

# THE KNOW SERIES

**Who, What, When, Where, Why, How of the Christian Experience**

## LESSON # 9

### THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD



**OBJECTIVE:** This class delves into the nature of God, focusing on His greatness, sovereignty, and goodness. It begins by emphasizing the greatness of God, drawing from various Psalms that magnify His attributes. The class highlights God's incomprehensibility, pointing out that it encompasses what He knows, does, and His very essence. His incorruptibility is discussed, rooted in His holiness and eternality. Additionally, the class underscores God's incomparability, rooted in His unique position and power, citing verses that demonstrate His ability to answer prayers and save humanity.

Moving on to the nature of God's sovereignty, the class explains His powerful control over all things. His position, power, and pleasure are cited as bases for His authority over creation. The class explores God's providential care, delving into His ways, wisdom, work, and will, demonstrating His involvement in the course of events.

Lastly, the class delves into the goodness of God. His unique and unlimited power is explored, evident in His creation, control over time and events, and care for His people. Miracles like Isaac's birth, Job's experiences, and the resurrection of Jesus are presented as demonstrations of God's unlimited power. His power is experienced by believers in various aspects of their lives, including salvation, suffering, supply of needs, inner strength, and sharing the gospel.

Overall, the class provides a comprehensive overview of the multifaceted nature of God's greatness, sovereignty, and goodness.



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## **(I) NATURE OF GOD: HIS GREATNESS**

**A) THE GREATNESS OF GOD** - Psalm 8:1, 9; 83:18; 96:1-6; 145:1-3,5-6; 150:2

**B) HE IS INCOMPREHENSIBLE!** - Judges 13:17-18, 22; Isaiah 9:6; Psalm 145:3

1) It refers to what He **KNOWS** - Job 42:3; Psa. 139:1-6; Isaiah 28:29

2) It refers to what He **DOES** - Isa. 25:1; Romans 11:33

3) It refers to who He **IS** - Psalm 145:1-3

**C) HE IS INCORRUPTIBLE!**

1) Because His name is **HOLY** - Psalm 38:4; 97:12; 99:3, 5, 9; 111:9; 145:21

2) Because His name is **ETERNAL** - Psalm 72:17; 182:11-12; 135:13

**D) HE IS INCOMPARABLE!**

1) Because of His **POSITION** - Ephesians 1:19-23; Philippians 2:9-11; Hebrews 1:1-4

2) Because of His **POWER** - Psalm 66:1-4; 68:32-35

a) To answer prayer - John 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:23-26

b) To save people - John 1:12; Acts 4:12; I Peter 1:3-5

## **(II) THE NATURE OF GOD: HIS SOVEREIGNTY -**

**A) HIS POWERFUL CONTROL OF ALL THINGS**

Based on three things:

1) His **POSITION** - Psalm 97:1; 99:1-3; 163:19; 113:1-6; Daniel 4:17, 25, 34-35

2) His **POWER** - Isaiah 43:13; Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3

3) His **PLEASURE** - Psalm 115:3; 135:5-6; Proverbs 16:4 cf. Ezekiel 18:23, 32

**B) HIS PROVIDENTIAL CARE OF ALL THINGS**



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Involves four things:

- 1) **His WAYS** - Isaiah 55:8-9; Romans 11:33 cf. Genesis 58:19-21
- 2) **His WISDOM** - Daniel 2:20-23
- 3) **His WORK** - Philippians 1:6; 2:13 cf. Acts 15:18
- 4) **His WILL** - Ephesians 1:11

### **(III) THE NATURE OF GOD: HIS GOODNESS**

#### **(A) HIS POWER IS UNIQUE!**

(No one can do what God can do!) - Psalm 71:19; 77:13-14

- A) **Seen in His CREATION** - Isaiah 44:24; 45:5-7, 18
- B) **Seen in His CONTROL** of time and events - Isaiah 44:6-8; 46:5, 9-11
- C) **Seen in His CARE** of His people - Isaiah 43:1-13

#### **(B) HIS POWER IS UNLIMITED!**

(There is nothing too hard for Him to do!) - Psalm 145:1-6, 18-13

- A) **EMPHASIZED** in the miraculous birth of Isaac –Genesis 18:11-14
- B) **EXPLAINED** in God's answer to Job - Job 48:9, 15, 19; 41:1, 18; 42:1-6
- C) **EXERCISED** in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead - Ephesians 1:19-21
- D) **EXPERIENCED** in the life of the believer (in five ways)
  - 1) In the **SALVATION** we receive - Matthew 19:23-26
  - 2) In the **SUFFERINGS** we encounter - II Cor. 12:9-10
  - 3) In the **SUPPLY** of our needs that we face –Philippians 4: 11-13, 19
  - 4) In the **STRENGTH** we need in the inner man –Isaiah 40:28-31; Ephesians 3:14-21
  - 5) In the **SHARING** of the gospel - Acts 1:8; 4:31-33

