

# God's Communicable Attributes

- **God is a Spirit** — We see this in John 4:24. Jesus says that God is a spirit and those who worship must worship Him in spirit and truth.
- **God is Invisible** — We know that no one has ever seen God's face. This would not be possible, seeing that He is holy and we are sinful. Some passages that demonstrate this are John 1:18, John 6:46, Exodus 33:20. However, in Exodus 33:11 we read that God spoke to Moses as His friend, yet Moses did not see His face. God also appeared in different forms in the Old Testament. These are known as "Theophanies." In Genesis 18, He appears to Abraham in the form of three men. To Jacob in Genesis 32. In Exodus, He was the pillar of cloud and fire for the Israelites. Isaiah saw Him high and lifted up in Isaiah 6:1.
- **God is Omniscient (all knowing)** — He knows everything. There is no limit to His knowledge.  
*Job 37:16, I John 3:20, Hebrews 4:13, Isaiah 46:9-10, Matthew 6:8, 10:30 et al.*
- **God is Good** — He is the standard of good and all that He does is good.  
*Luke 18:19, Psalm 100:5, Psalm 106:1, 107:1, Psalm 34:8*
- **God is Love** — I John 4:8. God's love is unconditional and unmerited. He freely gives it to us without strings attached. We are encouraged to love unconditionally just as God does. Husbands are to "love their wives as Christ loved the Church." We are to "love our neighbors as ourselves."
- **God is Merciful, Patient and Gives Grace** — His mercy is seen as His goodness towards those in misery. His patience is that He shows goodness in withholding punishment although we deserve it. And His grace is his goodness towards us although we deserve punishment.  
*Exodus 34:6, II Samuel 24:14, I Peter 5:10, II Corinthians 1:3*
- **God is Holy** — He is completely separated from sin. He is pure and undefiled.  
*Psalm 71:22, 99:3, 99:9; Isaiah 1:4, 5:19; Hebrews 12:10, 12:14 (and many more)*
- **God is Peace** — God is not a God of confusion but of peace.  
*I Corinthians 14:33, John 14:27, Romans 8:6, 15:33, 16:20*
- **God is Righteous and Just** — He always acts in accordance with what is right. He is the standard for all goodness and righteousness. He is also the judge of the world.  
*Deuteronomy 32:4, Genesis 18:25, Romans 9:20-21*