Essence of God - Part 1

Volume 5 - Unit 2

I. Definition

That which underlies all outward manifestation. The reality itself, whether material or immaterial. The substratum.

II. The Qualities

A. Spirituality - God is a spiritual substance. Key verse: John 4:24 - What does this mean?

1. He is immaterial and incorporeal.

Luke 24:39

What about hands (Isaiah 65:2)?

What about feet (Genesis 3:8)?

What about eyes (I Kings 8:29)?

What about ears (Nehemiah1:6)?

Anthropomorphisms.

2. He is invisible. Deuteronomy 4:15-19

Exodus 33:20

John 1:18

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I Timothy 6:16
       But did not some men see God? Jacob (Genesis 32:30) Moses
       (Exodus 3:6) Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1)
       a. Saw His reflection - not His essence. (Exodus 33:20-23)
       b. God manifests Himself in physical form. (John 1:32, Genesis
       16:7-14, 22:11-18, Exodus 3:2-5)
       Will the redeemed see God some day?
       Matthew 5:8
       Revelation 22:4
3. He is alive.
       a. "The living God" (Joshua 3:10, Psalms 84:2, Matthew 16:16, I
       The s 1: 9)
       b. God lives vs. heathen idols which are dead (Psalms 115:3-9)
4. He is a person. A person has:
       a. Intellect
              Acts 15:18
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Romans 1:20, Colossians 1:15, I Timothy 1:17

Romans 11:33-34

b. Sensibility

John 3:16

Genesis 6: 6

Deuteronomy 1:37

Exodus 2 0: 5

Psalms 111:4

c. Will

Romans 9:11

Romans 9:15

II Peter 3:9

I Corinthians 1:21

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE - John 4:24- "God is spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth."