

Attributes of God (Omnipresence—Part 4)

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Omni meaning “all” and presence meaning “present.”

God is all-present, with His whole being at all times (indivisible). He is above both space and time, and qualities of objects. His nature has no need of either heaven or of earth, He fills them both with His presence and His power.

Ephesians 3:14-19

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, 16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

There is a distinction between the **omnipresence of God** and the **manifest presence of God** we experience. Manifest (Greek, *phaneroo*) is to make apparent.

Ways to experience and enjoy the presence of God:

- **Faith**

Hebrews 11:1-3, 6 Cf. Luke 18:8; 2 Corinthians 5:7

God gives us faith, but what we do with it is on us. Sow into your faith.

- **Awareness**

Proverbs 3:6 *In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.*

Cf. Genesis 28:16

- **Love and Obey**

John 14:15-17, 21

15 “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

21 Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

Obeying God is just an overflow of our faith and awareness of who God is and what God has done.

1 John 5:3-4

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.

2 John 1:6 *And this is love, that we walk according to his commandments; this is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning, so that you should walk in it.*

Matthew 22:36-38

36 “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” 37 And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment.

He’s more present than you think.

Discipleship Homework:

Pray what Paul shares in **Ephesians 3:14-19** every day this week.

Practice God’s presence in your life this week.

- When is the last time you picked up your Bible to read?
Spend time reading or listening to the God’s Word and be sure to ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate His truth in you. Example: Don’t make it a chore, read until you lose concentration. It’s ok to stop and go as needed.
- What time each day could you give to the Lord to think on who He is and what He’s done?
Don’t stress about making it a long time, you can find a way to incorporate it your regular schedule. Example: Riding to work/school, before you go to bed, while you fold laundry, etc.
- Do you love God? Do you know how He feels about you?
Reflect on 1 John 4:7-21 to better understand why or why not we love Him.