

Sermon Title: Summer Series 24: God's Omnipresence

Scripture: Colossians 1:15-20; Psalm 139:7-12

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- 1. Have you ever tried to be two (or more) places at once? How did that work out for you?
- 2. What does omnipresence mean? How would you define it?
- 3. Last week, we discussed God's transcendence (existing apart from and not subject to limitations of the material universe) in comparison to God's preeminence (biggest of all, surpassing all others). Colossians 1:15-20 speaks to God's preeminence. How has your understanding of these two grown based on the last two weeks?
- 4. As Colossians 1:15-20 describes all that God has created, how does this reveal His omnipresence?
- 5. Colossians 1:16 says, "for by him all things were created...all things were created through him and for him." This includes heaven and earth, visible and invisible, thrones, dominions, rulers, and authorities. This applies to the past, present, and future. What can we learn from omnipresence based upon this?
- 6. Colossians 1:17 says, "He is before all things, and in him all things hold together." As we think of our world today (and just today, meaning right now), consider the scope of <u>ALL</u> things. What is God before and holding together in your life (even if it looks like it is falling apart)?
- 7. A few weeks ago, Shane shared Psalm 139 as it relates to God's Omniscience (all knowing), in particular about humanity. How does Psalm 139:7-12 also speak to God's Omnipresence (all places)?
- 8. A.W. Tozer says, "the doctrine of divine omnipresence personalizes man's relation to the universe which he finds himself. This great central truth gives meaning to all truths and imparts supreme value to all his little life. God is present, near him, next to him, and this God sees him and knows him through and through. At this point faith begins, and while it may go on to include a thousand other wonderful truths, these all refer back to the truth that God is and God is here." What does this mean to you alongside Colossians 1:15-20 and Psalm 139:7-12?
- 9. God is and God is here. Present, near, next to, see us, and knows us. God holds us and our world (not to mention the planet) together. Let's pray for one another about the areas of our life where we need to experience this truth (i.e. the places where it feels like our world is falling apart). May God reveal Himself to us during this time of prayer.