

## ENCOUNTERING THE GREATNESS OF OUR GOD

**BOOK: Our God Is Awesome by Dr. Tony Evans**

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**LESSON ONE: THE OMNISCIENCE OF GOD**

### **INTRODUCTION:**

The Universe only contains one “know-it-all.” The only one who knows everything is the great God. When we talk about the Omniscience of God, we are referring to His “all-knowingness,” what God knows. A simple definition is that God’s Omniscience refers to His perfect knowledge of all things both actual and potential. Omniscience of God means that there is absolutely nothing He doesn’t know; that no informational system or set data exists anywhere outside of God’s knowledge – nothing. He depends on no one outside Himself for any knowledge about anything.

### **GOD’S OMNISCIENCE IS INTUITIVE**

**Isaiah 40:13-14** -In these verses the prophet gives us this very valuable piece of information about God’s perfect knowledge. God’s knowledge is intuitive, by which is meant that it is innate and immediate. God does not learn: He simply knows. He neither discovers nor forgets. He sees things at once and in their totality. God thinks about all things at once.

**(1 Sam. 2:3)**

### **GOD’S OMNISCIENCE IS COMPREHENSIVE**

**Hebrews 4:13-** “There is no creature hidden from His sight, but all things are open and laid bare to the eyes of Him with whom we have to do.”

**No Detail Overlooked** – Nothing can be hidden from God. He knows our feelings, our desires, our excuses, and our personalities. He knows everything and anything, and He knows it comprehensively. He knows everything from the beginning. He sees what’s done in secret and what’s done in light. It would be quite difficult to give God a surprise party. Nothing can escape His all-encompassing knowledge. His knowledge isn’t confined to things on earth.

**(Acts 15:18, 1 John 3:20, Prov. 15:3, Matt. 10:29-30, Psa. 50:11, Psa. 147:4, 139:12, Jer. 1:5)**

**What Could Have Been** - God not only knows what could have been. It’s one thing for a person to know actual events, but it’s a whole different ball game for a person to know potential events as well. In **Matthew 11**, we find Jesus pronouncing this judgment, which reveals His comprehensive knowledge, because Jesus is God.

**Comprehensive Knowledge and Worship** – Comprehensive Knowledge and worship of God, involves engaging both heart and mind to honor Him based on Biblical Truth rather than personal imagination. It is a continuous, lifestyle-oriented response of gratitude to God’s revelation, involving love, obedience, and service. Key elements include studying scripture, prayer, and meditating on God’s character.

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### **LESSON TWO: THE OMNISCIENCE OF GOD: God's Omniscience is Personal**

(Ezek.11:5, John 1:47, Psa. 103:13-14, Matt. 10:30)

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

When we talk about the greatness of God, we often think of His power, His majesty, and His glory. One of the most breathtaking realities of God's greatness is that God who knows everything, also knows me. His omniscience is not distant, cold, or mechanical. It is intensely personal. He knows us completely, understands us fully, and sees through every layer of who we are. Yet He still loves us. Psalm 139:1-2a David says: **You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise.**

#### **God Knows Us**

God's knowledge is not general; it is specific and intimate. You can praise God for your sitting down and your rising up. God is aware of the smallest detail of our lives. He doesn't miss a thing. **God Knows:**

- Our thoughts before we think them. He knows where they came from and how they wound up there. God reads our hearts. **The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.** (1 Samuel 16:7)
- Our needs before we feel them. God knows when you are lost and the path to get you back on track. **You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.** (Psalm 139:3)
- Our words before we speak them. Once you have a thought God knows how it will be expressed before the first word comes out of your mouth. **Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.** (Psalm 139:4) - **Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nation.** (Jeremiah 1:5)

#### **God Understands Us - Job 23:10 – Psa. 56:8**

God's omniscience is relational. God knows what you did and why you did it. It's okay even when others misread you or don't understand you. God knows the truth and He understands. He knows your motives, your struggles, your pain, and every heartache. Bring your frustrations, fears, and questions to God knowing He understands the "why" behind every feeling. God knows everything going on behind the scenes. This includes every tear drop you have shed, and the reason you shed it. God bottles up our tears.

