love, God! The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. 8 They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. 9 For with you is the fountain of life. In your light do we see light. 10 Oh, continue your loyal love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

Psalm 40:9-11 9 I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation. Behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, Yahweh. 10 I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart. I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation. I have not concealed your loyal love and your faithfulness from the great congregation. 11 As for you, Yahweh, you will not restrain your mercy from me. Your loyal love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

Psalm 46:8 10 Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

Psalm 62:11-12 11 Once God has spoken, twice have I heard this, that power belongs to God, 12 and that to you, Yahweh, belongs loyal love. For you will render to a man according to his work.

Psalm 85:10-13 10 Loyal love and faithfulness meet. Righteousness and peace kiss each other. 11 Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky. 12 Yes, Yahweh will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. 13 Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

Psalm 86:5 5 For you, Yahweh, are good and forgiving, abounding in loyal love to all who call upon you.

Psalm 86:15 15 But you, Yahweh, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loyal love and faithfulness.

Psalm 89:14 14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne. Loyal love and faithfulness go before you.

Psalm 98:2-3 2 Yahweh has made known his salvation. He has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations. 3 He has remembered his loyal love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Psalm 100:5 5 For Yahweh is good. His loyal love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalm 103

Ps 108:4-5 4 Your loyal love is great above the heavens, and your truth is to the skies. 5 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, and your glory above all the earth.

Psalm 111

Psalm 116:5 5 Gracious is Yahweh, and righteous. Our God is merciful.

Psalm 145

Isaiah 33:5-6 5 Yahweh is exalted, for he dwells on high. He will fill Zion with justice and righteousness, 6 and he will be the stability of your times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge. The fear of Yahweh is Zion's treasure.

Jeremiah 9:24 24 ...Let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am Yahweh who practices loyal love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares Yahweh.

Daniel 2:20-22 20 Daniel answered and said: Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might. 21 He changes times and seasons. He removes kings and sets up kings. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding. 22 He reveals deep and hidden things. He knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him.

Hosea 2:19-20 19 And I will betroth you to me forever. I will betroth you to me in righteousness and in justice, in loyal love and in mercy. 20 I will betroth you to me in faithfulness. And you shall know Yahweh.

Joel 2:13 13 Return to Yahweh your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in loyal love, and he relents over disaster.

Jonah 4:2 2 And [Jonah] prayed to Yahweh and said, Yahweh, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish, for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in loyal love, and relenting from disaster.

Romans 1:19-21 19 For what can be known about God is plain to [men], because God has shown it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Romans 11:33-36 33 Oh, the depth of the riches, wisdom, and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! 34 For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? 35 Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid? 36 For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

1 Timothy 1:17 17 To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

1 Timothy 6:15-16 15 ...He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

Titus 3:4-7 4 But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Messiah our Savior, 7 so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Revelation 5:11-14 11 Then I [John] looked, and I heard around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power, wealth, wisdom, might, honor, glory, and blessing! 13 And I heard every creature in heaven, on earth, under the earth, and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing, honor, glory, and might forever and ever! 14 And the four living creatures said, Amen! and the elders fell down and worshiped.