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OMNIPRESENCE

GOD is eternally, wholly; personally and simultaneously present everywhere [Psalm 139:8, Proverbs 15:3, Deut. 4:39, Acts 17:27]. God is the totality of His presence- without diffusion, expansion, multiplication, or division. He penetrates and fills the entire universe and everything beyond the universe to infinity [Psalm 139:7, Jeremiah 23:23-24, Acts 17:27].

God is free to be local while at the same time existing throughout all space and beyond space [Exodus 19:18-20, Lev. 16:2]. Omnipresence describes space in relation to God. Immensity describes God in relation to space.

God is not subject to the laws of space. As He did with time, God invented and created space. Space is large, but not as large as God. God cannot be more or less than He is. We cannot measure God.

God is the Cause of space –He put order into space. Space is one of the boundaries God has given to us, the other being time. We cannot escape time or space, it would be disaster to do so- our entire orientation in life is tied up to time and space.

In relation to space, God is immanent in space and transcendent outside space. Since God is the Creator, the Cause of space –God would exceed those boundaries to infinity.

God has the ability to construct time and space and is inside them as well outside them. Knowing this, we have no cause for worry on our personal or national problems.

God may be Self-limited as in the case of the Incarnate Person of Jesus Christ in hypostatic union (κενοσις) [Πηλιπιωνσ 2:7].

God's infinity is intensive rather than extensive –that is, God is not to be thought of merely as extending infinity beyond time and space but as possessing within Him infinite resources. God is the perfect Person who passes beyond all phenomena and constitutes the basis for them, as possessing within Himself a boundless supply of the infinite energy of His spiritual life and personality.

Omnipresence means that God is personally present, knowing firsthand our sins, problems, circumstances, because He is available to help, able to protect or provide our needs.

God exists beyond spatial limitations. He is immanent and transcendent. *Immanence* means His entire essence is always present everywhere in nature, in history, in all the affairs of mankind [Jeremiah 23:23-24, Acts 17:27-28]. *Transcendence* means He is totally independent of the created universe so that no particular place exclusively contains Him [Psalm 113:5-6, Isaiah 55:8-9, John 8:23].

Immanence and transcendence exist in balance, so that the whole earth is full of His glory [Isaiah 6:3]. His whole being is present in every point in the universe, while at the same time He is HOLY and

EXALTED infinitely beyond the universe [Isaiah 6:1,3]. He pervades the universe while at the same time He is free to be in specific location.

Omnipresence assures no believer will ever be alone in any given time anywhere in the world or beyond. The Father fills heaven and earth [Jeremiah. 23:23-24]. Jesus Christ promises not to leave the believers without the Comforter while in the world [Matthew 28:20]. The Holy Spirit permanently resides and indwells the believer [1 Corinthians 6:19].

God is not in time or space but time and space is in God. In relation to doing the will of God –He has to provide us with the means of complying with His order. He gives us time and space so that we could be at the right place at the right time doing the right thing.