

**GOD CANNOT
"Change" (Malachi 3)**

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Everything CHANGES

Change is inevitable. The human soul longs to find stability, and yet we look for permanence in areas that are constantly changing: relationships, financial investments, and even familiar surroundings. What does the Bible teach us about the immutability of God?

God is _____ in his interactions with us,
but is _____ in his character.

The Unchanging CHARACTER of God

There are four main attributes of God that will never change. Thankfully, God is not like us and because God is unchangeable in these areas, our spiritual life can benefit in the following ways.

Because God's _____ never _____,
we are confident in the _____.

Because God's _____ never _____,
we trust in his _____.

Because God's _____ never _____,
we deserve _____.

Because God's _____ never _____,
we remain in his _____.

Discussion Questions

Getting Started

What has been one of the most difficult changes you have had to endure in your life? What gave you the most stability?

Digging Deeper

Read James 1:17. We are told that every perfect gift comes from God because his character is to give that which is good to us. We never have to worry about whether or not God wants good for us. He will never change his mind about how much he wants to bless you. Have you ever viewed God as a “being” who might do something bad to you because he was having a bad day? How is our God different from the mythological gods who seemed to change on every whim?

Read about God’s dynamic interactions with people (Genesis 18:27-33; Exodus 32:9-14; 2 Kings 20:2-11; Joshua 10:14). Discuss how the God of the universe wants to have a relationship with his creation. He listens to us even though he is far above us. Why do you think He wants to listen to us?

Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 teaches us that there is a season for everything and explains how everything changes over time. How are you able to discern when certain seasons need to end and other seasons need to start?

Applying the Word to Life

Which of these four unchangeable attributes of God means the most to you (God’s truth, power, holiness, love)? Why are each of these four characteristics important for our security?

The next time you are fearful that God might give up on you, remember that God is unchanging in goodness. What can you do to remind yourself this week of God’s unconditional love?