

GOD'S ESSENCE

1. God is one in essence. Essence means the characteristics that make up God. (John 10:30-I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE.” LIGHT-Made up of RED, BLUE, YELLOW, but we see only white.
2. The Essence of God resides in three Persons: The Father, Son and Holy Spirit. All have the same essence or characteristics, and they have them to the same degree—infinite. I Peter 1:2, II Corinthians 13:14; Isaiah 48:16.
3. God's Essence is made up of:

JUSTICE	LOVE
+R	OMNIPOTENCE
SOVEREIGNTY	OMNISCIENCE
IMMUTIBILITY	OMNIPRESENCE
VERASCITY	ETERNAL LIFE

SOVEREIGNTY

- a. God is the supreme being of the universe. Deuteronomy 4:39; I Samuel 2:6-8; I Chronicles 29:11, Acts, 17:24.
- b. He is the King of Heaven and Earth. Psalms 47:2, Matthew 6:13b; Hebrews 8:1; Revelation 4:2-3.
- c. He is **Eternal**, Psalms 93:2; **Infinite** Psalms 8:1; Hebrews 6:13; **Self-determining** Job 9:12; Psalms 115:3; Proverbs 21:1; Daniel 4:35.
- d. Expression of Divine Volition. Ephesians 1:5.
- e. God's will towards the unbeliever. II Peter 3:9 Not willing, that any man should perish. He does not, however, force His will over man's. John 17:7; Revelation 22:17.
- f. Application of God's Sovereignty to you and me. Acts 13:22; Ephesians 1:4-6; Philippians 2:13.

+RIGHTEOUSNESS

- a. God is +R and absolute holiness. I Samuel. 2:2; Psalms 22:3, Psalms 11:9; John 17:11; Revelation 3:7.
- b. God is absolute good. Psalms 25:8; 34:8; Luke 18:19.
- c. God is free from sin. II Corinthians 5:21; I John 1:5.
He is perfect in character and person. Deuteronomy 32:4, Psalms 7:9, 11:3; Jeremiah 23:6; Romans 10:3; I John 2:29.
God's +R is a matter of attitude as well as action. Deuteronomy 32:4; II Samuel 22:31; Daniel 9:14; Revelation 19:2.
- d. God's +R rejects human standards of +R. Isaiah 64:6; Titus 3:5.
- e. God's +R is available to anyone who believes in Jesus Christ Romans 3:22.

JUSTICE

- a. God is Fair. It is impossible for Him to be unfair. Deuteronomy 32:4; II Chronicles 119:7; Job 37:23; Psalms 58:11; Isaiah 45:21; Rom 3:26.
- b. Justice is what transferred our sins to Jesus Christ, thereby not allowing any compromising of attributes. God is now free to pardon and justify anyone who believes in Jesus Christ. Romans 3:21-28, 4:5.

LOVE

- a. God's love is eternal and unchangeable. Jeremiah 31:3.
- b. The Father's love is specifically stated in John 3:16; I John 2:15; I John 3:1.
- c. The Son's Love is declared in Romans 8:35.
- d. The love of God will not permit separation; you cannot be separated from the love of God. Romans 8:38-39.
God's love is made complete in those who learn and apply His Word. I John 2:5.
- e. God's love in the filling of the Holy Spirit is declared in Romans 5:5.

ETERNAL LIFE

- a. God is absolute existence. Exodus 3:14; John 8:58; Psalm 90:2.
- b. Jesus Christ is eternal life and always existed with the Father. John 1:1-3.
- c. Jesus Christ is eternal life and shares it with us at salvation. I John 5:11-12.

OMNISCIENCE

- a. God is all knowledge. I Samuel 2:3; John 26:6; Job 37:16; Psalm 139:1-6; Jeremiah 16:7; Ezekiel 11:5; Hebrews 4:13.
God is infinite in wisdom and understanding. I Samuel 16:7; Psalm 44:21; Proverbs 5:21; Isaiah 40:13-14; Jeremiah 17:10, 51:15, I John 3:20.
God knows the end from the beginning. Isaiah 41:6; Isaiah 42:9, 46:10; Acts 2:23, 15:18; I Peter 1:2.

OMNIPRESENCE

- a. God is ever present. He is not limited by space or time. He is imminent and transcendent. Jeremiah 23:24; Acts 17:27.
- b. Heaven is His Throne and earth is His footstool. Deuteronomy 4:39.
- c. The heavens cannot contain Him. I Kings 8:27; Acts 17:24.

OMNIPOTENCE

- a. God is all powerful and limitless in His ability. Genesis 17:1; Job 26:7; Isaiah 50:2; Jeremiah 27:5, 32:27; Revelation 4:8.
- b. God is limitless in His authority. Psalm 33:9; Romans 13:1; Hebrews 1:3.
- c. The manifestation of His power is found in II Chronicles. 16:9, 25:8; Psalm 74:13.

IMMUTABILITY

- a. God cannot change. Psalm 102:26-27; Hebrews 1:12.
- b. He is absolute stability. Isaiah 40:28; James 1:17.
- c. His Word and His works are unchangeable. Psalm 118:89; Isa 40:8.
- d. From His immutability comes His faithfulness. I Corinthians 1:9; I Thes. 5:24; Hebrews 10:23; I John 1:9; II Timothy 2:12-13; I Peter 4:19; II Thessalonians 3:3.

VERACITY

- a. God is absolute Truth. Deuteronomy 32:4.
- b. His truthfulness is manifested by what He does. Psalm 25:10; Psalm 3:4; Daniel 4:37.
- c. By His Word. II Samuel 7:28; Psalm 19:9, 119:142; II Corinthians 6:7; Ephesians 1:13.

