

## Attributes of God (Omnipresent)

**Omnipresent**= Comes from the Latin word *omni* which means “all.” God is all present, God is everywhere at the same time, always in the fullness of His being. There is no place God is not.

- God is everywhere at all times!
- God is a Spirit (**John 4:24**) He is an infinite Spirit. He is not bound by finite time and space. Therefore, if He is not bound by spatial limitations, He is omnipresent.
- He is not contained by space yet fills every part of it fully.
- He is infinite, but intimate
- There is not a place where “more of God” is found. His fullness is everywhere.
- God being everywhere does not mean He loses some of Himself in each place.
- Ubiquity= equal wholeness
- He has the right for us to feel His presence differently at different times. *Examples of this include:* Moses and the burning Bush, Mount of Transfiguration, *Sheep versus goats*
- Nothing more present than God, but nothing more hidden. We believe by faith. We haven’t seen Him, but we love Him (**1 Peter 1:8**).
- The believer is comforted by the thought of His omnipresence and the unbeliever is not.

English Puritan Stephen Charnock states “Heaven is the court of His presence, but not the imprisonment of his essence.”

R.C Sproul states “I don’t always feel His presence. But God’s promises do not depend on my feelings, but His integrity.”

### Biblical Texts

(**Psalm 139: 7-16**) (*humans’ natural tendency is to hide, i.e Adam and Eve* (**Gen 3:8**))

(**Jeremiah 23:23-24**) “Am I a God who is near,” declares the LORD, “And not a God far off? <sup>24</sup> Can a person hide himself in hiding places So that I do not see him?” declares the LORD. “Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?” declares the LORD.

(**1 Kings 8:27**) But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain You, how much less this house which I have built!

(**Isaiah 57:15**) For this is what the high and exalted One Who lives forever, whose name is Holy, says: “I dwell *in* a high and holy place, And *also* with the contrite and lowly of spirit In order to revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the contrite.

(**Isaiah 66:1**) Thus says the Lord, “Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that <sup>1</sup>I may rest?”

(**Acts 17:24**) The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands;

(**Heb 4:13**) And there is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him to whom we must answer.

God is everywhere at all times, in the total fullness of His being, No one can hide. There is comfort to the believer, but a nightmare for the unbeliever.

- In hell, those in hell will be there in the presence of the Lamb and the with the holy angels (**Rev 14:9-11**)
- In Heaven God will be our God and He will dwell with us (**Rev 21: 1-4**)(**Revelation 22:1-5**).

He is always with believers. He is with us in the good, the bad, the hard, the lonely, the mundane, etc. He will never leave us or forsake us! There is great comfort to the believer in regard to God being omnipresent. There has never been a time when you have ever been alone. When your life is going great, God is there. When you cry yourself to sleep and wonder if anyone cares, God is there. When you are walking through the loneliest times in your life, God is there. When your faith is being put through the crucible, God is there. When your heart is breaking, God is there. When you “friends” walk away, God is there. When you don’t know how or what to pray, God is there. When you have stumbled and fallen, God is there. When you walk through the valley of the shadow of death, God is there. If you were to travel to the most remote distance galaxies, God is there. When you are on your deathbed, God is there. When you take your last breath, God is there. All through eternity, God is there, and we will be in His presence forever!