

Victoria Fellowship Church

International & Interdenominational

Bible Study Worksheet – January 31, 2021

Theme: The Attributes of God **Topic:** The Attributes of God: Omnipresent

Main Text: Psalm 139:7-10; Jeremiah 23:23-24

Key verse: Hebrews 13:5 *“Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” (NKJV)*

INTRODUCTION: ‘Omnipresent’ as an attribute of God is a term used to mean that God is present everywhere at the same time. That is what David was describing when he wrote, *“Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast”* (Psalm 139:7-10 NIV). God further spoke about His omnipresence when He said, *““Am I a God who is only close at hand?” says the Lord. “No, I am far away at the same time. Can anyone hide from me in a secret place? Am I not everywhere in all the heavens and earth?” says the Lord”* (Jeremiah 23:23-24 NLT). Since God is both omnipotent and omniscient, it makes sense that He would be present everywhere.

1. (a) When you think of God as Omnipresent, what comes to your mind? (b) According to Psalm 139:7-10; Jeremiah 23:23-24, where can we expect to find God’s presence? (c) How do passages like Colossians 1:17; Isaiah 57:15a contribute to your understanding of God’s Omnipresence?

Colossians 1:17b further unveils the concept of God’s omnipresence: *“... and in Him all things hold together.”* Apostle Paul told the Athenians as much, *‘... in Him we live and breathe...’* (Acts 17:28). So, God is everywhere. This means that everything that God is, is fully present at each point in each room, at every point in the building outside the room, and at every point outside the building. “More” of God is not found at point A than at point B. God and His attributes, including His holiness, wisdom, goodness, justice, knowledge, power, and so on, are fully present in His creation at every point. Jacob would not have known if he had not seen angels ascending and descending (Genesis 28:16); likewise, Moses would not have known if God had not told him he was on holy ground. That we sometimes do not feel His presence does not imply His absence. And not minding that God often “feels” more present here than He does over there, He is equally present in both places.

2. (a) How does God’s omnipresence help you understand passages like Hebrews 13: 5; Joshua 1:5b; and Matthew 28:20b? (b) In what way can an understanding of God’s omnipresence help you resolve notions like one place being holier than another or about ‘prayers not going beyond the ceiling’?

God is everywhere makes everywhere holy ground! This is awe-inspiring. In addition to the reverence it engenders, the Psalmist found it to be comforting: *“I can never get away from Your presence... If I ride the wings of the morning, if I dwell by the farthest oceans, even there your hand will guide me, and your strength will support me.”* (Psalm 139:7-10). If God’s omnipresence was comforting to David, it should even be more comforting to us, for Jesus expressly says to us *“I am with you always, even to the end of the age”* (Matthew 28:20).

3. (a) Read Proverbs 15:3; Isaiah 43:2; 57:15 and identify some of the ways God’s omnipresence benefits the believer. (b) What comfort is there for us in knowing that God is there seeing all the evil being perpetrated everywhere in the world? (c) In what areas of your life do you see an immediate application of lessons from this study? E.g., Hebrews 13:5a; Matthew 6:6; Psalm 32:8.

Prayer: Lord of all the earth, You are here. We bow in worship before Your Throne. Help us to live in awe of Your presence In Jesus’ Name, Amen.