

Fundamentals of the Faith

Lesson Two

GOD

Introduction:

- A. God is the supreme being of the universe. The Creator of all things, and the first person of the Godhead.
 - 1. Man is compelled to worship God because of who He is and what He is.
 - 2. The better understanding we have of God, the more man desires God.
 - 3. As man learns more about God, he realizes that he is dependant upon Him for life, material blessings, and salvation.

- B. The Bible is a history of man's relationship with God.
 - 1. The purpose of the Bible is to relate the development of the scheme of redemption.
 - 2. The Bible shows throughout the history of man, whether he is has pleased or displeased God.
- C. It is needful that man understand God and His will.
 - 1. Without a proper understanding , man will worship God in ignorance.
 - 2. The starting point of religion is a true knowledge of the true God.
 - 3. The purpose of this lesson will be to present matters about God that are vital to know.

I. Qualities of God.

- A. God is all powerful – *omnipotent*.
 - 1. Genesis 18:14
 - 2. Job 26:14
 - 3. Isaiah 26:14
- B. God is present everywhere- *omnipresent*.
 - 1. Psalms 139:7-10
 - 2. Proverbs 15:3
 - 3. Acts 17:27.
- C. God knows everything – *omniscient*.
 - 1. 1 Sam. 2:3
 - 2. Psa. 139:3,4
 - 3. Ps. 42:21 “Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.”
- D. God is changeless – *immutable*
 - 1. Ps. 89:34 “My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips”
 - 2. Mal 3:6 KJV “For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.”
 - 3. James 1:7
- E. God is spirit – John 4:24

II. Character of God.

- A. He is perfect – Matthew 5:48
- B. He is holy - 2 Ki 19:22 “Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high? even against the Holy One of Israel.”
- C. God is just – Rom. 3:26 “To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.”
- D. He is faithful – 1 Cor. 1:9
- E. He is longsuffering – Rom. 2:4
- F. He is compassionate – Psa. 111:4
- G. God is loving – 1 John 4:8
- H. He is kind – Luke 6:35 “But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil”
- I. He is merciful – Romans 12:1

III. What God has done for us.

- A. Created the universe.
 - 1. Gen. 1:1
 - 2. Neh. 9:6 “Thou, even thou, art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth, and all things that are therein, the seas, and all that is therein, and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.”
- B. God created man in His own image.
 - 1. Gen. 2:7
 - 2. Acts 17:24,25
- C. God sustains and strengthens His saints.
 - 1. Ex. 33:22
 - 2. Matt. 6:26-33

IV. What God requires of us.

- A. Man’s Primary obligation in life is to fear God and obey Him.
 - 1. Acts 5:29
 - 2. Eccl.12:13
- B. We Must love God.
 - 1. Deut. 6:5 “And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.”
 - 2. Psa. 116:1
 - 3. John 14:31 “But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us go hence.”
- C. God demands obedience to His will.
 - 1. Matt 7:21
 - 2. Heb. 5:8,9