

The Certainty of God in an Uncertain World - Unchanging God

Psalm 102:25-28.

“Long ago You established the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You will endure; all of them will wear out like clothing. You will change them like a garment, and they will pass away. But You are the same, and Your years will never end. Your servants’ children will dwell securely, and their offspring will be established before You.”

Unchanging in who He is and what He is like.

Malachi 3:6 – God is as opposed to sin as He always has been, and as ready to forgive one who repents.

James 1:17 – Anything good, anything generous, or gracious comes from God, and He never changes or shows partiality.

Unchanging in His purposes and promises.

Isaiah 46:9-11 – God doesn’t alter His plans or change His purpose. What He says, He does... always.

Psalm 33:9-11 – God’s plans are secure in Him, but the plans of people are subject to Him.

Unchanging in His passions and emotions.

Rejoice – Isaiah 62:5

Grieved – Psalm 78:40

Angry – Exodus 32:10

Compassion – Psalm 103:13

Study Questions

1. Is the certainty that God is unchanging a source of comfort or confidence for you?
2. Does the truth of God's unchanging justice seem to run counter to His unchanging mercy?
How do you reconcile these attributes?
3. Does the certainty of God's own purposes and plans provide certainty to you of your secure redemption in Christ?
4. How is your view of human history and present circumstances influenced by Isaiah 46:9-11 and Psalm 33:9-11?
5. Does the truth of God's passions and emotions put your view of Him in a new light?