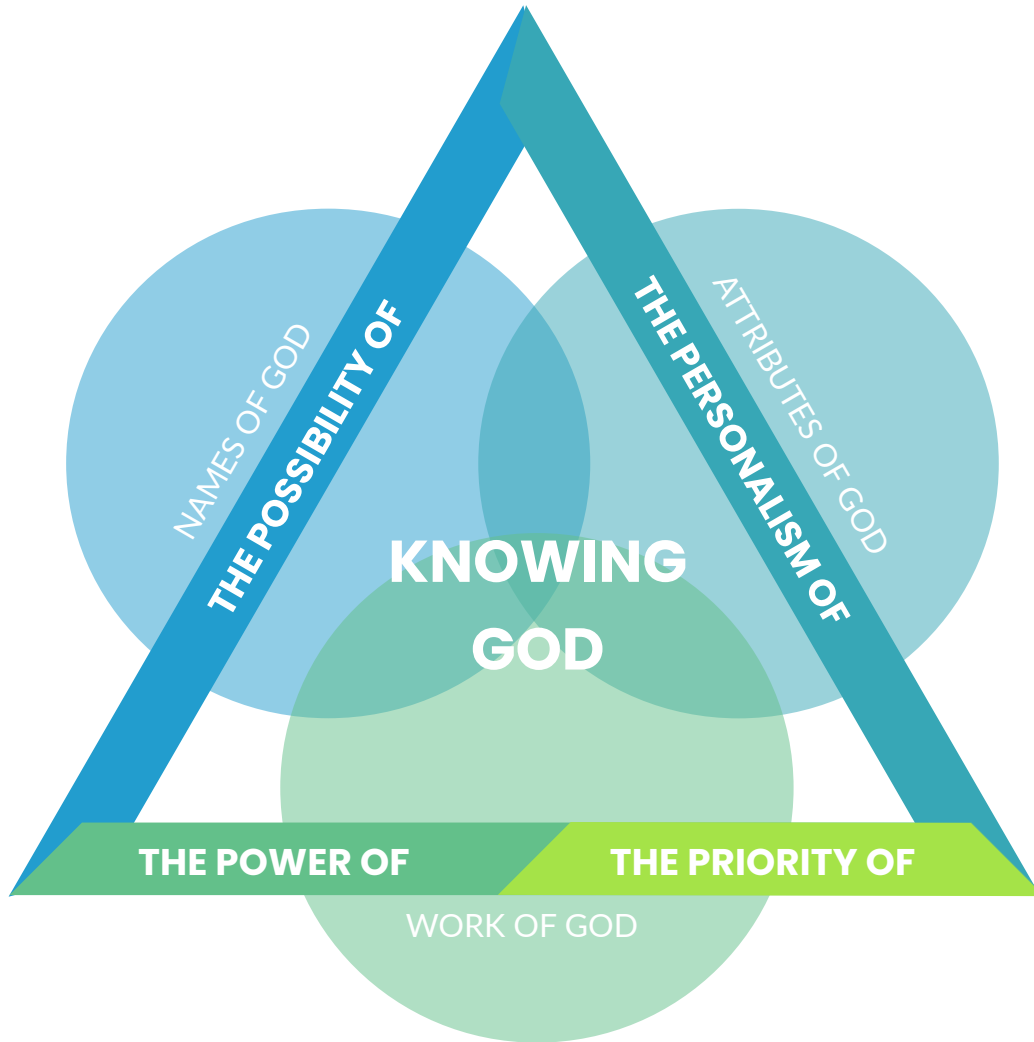

THEOLOGY PROPER



Psalm 145:3 (ESV) ³ *Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable.*

Psalm 147:5 (ESV) ⁵ *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.*

Isaiah 55:8–9 (ESV) ⁸ *For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

Psalm 139:6 (ESV) ⁶ *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it.*

1 Corinthians 2:11 (ESV) ¹¹ *For who knows a person's thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.*

Romans 11:33 (ESV) ³³ *Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!*

Jeremiah 9:23–24 (ESV) ²³ *Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches, ²⁴ but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord."*

"The finite cannot grasp the infinite, BUT God in his graciousness and mercy condescends to lisp for our benefit. – John Calvin

- _____ is the theological principle that God, while being in His nature unknowable and unreachable, has nevertheless communicated with humanity in a way that humans can understand and to which they can respond.
- _____ is the use of poetic symbols or physical metaphors for divine attributes which would otherwise be indescribable.

