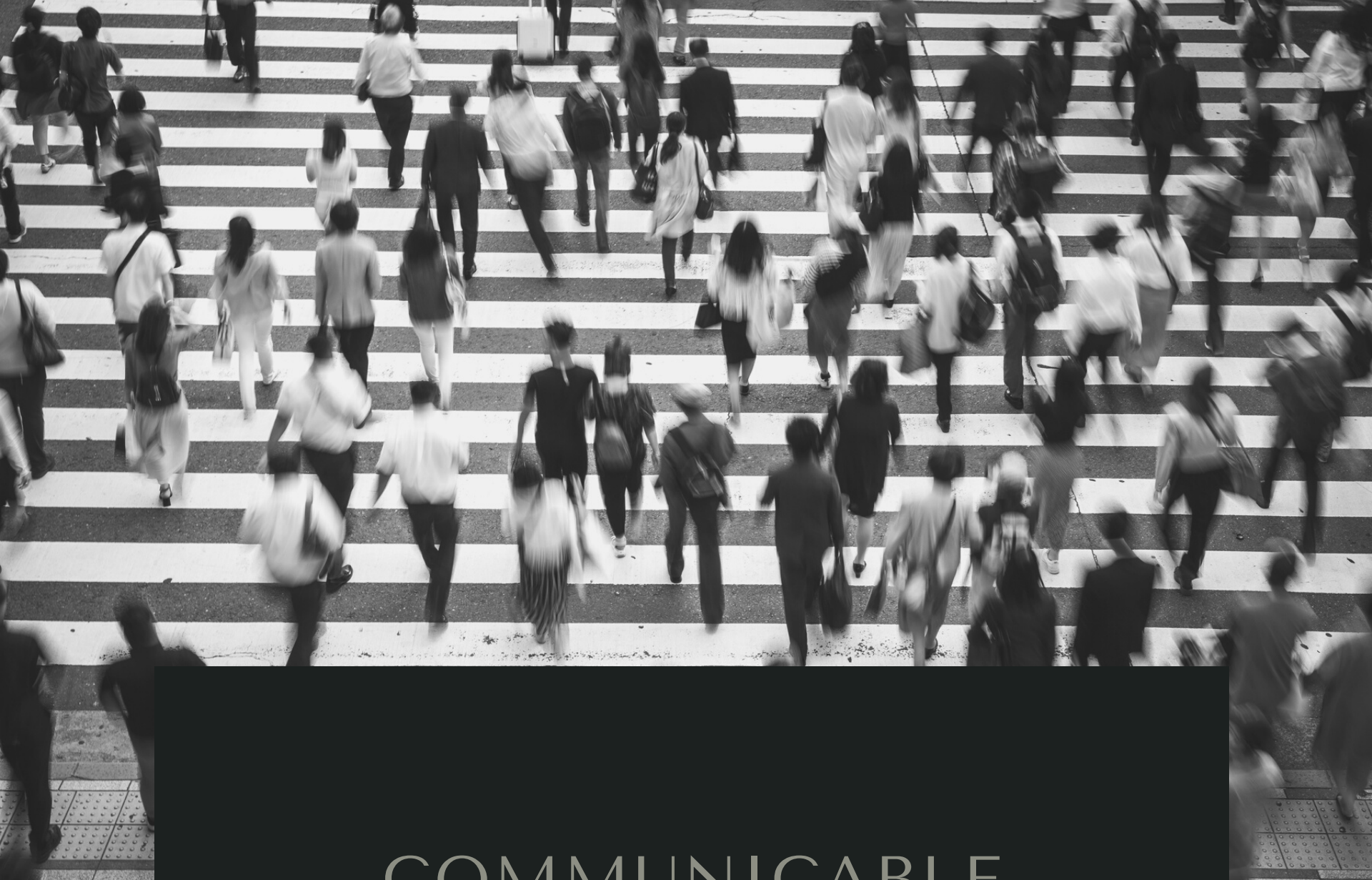


INTELLECT

# ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

THE CHARACTERISTICS OF GOD HE HAS REVEALED





## COMMUNICABLE

Attributes of God which have some human, finite analogy to illustrate them.



## INCOMMUNICABLE

Attributes of God which have no finite illustration to which they can be compared



# God's Incommunicable Attributes

## ASEITY

God is utterly independent and without origin while being the ultimate source of life for all things.

(John 5:36,  
Romans 11:33-36,  
Psalm 36:9)

## IMMUTABILITY

God is utterly perfect and not subject to change in His essence, though he is dynamic.

(Malachi 3:6,  
James 1:17,  
Hebrews 18:8)

## UNITY

God is uniquely one in number and not divisible.

(Mark 12:28-31,  
John 5:44, John  
10:30)

## INFINITY

God has no limitations save for self-limitations.

(Psalm 102:27,  
Psalm 90:2, Jer.  
23:24, 1 Kings  
8:27, Psalm  
139:7ff)

# God's Communicable Attributes

## SPIRITUALITY

God is Spirit  
Source of Life

## INTELECT

Omniscient  
Omnisapient  
Veracity

## MORALITY

Goodness  
Holiness  
Righteousness

## SOVEREIGNTY

Sovereign Will  
Sovereign Power  
(Omnipotence)



# INTELLECT

OMNICIENCE

(GOD IS ALL KNOWING)

OMNISAPIENCE

(GOD IS PERFECTLY WISE)

VERACITY

(GOD IS PERFECTLY TRUE)



# OMNISCIENT

GOD IS ALL KNOWING.