#### **God Sees Through Us**

God sees the real us. He sees through our masks and knows when we act as hypocrites. He knows when we look one way on the outside but are different on the inside. In Jesus' day the Sadducees and Pharisees went around fooling people with their righteous talk and righteous prayers. Jesus saw through them. **"Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs which indeed appear beautiful outwardly, but inside are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness."** (Mathew. 23:27) You can fool some of the people some of the time, but you can't fool God none of the time!

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### **LESSON THREE**

### **THE OMNISCIENCE OF GOD**

(Eph. 1:4-6, Acts 2:23, Luke 22:31-32)

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

Knowledge in Christianity is defined as the spiritual understanding that facilitates salvation and fosters a more profound relationship with Jesus Christ. This knowledge encompasses insight and experience that guide believers toward faith and a transformative connection with their Savior. This leads them to a more meaningful and purposeful spiritual life. Knowledge is not merely intellectual accumulation, but a relational, experiential, and moral understanding of God and His will. Rooted in the “fear of the Lord” (**Proverbs 1:7**), it is a spiritual gift empowering righteous living, distinct from worldly living.

#### **God’s Knowledge is Purposeful**

God’s knowledge is comprehensive, proactive, and deeply purposeful. His knowledge is designed to fulfill His Divine plan, reveal His character, and guide human lives. His Omniscience is not passive observation, but intimately tied to His intent to create, redeem, and guide people toward a purposeful life in Christ. **For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good work, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2:10**

#### **In Relation to Salvation**

**Ephesians 1** brings this out in relationship to our salvation. God wants us to know that our salvation was not by luck or chance, that we are not going to heaven because He just happened to look ahead and say, “Oh, you’re going to trust Me. Let me hurry up and do something.” Instead,

He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined [predetermined] us to adopt as sons . . . to the praise of the glory of His grace. (**v .4-6**)

**Acts 2:23** – Explains the mystery of the cross by weaving together two truths: God’s absolute sovereignty and human responsibility. It states that Jesus’ crucifixion was predestined by God to provide salvation, yet the people who carried it out were fully responsible for their wicked actions.

#### **In Relation to Daily Living**

The interplay of God’s purposes with our freedom appears not only in salvation, but in our day-to-day Christian life by providing direction, wisdom, and clarity that transcends human understanding. During the Last Supper, Jesus turns to Peter and says: “Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail . . . (**Luke 22:31-32**) Paul writes, “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we are sinners, Christ died for us,” (**Romans 5:8**). He knew our mess up, yet He’s willing to make up.

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### **LESSON 4: THE OMNISCIENCE OF GOD: Running to God**

(Jer. 31:34, Psa.139:6;71:3)

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

Running to God involves intentionally seeking Divine help, comfort, and direction in times of trouble, fear, or daily life, rather than running away due to shame or fear. It is described as a deliberate, wholehearted, and often persistent act of prayer, worship, and reliance on faith to find strength, peace, direction, Trust and Obey, and connect with others who are also focused on a spiritual path.

God loves us despite our failure. If we come back to Him, He will receive us because His love is everlasting. The one thing God chooses to forget is our sin. **Jeremiah 31:34**

You can run from knowledge like the unregenerate person, and act like it doesn't exist, or you can run like Peter. When David looked into God's knowledge of him, he said, "**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me...**" (Psalm 139:6.)

Key Aspects of Running to God:

- **In Times of Trouble: (Surrender)** When facing fear, discouragement, or failure, you are encouraged to run to God, who provides help and refuge.
- **Prayer and Worship: (Consistent Practice)** This practice involves consistent, often daily, communication with God through prayer, Bible study, and worship.
- **A "Race" of Faith:** The Christian life is compared to a marathon where one runs toward God for strength and perseverance, rather than relying on their own capacity.
- **Wholehearted Commitment:** It means letting go of self-reliance, giving up control, and allowing God to direct your path, rather than running ahead of Him.
- **Finding Peace** -Running to God is associated with reducing anxiety, gaining perspective, and finding rest for one's soul.