"God Is: Gazing upon the Glory of God in all His Attributes" Lesson 5: The Immutability of God

Based upon: "The Attributes of God" - AW Pink
"Systematic Theology" - L Berkhof
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Psalm 119:89-91 = "Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures. Your laws endure to this day, for all things serve you."

- I. God's Immutability:
 - A. What is it?
 - -Perfection of God in which He is unchanging in all ways.
 - -He has no beginning and no end, and can know no change.

Deuteronomy 32:4 = "The Rock, his work is perfect, for all his ways are justice. A God of faithfulness and without iniquity, just and upright is he."

- B. How does it apply to God:
 - 1. His Being/Essence:
 - -God's nature and being are infinite and by nature are not subject to change.
 - -He can not grow, evolve, improve, or diminish because he is eternally perfect.
 - -Nature of completeness within the Trinity didn't change with creation.

Exodus 3:14 = "God said to Moses, "I AM who I AM." And he said, 'Say this to the people of Israel: "I AM has sent me to you.""

- 2. His Attributes / Perfections:
- -God's Attributes are the essential qualities of His being.
- -They are all eternal and unchanging.
- -They can change no more than His deity can change.

Malachi 3:6 = "For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.

Hebrews 13:8 = "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever."

- 3. His Purposes / Promises / Determinations:
- -God's will never varies or changes.
- -God's will is not subject to man.
- -God is omniscient and omnipotent
- -Berkhof pg. 59

Psalm 102:25-28 = "Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end. The children of your servants shall dwell secure; their offspring shall be established before you."

Isaiah 41:4 = "Who had performed and done this, calling the generations from the beginning? I, the Lord, the first, and with the last; I am he."

Isaiah 48:12 = "Listen to me, O Jacob, and Israel, whom I called! I am he; I am the first, and I am the last."

James 1:17 = "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shades due to change."

Numbers 23:19 = "God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it?"

Psalm 33:11 = "The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations."

II. Man's Mutability:

-As we creatures, we are inherently mutable, because otherwise we'd be God.

"One of two things causes a man to change his mind and reverse his plans: want of foresight to anticipate everything, or lack of power to execute them." -AW Pink

-God changes his language to accommodate us but cannot change WHO he is.

Summary: God is either an eternal becoming or an absolute Being.

III. Application:

A. Pray/Praise like Hanna = 1 Samuel 1:10-11 and 2 Samuel 2:1-10

B. Rest in God like Hanna = 1 Samuel 1:18

Philippians 4:6-7 = "Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Jeremiah 31:3 = "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you."