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1. God knows our **contemplations**.

Psa 94:10-11 NLT *He punishes the nations—won't He also punish you? He knows everything—doesn't He also know what you are doing? The LORD knows people's thoughts; He knows they are worthless!*

2. God knows our physical **care**.

Psa 103:14 NLT *For He knows how weak we are; He remembers we are only dust.*

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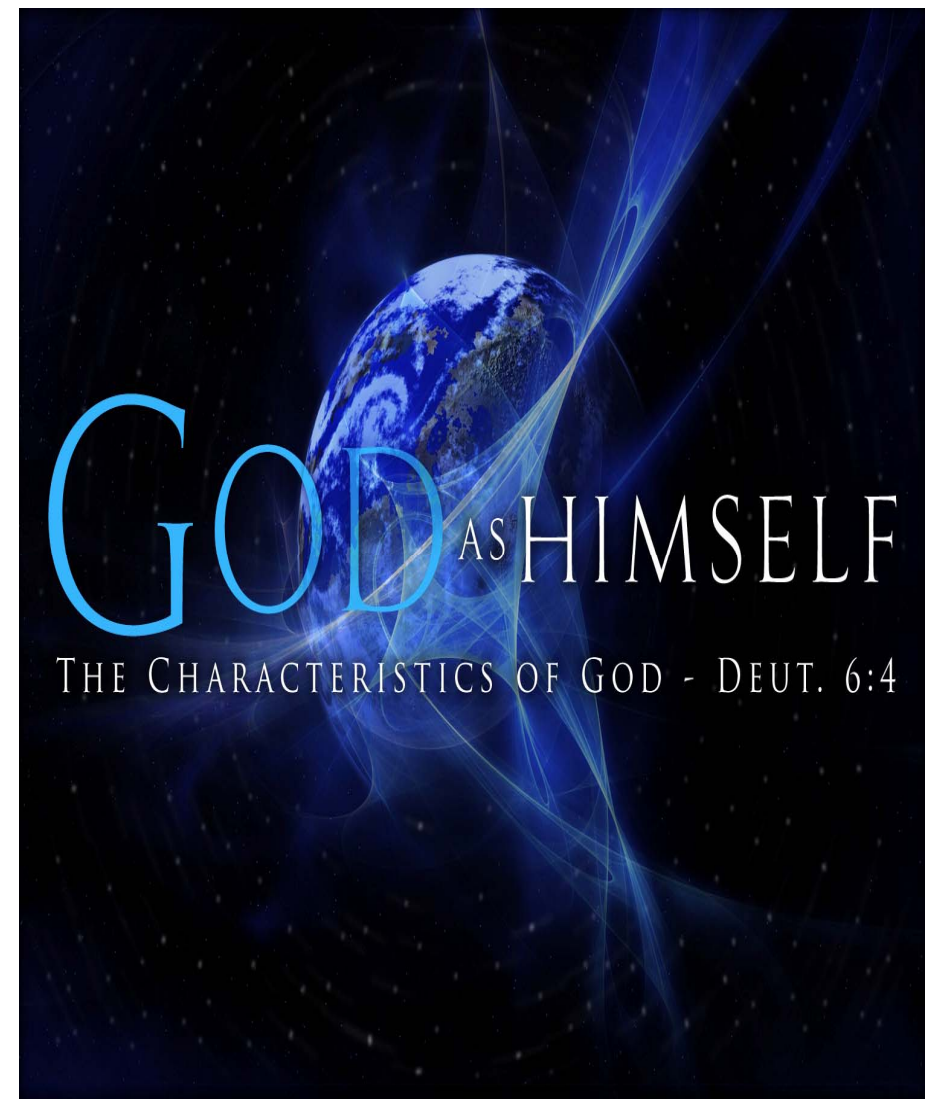
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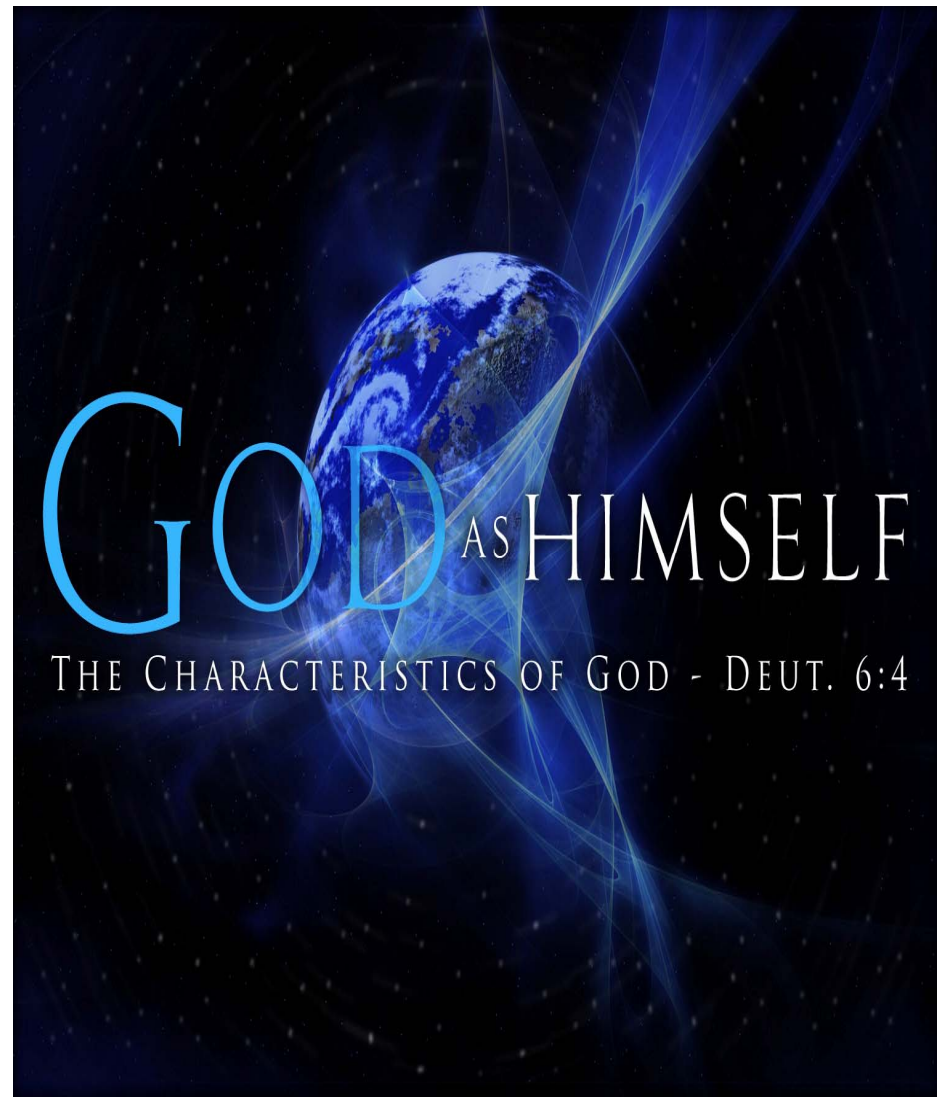
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Chuck Colson says it well, "Holiness is the everyday business of every Christian. It evidences itself in the decisions we make and the things we do, hour by hour, day by day." [Loving God p. 131]