

# God's 3 Comforting Attributes

*Below are three of God's attributes that are of great comfort to us when we are distressed and grieved by various trials (1 Peter 1:6). Remember to bring them to mind whenever you are going through severe difficulties.*

## 1. God is Omnipotent

God is omnipotent. He is all-powerful. He is the Lord God Almighty (Rev. 4:8). Nothing is too hard for Him! Three times in the scriptures, God brings the question before us: "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" God made the heaven and the earth and is there anything too hard for Him? He spoke and brought the world into existence. God is bigger than our trials and He is the Sovereign God of the universe. He has everything under His control. God can just speak and change our circumstances. Remember what Oswald Chambers said: "We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties."

*"And the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I surely bear a child, since I am old?' **Is anything too hard for the Lord?** At the appointed time I will return to you, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.'" (Gen. 18:13-14)*

*"Ah, Lord God! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. **There is nothing too hard for You.**" (Jer. 32:17)*

*"Behold, I am the Lord, the God of all flesh. **Is there anything too hard for Me?**" (Jer. 32:27)*

## 2. God is Omniscient

God is omniscient. He is the all-knowing God. He has absolute perfect knowledge. You might think that no one understands what you are going through but there is someone who understands and knows – and that person is the Lord Jesus who is "God manifested in the flesh" (1 Tim. 3:16). Like the old hymn says: "No one understands like Jesus, He's a friend beyond compare; Meet him at the throne of mercy, He is waiting for you there."

The bible says that "we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need" (Heb. 4:15-16).

*"O Lord, You have searched me and known me. You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O Lord, You know it altogether." (Psalm 139:1-4)*

*"I will be glad and rejoice in Your mercy, For You have considered my trouble; You have known my soul in adversities." (Psalm 31:7)*

### **3. God is Omnipresent**

God is omnipresent. He is present everywhere. You might think God is up in Heaven and He doesn't see or care about what is going on in your life. Well you are wrong! God sees and cares. The bible says: "When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit [give attention to or care for] him?" (Psalm 8:3-4). The bible says that His eye is on the sparrow and surely He watches you and me (Matt. 10:29-31; Luke 12:6-7). He was "The-God-Who-Sees" to Hagar when she in distress in the wilderness (Gen. 16:13) and He was "The-God-Who-Remembers" to Hannah when He saw and remembered her affliction and opened her womb (1 Sam. 1).

*"Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall fall on me," Even the night shall be light about me; Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You. For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them. How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You." (Psalm 139:7-18)*

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