

8 - Oh the Depths: The Knowledge and Wisdom of God

“Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!
‘For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has become His counselor?’
‘Or who has first given to Him and it shall be repaid to him?’
For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things,
to whom be glory forever. Amen.”
~ Romans 11:33-36 ~

Introduction

I. God's Knowledge

A. Definition

1. “That perfection of God whereby He, in an entirely unique manner, knows Himself and all things possible and actual in one eternal and most simple act.”
2. Omniscience

B. Nature

1. It is archetypal
2. It is independent
3. It is immediate
4. It is complete

Question: So why does the Bible say, “God remembered...?”

C. Object of His Knowledge

1. Himself
2. All Things Past: History
3. All Things Present:
 - a) Great and Small
 - b) Public and Secret
 - c) Hearts, Thoughts, Motives
4. All Things Future
5. All Things Possible and Actual
 - a) Necessary Knowledge
 - b) Free Knowledge

D. God's Foreknowledge

1. Stated

2. Explained

3. Objections

E. Middle Knowledge

II. God's Wisdom

A. In Creation

B. In Providence

C. In Redemption

III. Concluding Thoughts

A. Gratitude

B. Judgment

C. Trust and Submission

D. Experimental Knowledge