Matthew 11:27 (ESV)

²⁷ *All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.*

- *God has revealed the personal _____ of who He is.*
- *God has revealed himself personally to _____ and personal individuals.*
- *Our ability to understand God is the direct result of God's _____ of man.*

“Salvation is from our side a choice, but from the divine side it is a conquest of the most high God.” – A.W. Tozer

Jeremiah 24:7 (ESV)

⁷ *I will give them a heart to know that I am the Lord, and they shall be my people and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart.*

- *The knowledge of God is not something we _____, it's something we _____.*

- *The Power of Knowing God is not inherent in _____ knowledge, but in _____ knowledge.*

“We must never study God as we do other subjects that we seek to master. Rather, this great subject must master us. We may not study God the way a scientist studies a species of fish. We must study the Lord as his disciples.” – Joel Beeke

- *Knowing God is the Power of _____*

Romans 2:29 (ESV)

²⁹ *But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God.*

Ephesians 3:14-19 (ESV)

¹⁴ *For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, ¹⁶ that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.*

Colossians 1:9-10 (ESV)

⁹ *And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰ so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;*

- *Knowing God is the Power of _____*

“If theology doesn’t lead to doxology then we have missed the point of theology.”
– Shai Linne

“Theology has lost its way, and indeed its very soul, if it cannot say with the apostle John, ‘I fell at his feet as though dead’.” – Donald Macleod

Romans 11:33-36 (ESV) ³³ *Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!* ³⁴ *“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”* ³⁵ *“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?”* ³⁶ *For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.*

What is the chief end of human life? To Know God. – John Calvin

Isaiah 43:6-7 (ESV)

⁶ I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

- *Knowing God is the _____ of human _____*

- *Knowing God is the _____ of _____ life.*

John 17:3 (ESV)

³ And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

Psalms 139:17-18 (ESV)

¹⁷ How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! ¹⁸ If I would count them, they are more than the sand.


 NAMES OF
GOD

_____, _____ = God

Genesis 1:1 (ESV) ¹ In the beginning, God (elohim) created the heavens and the earth.

Micah 4:5 (ESV)

⁵ For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god (elohim), but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God (elohim) forever and ever.

Psalms 42:9 (ESV)

⁹ I say to God, my rock (el Sali) : “Why have you forgotten me? Why do I go mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?”

- El – singular noun
- Elohim – plural noun
- Most generic and general name for God in the OT.

Meaning: “God, god, supreme, to be strong, mighty”

_____ = the LORD

Micah 4:5 (ESV)

⁵ For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god (elohim), but we will walk in the name of the LORD (YHWH) our God (elohim) forever and ever.

Exodus 3:13–16 (ESV)

¹³ Then Moses said to Elohim, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The Elohim of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” ¹⁴ Elohim 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.’”

¹⁵ Elohim also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘YHWH, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, the Elohim of Isaac, and the Elohim of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations. ¹⁶ Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, ‘YHWH the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, “I have observed you and what has been done to you in Egypt,

- Tetragrammaton (four consonants)
- Jehovah – is actually an artificial English word put together from four Hebrew consonants, YHWH, and the vowels (a,o,a) from another name for God, Adonai. The Jews had a superstitious dread of pronouncing the name YHWH, so whenever they came to it they said “Adonai,” meaning “Master.” This custom sprang from a misinterpretation of *Leviticus 24:16*.
- Derived from a verb meaning “to be”, “I am”, “He is”

Significance: Covenant name of God revealing his sovereign lordship and covenant faithfulness.

Exodus 34:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ And he said, “Behold, I am making a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels, such as have not been created in all the earth or in any nation. And all the people among whom you are shall see the work of (the LORD) YHWH, for it is an awesome thing that I will do with you.

Leviticus 26:45 (ESV)

⁴⁵ But I will for their sake remember the covenant with their forefathers, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the nations, that I might be their Elohim: I am YHWH.”

Deuteronomy 7:9 (ESV)

⁹ Know therefore that YHWH your Elohim is Elohim, the faithful Elohim who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations,

John 8:53–59 (ESV)

⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?” ⁵⁴ Jesus answered, “If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, ‘He is our God.’” ⁵⁵ But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶ Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad.” ⁵⁷ So the Jews said to him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?” ⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.” ⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

Other names describing God:

- *Yahweh Yir’eh (Jehovah Jireh) – the LORD will provide*
 - *Genesis 22:14 (ESV) ¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, “The Lord will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.”*
- *Yahweh-nissi (Jehovah-nissi) – the LORD is my banner*
 - *Exodus 17:15 (ESV) ¹⁵ And Moses built an altar and called the name of it, The Lord Is My Banner,*
- *Yahweh-shalom (Jehovah-shalom) – the Lord is peace*
 - *Judges 6:24 (ESV) ²⁴ Then Gideon built an altar there to the Lord and called it, The Lord Is Peace.*
- *Yahweh rapha (Jehovah Rapha) - the Lord heals*
 - *Exodus 15:26 (ESV) ²⁶ saying, “If you will diligently listen to the voice of the Lord your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, your healer.”*

Proverbs 18:10 (ESV)

