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## SELF- EXISTENCE

GOD exists eternally, without being sustained by Him or by any other source. God has no beginning. Yahweh means the SELF-EXISTENT ONE. God is the SOURCE of all sustaining but does not need it Himself. God exists as an infinite Person who does not need help from anyone. He is the infinite Source with infinite capacity who provides for our needs.

God's existence is unalterable. He is the Cause of all existence outside Himself, but He has no cause for Himself. That is why we adjust to Him and He does not adjust to us. If God caused us to receive His life, He can also afford to give us some of His energy. God is infinitely capable of supplying His energy to His children.

This is an indirect, impersonal supply line available for the entire human but the only beneficiaries are the Church Age believers. The direct for the Church Age believers is called grace.

There is nothing beyond God. When we made our first adjustment to His justice by believing in Christ-we are related to the One who has no origin, the Cause but has no cause. So, then, if there is nothing beyond God—our relationship with Him is the peak.

There are points of similarity between the essence of God and the soul of man—since the soul was patterned after the essence of God. God's being (essence) is unseen or invisible, real with ten basic attributes (such as sovereignty, righteousness, justice, eternal life, love, omnipotence, omniscience, omnipresence, veracity and immutability). The human soul is unseen or invisible, real and has some attributes (self-consciousness, volition, mentality, emotion and conscience). Beyond that there is no parallel between divine essence and the human soul.

God has no origin, He is the Cause but He has no cause. God is perfectly familiar with every secondary cause outside of Himself. He has every attribute necessary to make Him the perfect Judge of all human beings.

God created time but He is not in time. Time is for man not for God. God created space but God is not in space. Time is finite while God is infinite. God transcends time.

Time is a line of procedure as far man's perspective is concerned. God always accomplishes in time what has to be done in time as part of His divine plan of grace. God is not the subject of time but He uses time for the advantage of the believers in the world [Psalm 90:2, 102:27, 1 Cor. 2:7].

God invented time for the following reasons:

1. For our orderly and systematic existence in the world.
2. For our convenience and comfortable existence.
3. For God to manifest His eternal life to us.

4. For believers to exercise their royal priesthood and royal ambassador for Christ.
5. For believers to reach spiritual maturity and therefore receive blessing in time and eternity.

God exists outside time. No one brought God to existence. There was never a time when God does not exist. We are related to the One who has no origin. The Cause and the Source of all things.

The attributes of God are perfect and eternal. Attributes are those qualities and perfections, which belongs to God alone never applicable to any created beings.

“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” [Romans 1:20].

The personality of God comes from the attributes of His essence.