

# The Essentials of God, the Father

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## The Person of God

▶Biblical Definition of God:

God is a personal, living spirit who is self existent, distinguished from all other spirits by his attributes.

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## The Person of God

▶God is spirit – John 4:24

▶God is self existent – Acts 17:24-28a; Ex 3:13-14; Rev 1:8, 4:8

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## The Person of God

- ▶ God has personality or personhood
- ▶ 3 elements of personality:
  1. Will – Eph 1:1
  2. Intellect – 1 John 3:20b
  3. Emotion – Gen 6:6

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## The Person of God

- ▶ Because God has personality, He desires a personal relationship with us.
  1. Through Scripture – Ps 32:8; 1 Sam 3:21
  2. Through His Holy Spirit – Rom 8:15,16; Jn 14:26
  3. Through providence – Matt 6:25-34; 1 Pet 5:7
  4. Through creation – Rom 1:18-20

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## The Attributes of God

- ▶ Omniscient – all knowing - 1 Jn 3:20
- ▶ Omnipresent – all present – Ps 139:7-12
- ▶ Omnipotent – all powerful – Matt 19:26
- ▶ Love – 1 Jn 4:8
- ▶ Light – 1 Jn 1:5-6
- ▶ Consuming Fire – Heb 12:29

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## The Foundational Attribute of God

- ▶ Question: What underlies all else in the character of God?

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## The Foundational Attribute of God

- ▶ Answer: The Holiness of God
- ▶ God is Holy:
  - ▶ Isa 6:3
  - ▶ Ps 19:7
  - ▶ 1 Pet 1:16
  - ▶ Rev 4:8

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## The Foundational Attribute of God

- ▶ Definition of Holiness:
  - ▶ Holiness is perfection or "wholly other-ness"
  - ▶ Without fault, blemish, stain, or any defection at all
  - ▶ Without degree

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## The Foundational Attribute of God

- ▶ Holiness underlies all else because if God had any blemish or non-perfection at all, then all of the rest of His characteristics could be questioned or brought into doubt.

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