¹⁰ The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Name	Meaning	Example Verse
Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh	“I AM THAT I AM”	Exodus 3:14
Yahweh (Yahveh), Jehovah (Yehovah)	Possibly “I AM”, translated LORD	Exodus 3:4
Elohim	Mighty God/ gods	Genesis 1:1, Exodus 20:3
Adonai	Lord/Master	Genesis 20:4
Adonai Yahweh	Lord God	Genesis 15:2
Yah (Jah)	Shortened form of יהוה	Exodus 15:2
Yahweh Elohim	LORD God	Genesis 2:4
Yahweh Elohai	My God	Deuteronomy 4:5
Yahweh Elohechem	Your God	Numbers 15:41
Yahweh El Elyon	God Most High	Genesis 14:22
Yahweh Elohei David	God of David	Isaiah 38:5
Yahweh Roie	My Shepherd	Psalms 23:1
Yahweh Tsur V'goali	My Rock and Redeemer	Psalms 19:14
Yahweh Sali	My Rock/Hiding Place	Psalms 18:2
Yahweh Avienu	Our Father	Isaiah 63:16
Yahweh Shalom	Peace	Judges 6:24
Yahweh Rafa	Healer	Exodus 15:26
Yahweh Yir'eh	God provides or God Who Sees	Genesis 22:14
Yahweh Elohai	God of Israel	Exodus 5:1
Yahweh Nissie	My Banner/ Refuge	Exodus 17:15
Yahweh Maqadashem	Your Sanctifier	Exodus 31:13
Yahweh Oseinu	Our Maker	Psalms 95:6
Yahweh Shamah	God is there	Ezekiel 48:35
Yahweh Tsidqenu	Our Righteousness	Jeremiah 23:6
El	Mighty/ Sovereign One	Genesis 35:1
Eloah	Singular form of Elohim	Job 3:4
Elah	Awesome One	Daniel 2:18
Elohei	“I am God”	Genesis 46:3
Elai	My God	Psalms 22:1
Eloheinu	Our God	Judges 10:10
El Shaddai	God Almighty	Genesis 48:3
El Echad	One God	Malachi 2:10
El Hanneman	The Faithful God	Deuteronomy 7:9
El Tzaddik	Righteous God	Isaiah 45:21
El Elyon	Most High God	Numbers 24:16
El Elim	God of gods	Daniel 11:36

<i>Name</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Example Verse</i>
El De'ot	God of knowledge	1 Samuel 2:3
El Haggadol	The Great God	Deuteronomy 10:17
El Hakevod	The God of Glory	Psalms 29:3
El Hakadosh	The Holy God	Isaiah 5:16
El Hashamayim	God of the Heavens	Psalms 136:26
El Olam	Everlasting God	Genesis 21:33
El Roi	God who sees	Genesis 16:13
El Yeshurun	God of Israel	Deuteronomy 33:26
El Channun	Gracious God	Jonah 4:2
El Yisrael	God of Israel	Psalms 68:36
El Rachum	God of Compassion	Deuteronomy 4:31
El Yashuati	God is my Salvation	Isaiah 12:2
El Yashuatenu	God is our Salvation	Psalms 68:19
El Kanno	Jealous/ Zealous God	Joshua 24:19
El Deaot	God of Knowledge	1 Samuel 2:3
El Hannorah	The Awesome God	Nehemiah 9:32
El Chaiyai	God of My Life	Psalms 42:8
El Ghmulot	God of Recompense/ Retribution	Jeremiah 51:56
El Sal'i	God, My Rock	Psalms 42:9
El Emet	True God	Psalms 31:5
Immanu El (Immanuel)	God With Us	Isaiah 7:14
Elohim Emet	True God	Jeremiah 10:10
Elohim Bashamayim	God in Heaven	2 Chronicles 20:6
Elah Yerushalim	God of Jerusalem	Ezra 7:19
Elah Yisrael	God of Israel	Ezra 5:1
Elah Shamayia	God of Heaven	Ezra 7:23
Elah Elahin	God of gods	Daniel 2:47
Elah Avahati	God of My Fathers	Daniel 2:23
Elohei Tz'vaot	God of Hosts	2 Samuel 5:10
Elohei Avraham	God of Abraham, Issac, and Jacob	Exodus 3:15
Elohei HaElohim	God of gods	Deuteronomy 10:17
Elohei MaUzzi	God, My Strong Fortress	2 Samuel 22:33
Elohei Mikkarov	God who is near	Jeremiah 23:23
Elohei Marom	God on High/ God of Heights	Micah 6:6
Elohei Tzur Yishi	God, Rock of My Salvation	2 Samuel 22:47
Elohei Mishpat	God of Justice	Isaiah 30:18
Elohei Kedem	Eternal God	Deuteronomy 33:27
Elohei Tehellati	God of My Praise	Psalms 109:1

<i>Name</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Example Verse</i>
Elohei Avoteinu	God of Our Fathers	1 Chronicles 12:17
Elohei Nachor	God of Nahor	Genesis 31:53
Eloah Ya'akov	God of Jacob	Psalms 114:7
Adoni	My Lord	Psalms 110:1
Adoneinu	Our Lord/ Master	1 Samuel 16:16, Psalms 8:1
Adonei HaAdonim	Lord of Lords	Deuteronomy 10:17
Adon Yahweh Tz'vaot	Lord God of Hosts	1 Samuel 17:45

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