

Ever-present God

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Omnipresence

Omni - all - ability to be everywhere at the same time.

Seeker, skeptic, guilty sinner, those hurt or feel abandoned

- where is God

The Lord our God is everywhere at once

All of God is everywhere at once - not a thin layer

Mum and dad, principles and teachers, police - they don't have it but we think they do

Psalm 139:7-12 where can I go from your presence?

3 characteristics to help us understand this:

1. God can't be Contained

V7 where can I go from your presence etc

God isn't exclusive to any one area

God doesn't live in a building, country, city - he is everywhere all the time. Everyone can say - God is here.

He is a global God - he doesn't go for anyone country

We can put out God in a box - if we do we limit the effect that he has in our life - And we miss out

2. Like it or not - God is there!

V11 dark and light - we think we can hide from god cause we are in the dark but he is in the light

We think the if we can't see God - God can't see us

God does see

3. God is available 24/7

24 hours a day 7 days a week His presence and his power is available

Two ways Gods presence can affect us:

- God's presence brings conviction

Jonah and running from God, doesn't work, ends up inside a whale and experiences Gods presence and changes and does what God wanted him to do

The beginning of the year word - Deeper.

Stop running and cleaning out our well

There is no way that you can escape Gods presence

V9-10 David couldn't escape his conviction

He wants all of our attention cause he loves us so much for us to stay the way we are and keep doing the things we keep doing

A) God's presence brings comfort

Psalm 23 though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for you are with me

B) God is always there

Heb 13:5 never will I leave you, never will I forsake you

C) God is close during tough times

Psalm 34:18 The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

D) God comes even closer when we get close to him

James 4:8 come near to God and he will come near to you



Young boy, in high school football team, never actually played a game cause we he was- n't any good, then gets into college football he gets on the team - train player - but never got to actually play the game. His dad came every game and cheered the team on even though he never played. His dad died just prior to the last game of his college. On the last game of the season - the team was losing and the young guy turned up and wanted to play, the coach finally let him play, he played amazing and he won the game. The young guy told his coach - His dad was blind and would still come to every game, but today is the first day that he can actually see him play. And I had to show him I could do it.

God is at everyone of our games and he is not blind and he is our biggest fan and cheers the loudest for you.