KNOWING GOD

LESSON 9

Title: God Omnipresent

Text: Psalm 139:7-12

1. **Review**:
   1. God has the power to carry out His will, whatever His will is.
   2. God will never will anything that is not consistent with Himself.
   3. God can do anything as easily as anything else and His power never needs replenished because it’s infinite.
2. **Introduction**:
   1. To know God is to know His presence. To have knowledge that God is everywhere is a tremendous thing in itself, but to know His presence experientially is even greater. I don’t like to use the word “feel” a lot, but to feel His presence and to know communion with God are far greater than just looking theologically at the fact that God is present everywhere.
   2. The omnipresence of God means He is not limited by time and space. He is present everywhere.
3. **The importance of understanding His omnipresence**.
   1. The life of David shows examples of God’s omnipresence.
      1. When David was in trouble as a young shepherd facing wild beasts, God was there.
      2. As David stood before the giant, Goliath, God was there.
      3. When David was persecuted and fleeing from Saul––hiding in caves and sometimes alone––God was there.
      4. And, when David he sinned with Bathsheba, God was there.
   2. There is no situation, darkness, depth, distance, or deceit that can hide a person from the presence of Almighty God.
4. **Other attributes of God depend on His omnipresence**.
   1. Omniscience: The fact that He knows all can be accounted for by the fact that He is everywhere and always everywhere present.
   2. Omnipotence: God’s ability to do anything He will depends on His ability to be everywhere present.
5. **What about God’s dwelling place in heaven?**
   1. Jesus taught us to pray, “…our father which art in heaven.”
   2. The Lord looked from the place of His habitation: heaven (Psalm 33:13-14).
   3. The heaven is His throne and the earth is His footstool (Isaiah 66:1).
   4. So, is God in heaven or is He everywhere? Yes!
   5. Jesus ascended to the right hand of the Father, so He is there.
   6. “Do not I fill heaven and earth? Saith the Lord.” (Jeremiah 23:24)
   7. “…I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit.” (Isaiah 57:15)
   8. Again, nothing can contain God.
   9. The fact that He dwells in heaven no doubt means the His most special and glorious manifestations are in heaven, not earth.
6. **What does God’s omnipresence mean to the believer?**
   1. God’s presence is constant, near, and concentrated (Psalm: 139:13-17).
   2. God is personal (Matthew 18:20).
   3. God’s omnipresence means comfort, confidence, and assurance through any burden or trial (Hebrews 13:5).
7. **Conclusion**: Psalm 33:8: “…let all the inhabitants of the earth stand in awe of Him.”