

THEOLOGY PROPER



GLORY OF GOD

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PERFECTIONS



A. Introduction

B. Incommunicable Perfections

C. Communicable Perfections

1. Omniscience

2. Omnipotence

3. Holiness

4. Justice

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GOD'S

SOVEREIGNTY

DISTORTIONS

- 1. World out of control**
- 2. God trying His best**
- 3. Man determines his destiny**
- 4. Deist view**
- 5. Dualist view**
- 6. Human responsibility**
- 7. Fatalism**

WITHOUT IT

- ✓ **No security in universe**
- ✓ **No natural science**
- ✓ **No emotional stability**
- ✓ **No spiritual absolutes**
- ✓ **No basis for any authority**

GOD is ...

Andromeda

**Supreme
authority in
universe**

**“God is supreme ruler with
supreme and absolute authority,
yields to no other power or
authority”**

C. Ryrie

“God is absolute and sole ruler in the universe and is in complete control.”

R Lightner

**Job 42:2 “I know that Thou
canst do all things, And that
no **purpose** of Thine can be
thwarted.**

**Prov 16:4 The Lord has made
everything for its own
purpose, Even the wicked for
the day of evil.**

PERVASIVE

- Genesis
- Exodus
- Joshua
- Daniel
- Acts
- Revelation



Jupiter &
Ganymede

SCOPE

1. Universal



**Ps 103:19 The Lord has established
His **throne** in the heavens; And
His **sovereignty** rules over all.**

Ps 47:7 For God is the **King of all
the earth; Sing praises with a
skillful psalm.**

Isa 46:10-11 Declaring the end from the beginning And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure'; ... Truly I have spoken; truly I will bring it to pass. I have planned it, surely I will do it.

AREAS

1. Angels
 - a. Satan



Job 1:6-12, 2:1-6

**Lk 22:31 “Simon, Simon, behold,
Satan has demanded permission
to sift you like wheat;**

AREAS

1. Angels

a. Satan

b. Demons



**1Sam 16:14 Now the Spirit of
the LORD departed from Saul,
and an evil spirit from
the LORD terrorized him.**

AREAS

1. Angels

a. Satan

b. Demons

c. Good Angels



Mt 24:31 “And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

AREAS

A photograph of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip in their coronation regalia, seated on ornate golden thrones. The Queen is on the left, wearing a white gown and a crown. Prince Philip is on the right, wearing a dark military-style uniform with many medals and a sword. The background is a richly decorated interior with gold and red tones.

1. Angels

2. Physical Nature

a. Inanimate

Ps 135:5-7 For I know that the Lord is great, And that our Lord is above all gods. 6 Whatever the Lord pleases, He does, In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps. 7 He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; Who makes lightnings for the rain; Who brings forth the wind from His treasuries.

**Mt 8:27 And the men marveled,
saying, “What kind of a man is
this, that even the winds and
the sea obey Him?”**

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1. Angels

2. Physical Nature

a. Inanimate

b. Animals

Ps 104:21 The young **lions** roar
after their prey And seek their
food **from God.**

Ps 104:25-27 There is the sea, great
and broad, In which are **swarms**
without number, **Animals** both
small and great. ... **27** They all
wait for **You** To give them their
food in due season.

Mt 6:26 “Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?”

AREAS

1. Angels
2. Physical Nature
3. History
 - a. Nations



**Ps 22:28 For the kingdom is the
Lord's, And He rules over the
nations.**

**2Chr 20:6 and he said, "O LORD, the
God of our fathers, are You not
God in the heavens? And are You
not ruler over all the kingdoms of
the nations? Power and might are
in Your hand so that no one can
stand against You.**

AREAS

A photograph of Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip on their wedding day, seated on ornate golden thrones. The Queen is on the left, wearing a white gown and a crown. Prince Philip is on the right, wearing a dark military-style uniform with many medals. The background is a richly decorated interior with gold and red tones.

1. Angels
2. Physical Nature
3. History
 - a. Nations
 - b. Rulers

Dan 4:35 “All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But He does according to **His will** in the host of heaven And **among the inhabitants of earth**; And no one can ward off His hand Or say to Him, ‘What have You done?’

Rom 13:1-4

AREAS

1. Angels
2. Physical Nature
3. History
4. Individuals
 - a. General



Prov 16:9 The mind of man plans
his way, But the Lord **directs**
his steps.

Ps 75:6-7 For not from the east, nor
from the west, Nor from the
desert comes exaltation; But God
is the Judge; He **puts down** one,
and exalts another.

AREAS

1. Angels
2. Physical Nature
3. History
4. Individuals
 - a. General
 - b. Unbelievers



Isa 14:27 “For the Lord of hosts has planned, and who can frustrate it? And as for His stretched-out hand, who can turn it back?”

Act 2:23 this Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put Him to death.

AREAS

1. Angels
2. Physical Nature
3. History
4. Individuals
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 - b. Unbelievers
 - c. Believers



**Phil 2:13 for it is God who is at
work in you, both to will and to
work for His good pleasure.**

**Rom 8:28 And we know that God
causes all things to work together
for good to those who love God, to
those who are called according to
His purpose.**

SCOPE

1. Universal
 2. Absolute
 3. Immutable
 4. With other Perfections
 5. Basis of Decrees & Covenants
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IMPLICATIONS

- **Can trust Him in all**
- **Motivates obedience**
- **Key to contentment**
- **Source of stability**

**Is your
greatest
problem
beyond our
sovereign
Lord?**



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7. Truth

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GOD'S

TRUTH



WORLD'S VIEW

1. Culture - science
relative truth
post-modern
2. Politics -
 - Truth hidden because of fear
 - Truth that is leaked
 - Truth that must be saved for the right moment

“It is much easier to recognize error from truth, for error lies on the surface and may be overcome, but truth lies in the depths and to search for it is not given to everyone.”

Goethe

“... agreement to that which is represented and includes the ideas of veracity, faithfulness, and consistency.”

C. Ryrie

“God is truth. His knowledge, declarations, and representations eternally conform to reality. The truth of God is not only the foundation of all religion, but also of all knowledge. God is true in that He is genuine God as well as truthful God. He is the source of all truth.”

Thiessen

DESCRIPTION

➤ God is in most comprehensive sense consistent with Himself

Ryrie

➤ Stability, reliability, firmness, trustworthiness

Packer

GOD is ...

Andromeda

**Ultimate Reality
Absolute Truth**

Ex 34:6 Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, “The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and **truth**;

Jn 3:33 “He who has received His witness has set his seal to this, that **God is true.**

Jn 14:6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the **truth**, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.

Rev 3:7 “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: He who is holy, who is **true**, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, ...

ABSOLUTE TRUTH

1. Father - “God is true”
2. Son - “I am ... truth”

**1Jn 5:7 And it is the Spirit who
bears witness, because the
Spirit is the truth.**

Jn 14:17 “... Spirit of Truth”

Ps 119:160 The sum of **Thy word is truth**, and every one of Thy righteous ordinances is everlasting.

Jn 17:17 “Sanctify them in the **truth**; Thy word is **truth**.”

ABSOLUTE TRUTH

1. Father - “God is true”
2. Son - “I am ... truth”
3. HS - “Spirit of truth”
4. His Word - “... word is truth”
5. Gospel - “... truth of the
gospel”

TRUTH

1. His Nature
2. His Word
3. His Commands
4. His Promises
5. His Threats

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8. Grace