



GOD

Nature &
perfections

NATURE & PERFECTIONS

1. Introduction

2. Importance

3. Issues

4. Essential Nature



ESSENTIAL

NATURE

1. He is Trinitarian - Jn 1:33-34



“The Trinity is the point at which all Christian ideas and interests unite; at once the beginning and the end of all insight into Christianity.”

Meyer

TRINITY

- **Central Doctrine of Scripture**
- **Distinguishes Christianity**
- **Test of Orthodoxy**
- **Proper View of God**

ESSENTIAL

NATURE

1. He is Trinitarian - Jn 1:33-34

2. He is Spirit -

Incorporeal - Jn 4:24

Invisible - Jn 1:18, 6:46

Infinite Spirit

“... exists as a being that is not made of any matter, has no parts, or dimensions, is unable to be perceived by our bodily senses, and is more excellent than any other kind of existence.”

Grudem

ESSENTIAL

NATURE

1. He is Trinitarian - Jn 1:33-34

2. He is Spirit - 4:24

3. He is Simple - 10:30

4. He is Living - 5:26

5. He is Personal - 14:9

PERSONAL

- **Self-consciousness**
- **Self-determinations**
- **Personal Qualities**
- **Can be Known**
- **Personal Terms**
- **Highest revelation - Jesus**

“ ... it is ... of the utmost importance to maintain the personality of God, for without it there can be no religion in the real sense of the word: no prayer, no personal communion, no trustful reliance and no confident hope.”

Berkhof

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5. Glory of God



GLORY OF GOD

1. Aspects of Glory

a. Inherent Glory

b. Revealed Glory

Deut 5:24 “And you said, ‘Behold, the Lord our God has shown us His glory and His greatness, and we have heard His voice from the midst of the fire; we have seen today that God speaks with man, yet he lives.

GLORY OF GOD

1. Aspects of Glory

a. Inherent Glory

b. Revealed Glory

c. Ascribed Glory

GLORY OF GOD

- 1. Aspects of Glory**
- 2. Glory & Attributes**

Ex 33:18 Then Moses said, “I pray You, show me **Your glory!**” 19 And He said, “I Myself will make all My **goodness** pass before you, and will proclaim the name of the LORD before you; and I will be **gracious** to whom I will be **gracious**, and will show **compassion** on whom I will show **compassion.**” ... 22 and it will come about, while **My glory is passing by**, that I will put you in the cleft of the rock and cover you with My hand until I have passed by.

GLORY OF GOD

- 1. Aspects of Glory**
- 2. Glory & Attributes**
- 3. His Possession**
- 4. His Names**
- 5. His Titles**

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6. Perfections



PERFECTIONS

A. Introduction

1. Descriptions



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DESCRIPTION

- 1. Cannot define God**
- 2. Westminster Catechism**
- 3. Belgian Confession**
- 4. Perfections**
- 5. All Attributes are perfect**
- 6. More than sum of Perfections**
- 7. Known only by Revelation**
- 8. Describes Father, Son, & HS**
- 9. Summed up by His Glory**

PERFECTIONS

A. Introduction

1. Descriptions

2. Classification

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CLASSIFICATIONS

- 1. Natural & Moral**
- 2. Absolute & Relative**
- 3. Negative & Positive**
- 4. Active & Passive**
- 5. Incommunicable &
Communicable**

PERFECTIONS

A. Introduction

B. Incommunicable Perfections



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INCOMMUNICABLE

1. Self-Existence
2. Omnipresence
3. Immutability
4. Eternity
5. Infinitude



PERFECTIONS



A. Introduction

B. Incommunicable Perfections

C. Communicable Perfections

COMMUNICABLE

➤ Omniscience

➤ Omnipotence

➤ Holiness

➤ Justice

➤ Wrath

➤ Grace

➤ Goodness

➤ Sovereignty

➤ Truth

➤ Love

Neptune



APPLICATION

- 1. For eternal life**
- 2. For spiritual growth**
- 3. For worldview**
- 4. For worship**