

Sunday Morning – August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

***Welcome To The  
New Testament Baptist Church***

*Current Series*  
***Biblical Doctrine***

*Today's Message*  
***The Attributes of God – Pt. 3***

*Pastor Jack*

- **Daniel 11:32b** – *“The people that do know their God shall be strong and carry out great exploits (works).”*
  - This declaration in Daniel reminds us that we need to seek to know our God
    - Knowing our God will define our works
    - Knowing our God will strengthen us to work
- Attributes we’ve looked at:
  - Self-Existence, Immutability, Sovereignty, Holiness, Omnipresence and Omniscience

# The Veracity of God

- Veracity of God – Meaning that God is absolutely truthful and faithful in His revelation to and dealings with His creatures
  - Titus 1:2 “God cannot lie.”
- What good is all the Word of God if God is not truthful?
  - John 17:17 “Sanctify them by your truth: your word is truth.”
- **I Thess. 5:23-24**
  - God has promised and God is able
  - **Hebrews 6:18-19**
    - God does not change and God does not lie

- The truth is God's declaration of himself

*“Not to care about truth is not to care about God. To love God passionately is to love truth passionately. Being God-centered in life means being truth-driven in ministry. What is not true is not of God. What is false is anti-God. Indifference to the truth is indifference to the mind of God. Pretense is rebellion against reality and what makes reality is God. Our concern with truth is simply an echo of our concern with God.”*

***John Piper***

# God is Loving, Gracious, Merciful, Compassionate and Longsuffering

- God's love is eternal, sovereign, unconditional and unchangeable
  - His love is manifested in the election of His people
    - **Jeremiah 31:3; Ephesians 1:3-7**
  - God declared: "*Jacob have I loved and Esau have I hated*" (Rom. 9:13).
- Many ask: "How could God not love everyone?"
  - The real question: "How could God love anyone?"
- Those that know God's love shows God's love
  - **I John 4:7-11**

- **God is gracious, merciful, compassionate and longsuffering**
  - Grace is giving people what they do not deserve
    - **Psalms 145:8-9, 14-16**
    - **Matthew 5:43-45**
  - God is longsuffering with the wicked
  - God's compassion provides food and heals
- God's people that know their God should be strong in grace, mercy, compassion and patience
  - How much do we know our God?

*“The only real, practical measure of my apprehension for the goodness and mercy of God to me is the extent to which I am, in turn, prepared to show goodness and mercy to others.”*

**Philip Keller**

## God is Just

- Man is prone to interpret God's patience with sinners as God's toleration of sin
  - **Nahum 1:2-3; Deut. 32:1-4**
- Every sin must be punished
  - Some are punished in Christ
    - **Rom. 3:24-26**
  - Understanding God's justice you realize that sin cannot be punished twice, it cannot be punished upon the Savior and then upon the sinner in hell.