

# FOUNDATIONS

## LESSON 5: THE INCOMMUNICABLE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Isaiah 40:25-26

<sup>25</sup> To whom then will you compare me,  
that I should be like him? says the Holy One.

<sup>26</sup> Lift up your eyes on high and see:  
who created these?

He who brings out their host by number,  
calling them all by name,  
by the greatness of his might,  
and because he is strong in power  
not one is missing.

### I. Introducing God's Attributes

#### A. What do we mean by "Incommunicable?"

"We believe that there is only one living and true God. He is the **eternal, infinite** Creator and supreme Ruler of heaven and earth. He is **merciful, just, and loving** and governs all things according to His **sovereign** will for His glory. He alone is inexpressibly **glorious** in **holiness**, and is worthy of all honor, confidence, obedience and love."<sup>3</sup>

### II. The Incommunicable Attributes: The God-ness of God

Self-existent – He does not derive from or depend on anything outside Himself

Self-sufficient – He lacks nothing within himself

Eternal – He is outside of and the creator of time

Infinite – He is not subject to any limitations

Omnipresent – He is present everywhere at all times

Immutable – He never changes

Simple – He exists in undivided coherence

### III. God is... Infinite

Job 11:7-9

#### A. All that He is, is infinite

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<sup>3</sup> Del Ray Baptist Church – Statement of Faith 2012

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B. The Transcendence of God

### **IV. God is... Omnipresent**

Psalm 139:7-12

A. Exodus 33 and the special presence of God

“God is not present in the *same sense* to all people or in all places.”

B. Comforting and Sobering

### **V. God is... Immutable**

Malachi 3:6

A. Does God “repent”?

1. 1 Samuel 15:10-11, 28-29

2. Anthropomorphism