

F. Unlimited by Time & Space

a. 1 Tim 1:17

b. 2 Chron 2:6a

“God alone exists in the universe without limitations.”

G. Unity – God is One – Deut 6:4

So, this Being,

this unchanging and unchangeable Spirit Person

who is unlimited by time and space and

Who is the perfect expression of Life – Who IS Life

Has exercised His Will and power to create,

Has allowed His creation to choose against Him...

...and has provided a way for His creation to be reconciled to Him... to Know Him – to have a relationship with Him.

He alone is God and He alone is worthy of our worship and adoration.

Don't you want to know Him better?

What act of your will must be taken?

What preconceived ideas must you give up to know Him more accurately?

What faith must you exercise to believe that which you do not – and cannot – understand?

## Spiritual Maturity: Knowing God – Part 2

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**Without God's initiative we both wouldn't and couldn't come to a knowledge of Him...**

1. General Revelation

a. Rom 1:18-20

b. Rom 2:14,15

2. Special Revelation - ... “is the self-revelation of God through the Scriptures and finalized in Jesus Christ and relates to God's plan of salvation for man.”

1 Corinthians 2:14-15

a. Visions            Isaiah 6

b. Dreams            Daniel 2

c. Poetry            Psalm 119

d. Biography        Gospels

e. Sermons          Matt 5-7

f. Miracles          John 6

g. Parables          Luke 15

h. Angels            Luke 1:26-38

i. JESUS CHRIST    John 1: 14

Jesus Christ is the ultimate revelation of God  
Colossians 2:9

John 14:7

Can we know God fully? \_\_\_\_\_

1. Limited capacity
2. Limited vocabulary
3. Limited revelation

Deut 29:29

God is... a Being – “a substantive entity, an eternal person who exists in Spirit with certain absolute attributes.” God is NOT an idea, or concept, or philosophy...

A. Spirit

John 4:24

- a. Immaterial
- b. Incorporeal (Luke 24:39)
- c. Invisible (Deut 4:15)

B. Person

- a. Self-awareness and self-determination (Ex 3:13-14)
- b. Intellect
  - i. to know
  - ii. wisdom (Col 2:3)
  - iii. remembrance (Gen 8:1)
- c. Emotion
  - i. The capacity of feeling and the display of feelings

ii. God’s feelings are pure and perfect

1. Grief (Gen 6:6)
2. Love (John 3:16)
3. Compassion (Psalm 103:8-13)
4. Sorrow (John 11:35)
5. Anger (Psalm 7:11)

d. Volition/Will

Rational decisions that give self-direction

C. God is Life

John 5:26

D. Self-Existent

- a. I am – (Ex 3:13-15) “He who always exists”
- b. Perfect existence
  - i. Eternal
  - ii. Unchanging

E. Immutable – No Change

- a. Psalm 90:2 ... *from eternity to eternity, You are God.*
- b. No change in:
  - i. Duration & life - Ps 9:7
  - ii. Nature - Ps 104:31; Mal 3:6
  - iii. Will - Job 23:13; Ps 33:11
  - iv. Character (justice, mercy, truth, holiness, knowledge)  
Rom 2:2; Ex 34:7; Ps 107:1; Lam 3:22-23; Rom 11:29; Job 34:10; Is 40:28