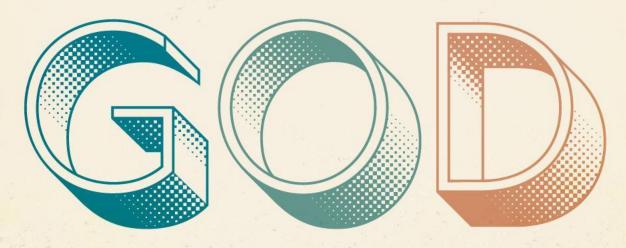
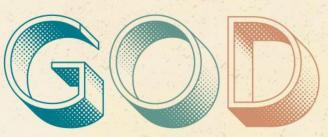


"It is true that in terms of space, time and culture, they and the historical epoch to which they belonged are a very long way away from us. But the link between them and us is not found at that level. The link is God **himself**. For the <u>same God</u> they had to do with is the same God with whom we have to do. We could sharpen the point by saying the exactly same God; for God does not change in the least particular."

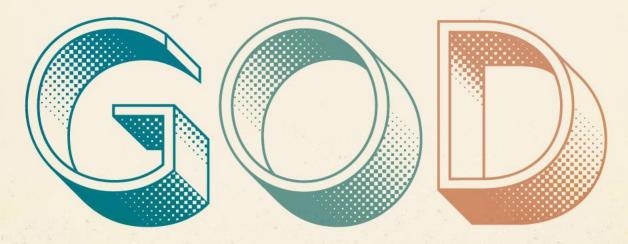


### Unchangeableness and Activity



God's being, attributes and eternal plan and purposes are immutable, unchangeable; yet, God actively interacts with his creation, responds to his creatures, and feels emotion.

- Wayne Grudem (Systematic Theology Pg.192)



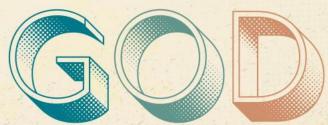
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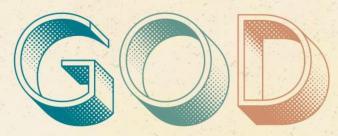
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Zondervan Pictorial Bible Dictionary

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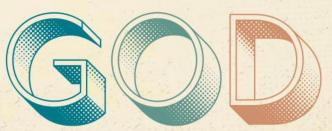


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• <u>Plans</u>- Ps. 33:22 "The Counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.

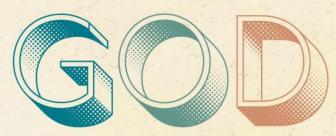
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 Purposes- Isa. 46:9-11 "I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying. 'My counsel shall stand, and <u>I will</u> accomplish all my purpose.'

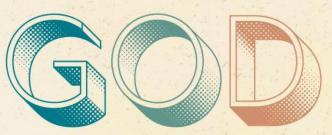


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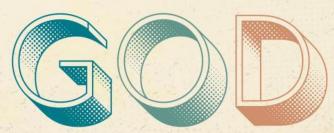


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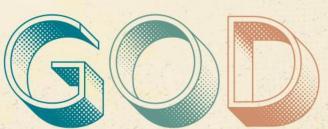
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- God dwells among us (Jn. 1:14)

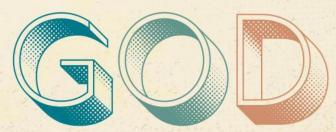


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- God answers prayer (Ps. 91:15, Matt 7:7)
- God fights for his people (Deut. 20:4)
- God dwells with the contrite and lowly in spirit (Isa. 57:15)

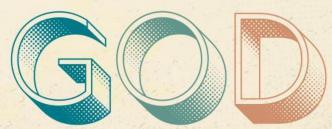
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- God rejoices. (Isa. 62:5)
- God is grieved (Ps. 78:40)
- God's wrath burns against his enemies (Ex. 32:10)
- He loves with an everlasting love. (Isa. 54:8)





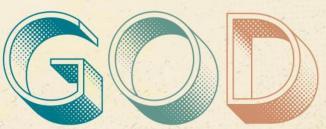
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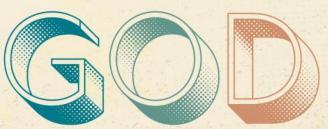
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