

Faith Formation – Week One
The Doctrine Of God: His Work Of Creation And His Attributes

Creation:

God created the universe, and everything in it, out of nothing:

Genesis 1:1; Revelation 10:6; Hebrews 11:3

God created the heavens and earth simply by speaking:

Genesis 1:3,6,9,11,14,20,24,26; Psalm 33:9; Hebrews 11:3

Creation is still dependent on God for it's existence:

Col. 1:17; Revelation 4:11

Since God is the creator, everything that exists is under His authority:

Isaiah 37:16: What two truths are linked together in this verse?

Isaiah 48:13; Psalm 135:6; Psalm 33:9-11

Being the creator is what makes Him the one true God.

Not being the creator is what makes false gods false:

Psalm 96:4-5; Jeremiah 10:11; Jeremiah 1:16

Incommunicable Attributes: Attributes of God that He doesn't have in common with us.

God is Eternal: God created time, and therefore exists apart from it's limits. His eternity extends backward to infinity and forward to infinity.

Psalm 90:2

God is Omnipresent: God created space, and therefore exists apart from it's limits.

Psalm 139:7-8

God is Omnipotent: God is all powerful, able to do all that he wills.

Jeremiah 32:17

God is Immutable: God is unchanging and unchangeable.

Psalm 102:25-27

God is Sovereign: God is exercising unhindered reign over the universe.

Isaiah 46:9-10

God is Self-Existent: God does not need us or the rest of creation for anything.
Acts 17:24-25

God is All-Knowing: God is all knowing of all things, possible or actual – past, present and future.
Psalm 139:1-4

Communicable Attributes: Attributes of God that He shares with us to some degree.

God is Holy: God is morally perfect. He is exalted above and set apart from His creation.
Revelation 4:8

God is Just: God is entirely correct and upright with all of his dealings with humanity.
Deuteronomy 32:4

God is Wrathful: God, in His holiness and justice, hates and punishes sin.
Deuteronomy 29:24-28

God is Gracious: God displays unmerited favor to those who are under condemnation.
Romans 5:15

God is Love: God eternally gives of Himself to others
1 John 4:10

God is Faithful: God is absolutely trustworthy.
Numbers 23:19

Application

God is worthy of our worship!

We should have no other Gods before him.

We should recognize that He is in control!