

The Being of God

Homework Assignment:

1. Bring to class one item to prove the existence of God
2. Read **Isaiah 40:9-31; 44:1-8; 45:5-13; 46:3-11**

Lesson Outline

- I. **Genesis 1:1** - "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."
 - i. God's existence
 1. Is taken for granted
 2. Is the greatest of mysteries
 - a. **Job 11:7-9**
 - b. **Romans 11:36**
 3. Unlocks thousands of other mysteries
 - ii. Cause and Effect – The basis of our minds
- II. **Romans 1:19-20** - "Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; ... even His eternal power and Godhead;"
 - i. Man has the capacity to know there is a God
 1. Man is without excuse
 2. Creation infers a Creator – **Psalms 19:1-6**
 - ii. Creator implies eternal power
 1. Create – to bring into existence
 2. Eternal power precedes creation
 3. Godhead gives personality to power
 - iii. Power – the ability to do something, either inherent or exercised
 1. Power belongs to mind or spirit not matter
 2. Power belongs to God
 - a. **Psalms 62:11**
 - b. **John 19:10-11**
 3. No intermediate step between the thought (will of the mind) and the action
 - a. **Genesis 1:3**
 - b. **Psalms 33:8-9**
 - iv. Motion is clear proof of Deity
 1. Implies a cause
 2. Implies intelligence
 - v. Mind or spirit is apart from matter
 1. Angels are examples

2. All spirits are subservient to Supreme Spirit
3. Opposition to Deity is absurd
 - a. **Isaiah 10:15**
 - b. **Acts 5:39**
4. All created beings, in this respect, are but instruments in the hand of Deity whose Will is sovereign over them.
- vi. God is the source, origin and fountain of all power
 1. He is the self-existent, uncaused, the First Cause
 2. This thought is incomprehensible
 3. "Eternal Power and Godhead"
 - a. **I Chronicles 29:10-13**

III. **Psalms 14:1** - "The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God." - THERE IS A GOD!!

- i. Explain things otherwise unexplainable
- ii. FATE – that all things exist, and have existed from eternity by inevitable necessity
 1. Denies creation
 2. Unreasonable and unsatisfactory
- iii. CHANCE – the material universe was constructed out of atoms fortuitously coming together from realms unknown
 1. No accounting of these atoms
- iv. Both theories exclude God from the universe
- v. Evidences of adaptation point to intelligent design
 1. Gills / water; Lungs / air; Seed / Soil; Birds / air
 2. Intelligence and design are not properties of matter but of spirit
 3. The question has to arise, "Who is the Designer?"
 4. **Hebrews 1:10-12**