

Since my weekly email goes out on Tuesdays, this devotion begins on Tuesdays and ends on Mondays.

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Definition: A quality or feature. An inherent part of someone or something.

Synonyms: Characteristic, Virtue, Trait

DAY 1 – Tuesday

Creator: We will start at the beginning, with Creator God.

Genesis 1:1, the very first verse of the Holy Scriptures tells us that God created everything. As we read further God spoke things into existence!

In Psalm 19: 1-6, we learn that God's creation proclaims His glory and existence.

Romans 1: 20 declares that atheists are without excuse. His creation tells them He exists.

Revelation 21: 1-7, records that the history of the world not only begins with God's creating power, but also ends with God's creating power. There will be a new heaven and earth, and a New Jerusalem will come down from God out of heaven. Won't that be a beautiful sight? As my young granddaughter says, "I can't wait!"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"...but the one who built everything is God"(Hebrews 3:4b NLT).

DAY 2 – Wednesday

Sovereign: God is in complete control. It may not seem so because it appears that our world is in total chaos, but God knows what, where, why, and when. We may not understand, but we don't need to understand, we need to trust.

In Psalm 90:2, we read that God's sovereignty existed before the creation. He was in control when He created us and the universe.

God's sovereign control includes life and death. In Deuteronomy 30:15, Moses tells the Israelites that with God there is life and without Him is death.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God's authority and understanding is beyond human comprehension (Psalm 147: 5)

DAY 3 - Thursday

Almighty: In Genesis 17:1, God speaks to Abram and this is the first time the name Almighty God is recorded. At this time God changes Abram's name to Abraham and confirms the covenant with Abraham and his descendants. Did he use the name Almighty to impress on Abraham that this covenant was serious business?

In Genesis 18, God promises a son to Abraham and Sarah. Sarah laughs, because she doesn't believe she can conceive at such an old age. God challenges Sarah, "Is anything too hard for the LORD" (Genesis 18:13a)? For nothing is too hard for the Almighty.

In the book of Job, Elihu is speaking to Job about the disasters that have overcome his friend. Job's friends were not much help, and their theology skewed, but Elihu got this statement right: "We cannot imagine the power of the Almighty" (Job 37:23 NLT).

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"...find rest in the shadow of the Almighty (Psalm 91:1b)

DAY 4 – Friday

Victor: It may appear that the enemy is winning, but God is the Victor. It may require patience on our part, but someday we will see this victory in all its glory.

In Joshua 10:8, God tells Joshua not to be afraid because He was giving the Israelites victory over the Amorites. God, true to His word, killed more of the enemy with hail than the Israelites did with the sword. He also lengthened the day to bring victory to His people. Can you imagine the sun not setting? Only God can suspend His own laws. What a miracle they witnessed.

Proverbs 21: 30-31 tells us that nothing can succeed against God. No man is smart enough or insightful enough to defeat God. No man-made strategy will ever thwart God's plans. God's horse is ready for battle!

Of course, the New Testament is filled with victory dances through Jesus. John 16:33; 1 Corinthians 15: 57; and 1 John 5:4 to name just three. Read these Scriptures and rejoice.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Yes, I am coming soon" (Revelation 22:20b)!

DAYS 5 & 6 - WEEKEND REFLECTIONS (Saturday and Sunday)

Over the weekend read the following Psalms that reflect on these four attributes of God.

Psalm 104: Creator God
Psalm 145: Almighty God

Psalm 96: Sovereign God
Psalm 98: Victorious God

Day 7 – Monday

Take this day to focus on your Sunday sermon, spending additional time in prayer to prepare for your week.

