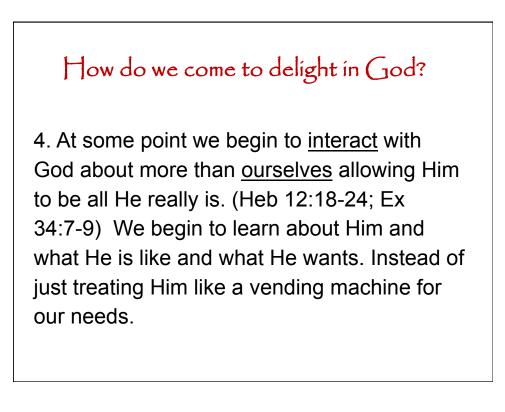


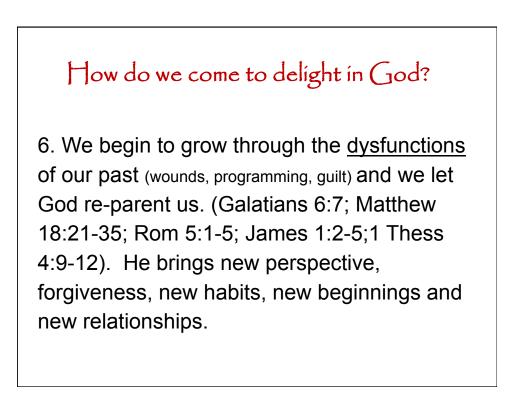


3. We begin to lower our <u>immaturity</u> toward God, listening to Him engage us about our <u>omissions, sins and iniquities.</u> (1 John 1:9; James 4:7-10)





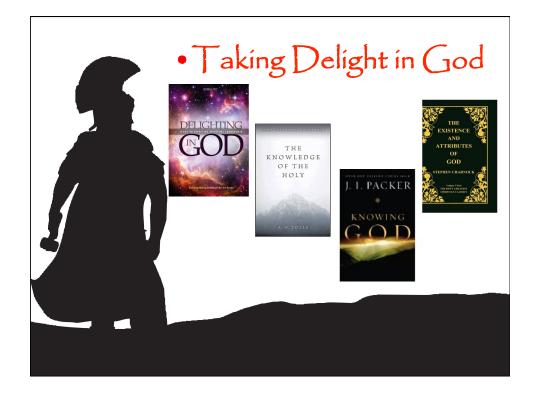
5. We increase His <u>control</u> over all areas of life (not just spirituality but self development, marriage, family, work, finances, friends, church, community and enemies) learning His way of living. (Matt 11:28-30; James 4:5; Matt 22:37-39)

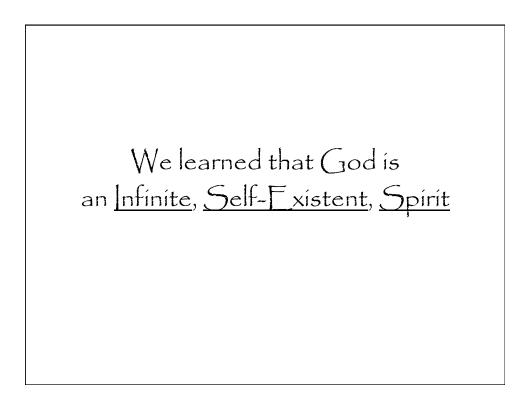


God can not be understood in the normal way that we would know people

He does not have height, weight, eyes, beginning, parents, job history, skills... He tells us that the way to understand Him is through 5 Aspects of His being

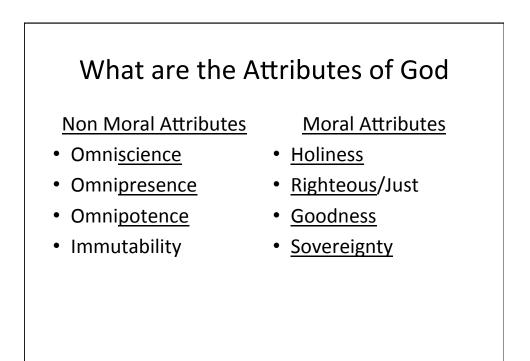






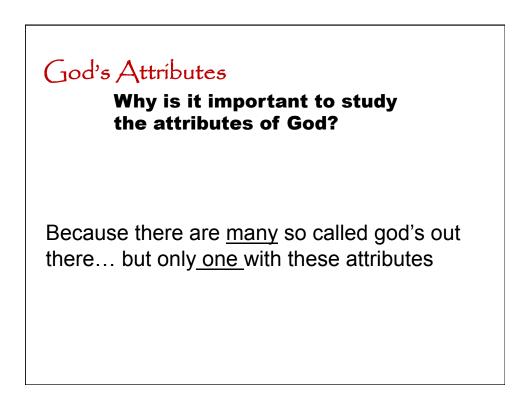
In what further way may we come to know and delight in God as an Infinite, Self-Existent Spirit

