## **Doctrine of God** Lorne Sanny

I. Introduction.

- A. "Who said so?" makes quite a difference.
- B. Who is the Lord that we should obey Him? (Exodus 5:2, Job 21:15)

II. God is the one who created the heavens and stretched them out. (Isaiah 42:5)

- A. The universe is expanding and stretching out.
- B. God is bigger than the space age.
- C. The greatest thought that can occupy our minds is that of God Himself.

III. What God is like.

- A. He is a spirit, so our being cannot apprehend Him.
- B. As a spirit, God is omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent, unchanging and eternal.
  - 1. God has named every star a great feat. (Isaiah 40:25)
  - 2. We have a God who does not grow weary.
  - 3. His grace is endless.
- C. God's knowledge is endless. All things are naked and open to Him. (Psalm 139)
  - 1. His omniscience is only a comfort to those who are submitted to Him.
  - 2. He knows when we are misjudged, and He knows our motives.
- D. God is everywhere present.
  - 1. There is nowhere we could go to get away from Him.
  - 2. God is there when we are lonely.
- E. God is unchangeable.
  - 1. When the world is always changing, God stays the same.
  - 2. People are sometimes reliable and sometimes not, unlike God. (Psalm 102:24-27)
- F. God is a Person.

1. He can be known in personal experience like you can get to know any person.

2. He communicates to us through our minds, emotions and our will.

3. God is holy, and God is love.

4. The first thing we will see when we see the Lord is His holiness and our un-holiness. (Isaiah 6)

5. In understanding God's holiness we must hasten to the fact that God is love because we need mercy.

a. He makes sacrifices beyond human conception to reveal love. (1 John 4:7)

b. He loved us in that He sent His Son to die for our sins. There is no greater demonstration of His love.

IV. Conclusion.

## **Application questions**

1. Is God still relevant today? Based upon the message, justify your answer.

2. Who is God? Summarize what He is like.

3. Why is it important that we understand God as a Person? What comfort can this bring to you? Explain.