



Articles of Faith Statement

God the Father is omnipotent, omnipresent, omniscient, eternal without beginning and without end, the same yesterday, today and forever, and judge of all the earth.

Key Scriptures

- *"I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed."* — Malachi 3:6 (NIV)
 - *"You are doing the works of your own father." They protested, "We are not illegitimate children. The only Father we have is God himself." Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I have come here from God. I have not come on my own; God sent me. Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say."* — John 8:41–43 (NIV)
 - *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind."* — John 1:1–4 (NIV)
 - *"And do not call anyone on earth 'father,' for you have one Father, and he is in heaven."* — Matthew 23:9 (NIV)
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Insights

God the Father is revealed in Scripture as eternal, unchanging, and sovereign over all. Malachi 3:6 declares, *"I the LORD do not change."* This means God's nature and character remain constant through all time. His promises are sure because He is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

John 1:1–4 emphasizes God's eternal nature and role as Creator. Before time began, the Word (Christ) was with God and was God. Everything came into being through Him. This affirms that God the Father, together with the Son, is the source of all life.

In John 8:41–43, Jesus challenges the religious leaders about their claim that God was their Father. Genuine children of the Father love and obey the Son. This teaches that God's fatherhood is not simply a title—it is a relationship marked by love, obedience, and truth.

Matthew 23:9 reminds us that God is the ultimate Father. While we have earthly parents, our highest loyalty and identity come from Him. This truth grounds our faith and shapes how we live.



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Together, these passages show that God the Father is eternal, unchanging, and all-powerful, yet personal and relational. He invites us into His

family through Christ and calls us to trust His perfect wisdom, power, and love.

Application

Knowing God as Father changes how we live. His eternal nature gives us confidence—when everything else changes, He remains the same. His wisdom and power assure us that He is in control, even when life feels uncertain.

As Father, God desires a relationship with us. We show we belong to Him by loving His Son and following His Word. This is more than words—it is daily trust and obedience.

Finally, recognizing God as our true Father frees us from seeking ultimate identity in people, possessions, or achievements. Our worth comes from belonging to Him. This truth leads us to worship, trust, and obey Him as our unchanging, all-powerful, loving Father.

1. What does Malachi 3:6 teach us about God's nature?

2. How do John 1:1–4 and John 8:41–43 reveal God as Father?

3. Why does Jesus connect loving Him to being children of the Father?

4. How does God's unchanging nature bring you comfort in uncertain times?

5. What intentional things can you do to live as a child of the God this week?
