

# Attribute of God

Staff Training Bible Study



*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, 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."*

*Jeremiah 9:23,24*

This study is a template to aid your investigation of God and one of his many attributes. In consultation with your trainer, select an attribute of God to study.

**You will need to use an additional paper for your notes.** Suggested tools to have on hand are: Bible, Concordance. Or online: [Blue Letter Bible](#), [NET Bible](#)

## WHERE WE'RE GOING:

01	02	03	04	05	06
OVERVIEW	CONSIDER	INTEGRATE	SUMMARIZE	LABS	RESPOND
Broad search of the attribute across Scripture	Selection of key passages for further meditation	How does this truth about God impact your life?	Review and capture your main lessons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Seeing God's Attribute Lab</li><li>• Seeing God's Attribute in Jesus Lab</li></ul>	Connect what you learned to your life and ministry.



## WHERE YOU'VE BEEN:

Consider the quote below and give your reaction.

*"What comes into our minds when we think about God, is the most important thing about us."*

- A.W. Tozer "The Knowledge of the Holy"

## **01 OVERVIEW**

1. Define the Attribute of God that you will study. It can be helpful to list the current dictionary definition as well as the appropriate Hebrew or Greek words used in Scripture.
2. Using a concordance (or other resources), locate verses/passages that speak to the attribute you are studying. Search across the Old and New Testament.
3. Begin gathering a list of the passages that speak to the topic.

## **02 CONSIDER**

1. Refine the list to the *best* 10-15 verses/passages you discovered during the overview.
2. Read and meditate on each of these passages in its context. Try a variety of translations.
3. Summarize the content of each passage.
4. Read through your summaries and note the main points and/or how they fit together to reveal God. Write a composite summary of what these Scriptures teach.
5. Select a key (or favorite) verse from your study.

## **03 INTEGRATE**

1. How do your findings compare with your current understanding of God?
  - What convictions need to be forged?
  - What's difficult for you to believe about this? Why?
  - How have you experienced this truth about God?
2. How does this attribute impact:
  - My relationship with God?
  - My self-image?
  - My lifestyle?
  - My ministry?
3. Choose a Bible character that experiences this attribute of God.
  - Describe the character and the context of their story
  - How does God reveal this particular attribute? Did he/she live out trust or distrust of this attribute?
  - What does their experience teach me about knowing God?



## 04 SUMMARY

1. After study, does your definition of the attribute in the Overview need to be altered?
  
2. In light of this attribute of God:
  - I can be certain of...
  
  - I want to tell God...

## 05 LABS

Labs take learning and put it into practice. These labs seek to infuse Scripture into the campus setting in order to deepen our understanding of an attribute of God. Jesus would often draw upon his surroundings to make spiritual points come to life.

### **A. Seeing God's Attribute Lab**

God's attributes are all around us, so let's take a closer look.



*“For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse.” (Rom 1:20)*

God’s invisible attributes are clearly seen through an understanding of what God has made. A closer look at His creation reveals more about His eternal power and divine nature. Job 38-40, Psalm 19 & 104 are just a few passages where God’s attributes are on display through creation. (Hint: you can use these passages for ideas to complete the written portion below.)

#### **Assignment**

For this lab, you’re going to explore creation in an effort to see the attribute of God that you have chosen to do your Bible Study over. You’re basically answering the question: “How do I see this attribute in the creation around me?” You can look to nature, space, humanity, macro, micro or anything that is of particular interest to you. You may have even studied this in college.

1. Go explore campus and find something that reveals God’s attribute most clearly to you. This isn’t a google search sort of lab, actually get out in the field.
2. Take a few pictures of what you selected. If possible look at it, touch it, feel it, smell it, hear it, taste it and experience it in hopes of seeing God’s invisible attribute. Take some field notes about your experience.

3. Now create a Word doc where you insert the pictures you took and include your field notes.

4. Follow your curiosity into further research. Dig into the details of the subject to understand the science and depth of the item. Yes, you can Google search this part. Take note of at least fourteen discovery points.

5. Finally, write a Psalm with at least fourteen verses (one verse per discovery point) that describes how you see the invisible attribute through the visible creation that you studied (remember the "Hint" in the intro above).

## B. Seeing God's Attribute In Jesus Lab

Not only are God's attributes on display through creation (Rom 1:20), but His attributes are on display through His Son. Colossians gives us some insight into this.

*"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation." (Col 1:15)*

*"For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him," (Col 1:19)*

*"For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form," (Col 2:9)*

For this Lab Assignment you're going to discover your attribute of God in the life of Christ. You're basically answering the question, "How does Jesus reveal the attribute of God that I'm studying?"

### Assignment

1. Look through Scriptural passages that connect Jesus to the attribute of God that you have chosen. This may take a little time and it's probably easiest to start by looking in the New Testament.

2. Since Jesus is also spoken of often in the Old Testament (Luke 24:44), select a passage that describes Jesus in the Old Testament as He displays the attribute of God that you have chosen. (Hint: the book of Hebrews has low hanging fruit.)

3. Memorize the Old Testament verse or passage that speaks of Jesus as He displays the attribute of God.

4. Create a Word document where you type out your selected Old Testament verse or passage from memory. Please no peeking and yes, it has to be from the Old Testament.

5. Now write three paragraphs describing how you see the attribute of God in His Son through the Old Testament passage you memorized.



## **06 RESPOND**

Take a few minutes to *review* your study and consider the highlights. Then *reflect* on the questions below. DON'T SKIP THIS...*responding* is a key part of being formed through this experience.

What were 1-2 key takeaways or discoveries from the study?

How does what you learned in this study shape your approach to God?

What is one way you might need help in this topic?

What questions arose that you are excited pursue and learn more?



### **To Complete Your Study:**

Return to the online course, select Module 06 from the menu, and follow the instructions!