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4. The needs of man.

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Bible Doctrine 1 – Lesson 3

THE OMNISCIENCE OF GOD

Isaiah 40:12-15

<u>Introduction</u>: God is infinite in knowledge. He knows himself and all other things perfectly from all eternity, whether they be actual or merely possible, whether they be past, present, or future. He knows things immediately, simultaneously, exhaustively, and truly.

Williams Evans explains, "God Is a Spirit, and as such has knowledge. He is a perfect Spirit, and as such has perfect knowledge. By Omniscience is meant that God knows all things and is absolutely perfect in knowledge."

Omniscience is from the Latin omnis meaning "all" combined with scientia meaning "knowledge" the combination meaning to know all or to have perfect knowledge. God's omniscience is His knowledge of all things including actual and possible, past, present, and future (foreknowledge). God is all knowing, and His knowledge is in no way restricted by temporal considerations. He knows and sees the past, the present, and the future with equal clarity and absolute certainty. To Him, all is the present.

Scripture teaches that God knows all things perfectly (Ps. 147:5; Job 37:16; 1 John 3:20), sees and hears everything (Ex 3:7; 2 Chr 16:9: Ps 34:15; 102:19, 20; Pr 5:21; 15:3; Jer. 16:16), knows from all eternity the entire plan of the ages and the part of every man in that plan. (Ps. 46:9-11; 48:3-7; Acts 15:18; Eph. 1:3-12). God has perfect knowledge of each individual person and of all his ways (Ps. 33:13-15; 139:1-16; Pr. 5:21), his words (Ps. 139:4; Matt. 12:35-37), his thoughts (1 Chr 28:9; Ps. 94:11; 139:1-2; Matt. 9:4), his afflictions and trials (Gen. 21:17-19; 1 Cor. 10:13; Rev. 2:9-10, 13) and his future actions and final state (Gen. 18:19; Ex. 3:19; Isa. 44:28-45:5; Matt. 25:31-34, 41; Acts 27:22-25).

I.	The fact of God's Omniscience.			
A.	God	Knows	and God is the Author of all things	
B.	God knows	and	all things and everything	
C.	God knows	things	well	
D. 1.	God knows all things actually existing in Creation Celestial.			
2.	Animal.			
3.	The thoughts and works of man.			

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5.	He knows all things possible.		
6.	God also knows the Future.		
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(e. The Wisdom of God takes the Omniscience of God is consideration 1)		
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II. A. 1.	The terror and fascination concerning God's Omniscience. To the Lost Man -The Omniscience of God is a terror.		
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B. 1.	To the Saved Man -The Omniscience of God is a fascination.		
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III.	The question concerning God's Omniscience. Does the foreknowledge of God interfere with the Freewill of Man?		

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