# OMNISCIENT

- God is conscious (thinking and knowing).
- His knowledge is perfect in quality and quantity.
- He knows everything and everyone, including all potentiality from all eternity.
- No one can add to God's knowledge.

(Is. 40:13-14, Is. 40:27-28,  
Hebrews 4:13, 1 John 3:20).



# OMNISCIENT

ISAIAH 40:13-14

*Who has measured the Spirit of the Lord,  
or what man shows him his counsel?*

*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?*



# OMNISCIENT

HEBREWS 4:13

*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.*

1 JOHN 3:20

*for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything.*



# OMNISCIENT

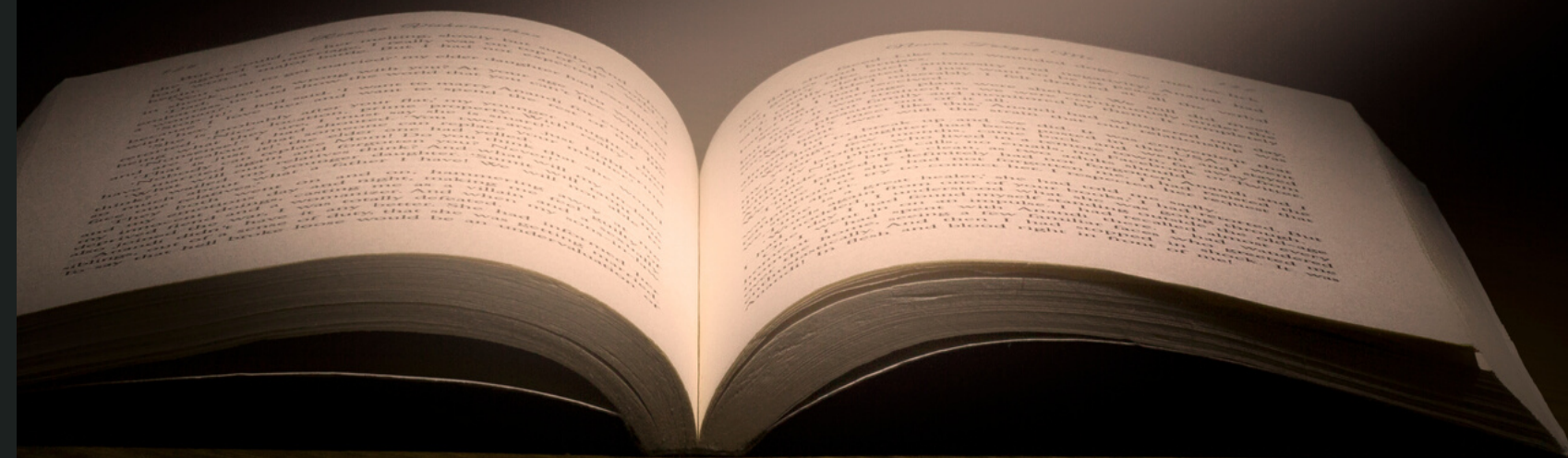
## Implications : God's Care for Us

Since God is omniscient...

- **Care:** God cares for His children with infinitely personal knowledge of the smallest details and desires of our lives.
- **Prayer:** When we pray we do not inform Him, we petition the One who knows our need and can do what is needed.

# OMNISAPIENT

GOD IS PERFECTLY WISE.





# OMNISAPIENT

ROMANS 11:33-36

*33 Oh, the depth of the riches and 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.*

# OMNISAPIENT

## ROMANS 8:28-30

*28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. 29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.*



# OMNISAPIENT

## Implications of Omnisapience:

**Maximum Good For Us.** Wisdom is knowledge applied to God's perfect plan to bring about the best good for those who love Him and the most glory for Himself (Romans 8:28-30).

**Maximum Glory For God.** God's glory is the ultimate purpose of all things. The point of God glorifying Himself is to reveal who He really is (Romans 11:33-36).

**Whatever happens is in His plan.** Therefore, whatever God allows in the lives of His children is what will best form us into the image of Christ (not what we think we need, but what we truly need) and will bring Him the greatest glory.



# VERACITY

GOD IS TRUE, TRUTHFUL,  
AND FAITHFUL.





# VERACITY

## TRUTH

God is the God of Truth. What he reveals is certain and in accordance with reality (John 17:3, 1 Thess. 1:5, Numbers 23:19, Romans 3:4, Hebrews 6:18)

## TRUTHFULNESS

Since God is truthful, what he reveals/promises is true (John 17:17)

## FAITHFULNESS

God fulfills His promises/covenants perfectly. Our hope is sure, because our hope is in Him. There is no need to despair. (Numbers 23:19, 1 Cor. 10:13).

# VERACITY

## TRUTH

*So that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us.*

*- Hebrews 6:18*

## TRUTHFULNESS

*Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.*

*-John 17:17*

## FAITHFULNESS

*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 fulfill it? -Numbers 23:19*



# VERACITY

## Implications of God's Veracity:

**God cannot lie.** Not only does he know all things, everything He says is true and binding. God's Word is sure!

**We can stake everything on His Word:** our lives, livelihood, possessions, family, friends, even our eternity on His Word!

**Scripture provides the only true and logically cohesive worldview.** Thus, we can confidently declare His Word, knowing that it will not fail or return void.



## WORSHIP AND LOVE

The response to God's greatness is to love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

(see Mark 12:28-31)

# OUR RESPONSE