By studying His attributes or the way He <u>acts</u> and <u>moves</u>. Since God is invisible we can only know Him in action. This means that the greatest <u>working</u> knowledge of God comes from His revealed attributes. We can look for God in these actions and operations of the universe. Isa 40:18; Rom 1:20



What is an attribute of God?

An Attribute is a way that God consistently acts. God will respond in these ways. He will not respond in the <u>opposite</u> ways. It is not possible to completely <u>separate</u> one attribute from another... But in many instances one attribute out shines the others



Why is it important to study the attributes of God?

Because God encourages, edifies, directs, comforts and <u>communicates</u> with us about Himself and our life in general through His attributes. If you do not know the attributes then you will not completely <u>understand</u> what God is communicating.

In what ways does this Infinite Self-Existent Spirit act? He <u>knows</u> everything

He is Omniscient

What does it mean to say that God is Omniscient?

It means that God is all <u>knowing</u>: 1 Sam 2:3; Job 21:22

It means that God is all Wise: Rom 11:33; 16:27

God's Attributes

How can God's knowledge be comprehended, defined or understood?

His knowledge is <u>original</u> Gen 1:1; Job 38-39; Isa 40:13,14; Prov 25:2 His knowledge is <u>infallible</u>: Job 34:21-25; Isa 46:10; Prov 16:2; 21:2 His knowledge is <u>instantaneous</u> Psa 139:4; Psa 147:4,5

Objection: God goes <u>down</u> to see what is taking place at Babel Gen 11:5

How can God's knowledge be comprehended, defined or understood?

His knowledge is <u>retained</u>: Isa 49:15-16; Heb 6:10; Psa 50:21

Objection: doesn't God <u>forget</u> our sins Psa 103:12; Isa 43:25 His knowledge is <u>exhaustive</u>: Job 38; Ezekiel 11:5; Dan 2:20 He never <u>learns</u> anything: Psa 147:4,5

God's Attributes

How can God's knowledge be comprehended, defined or understood?

He knows every <u>possibility</u> of every possibility Matt 11:21 His knowledge is not bound by the constraints of <u>time</u> and <u>space</u> Rev 1:8; Dan 7:13 His knowledge is <u>true</u> knowledge Job 34:21-25

What does it mean to me that God is all knowing?

 The more true knowledge I learn the more I am like <u>God</u> Prov 25:2
 <u>Hypocrisy</u> and deceit are useless and unprofitable Ecc 12:14; 2 Cor 3:17,18
 God sees every <u>virtuous</u> act even those that are accomplished in secret. Matt 6:3,4,6,18

God's Attributes

What does it mean to me that God is all knowing?

4. God is aware of every virtuous plan you <u>conceive</u> Eze 11:5 Psa 7:9 Psa 139:2
5. God never <u>loses</u> track of where His servants are located physically, emotionally, mentally and spiritually. Matt 10:29,30 Pro 1:20-21
6. God is aware of every plan and plot of His <u>enemies</u> against Him or His servants. Psa 2:1-4; Josh 10:8,25

What does it mean to me that God is all knowing?

7. God has not made a mistake with your <u>unchangeable</u> features Psa 139:13-16; Ex 4:11
8. NO idea, technology, or discovery <u>surprises</u> God Ecc 1:9-10; Isa 42:9
9. I don't have to heap <u>guilt</u> or <u>blame</u> endlessly upon myself for not knowing something that would have changed a decision I made in the past: Prov 1:20-22 Col 1:25-27

God's Attributes

What does it mean to me that God is all knowing?

10. God knows my <u>future</u> and all my possible futures: Acts 9:15,16; 21:11; 27:9-31 Eph 2:10 11. He can empathize with our desire to move in a wrong direction because of our <u>limited</u> knowledge. Heb 4:14-16

12, His revealed knowledge is the only reliable guide in the dimensions beyond our <u>rational</u> categories: Lev 19:26,31; 1 Cor 8:4-6; 1 Cor 10:19-20

