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4 Things God Cannot Do

1. God Cannot **LIE**.

1Sa 15:29 NIV *He who is the Glory of Israel does not lie or change his mind; for he is not a man, that he should change his mind."*

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John 14:2-3 NIV *In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*

2. God Cannot **CHANGE** Who He Is.

Mal 3:6 NIV *"I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.*

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1Jn 4:7-8 NIV *Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.*

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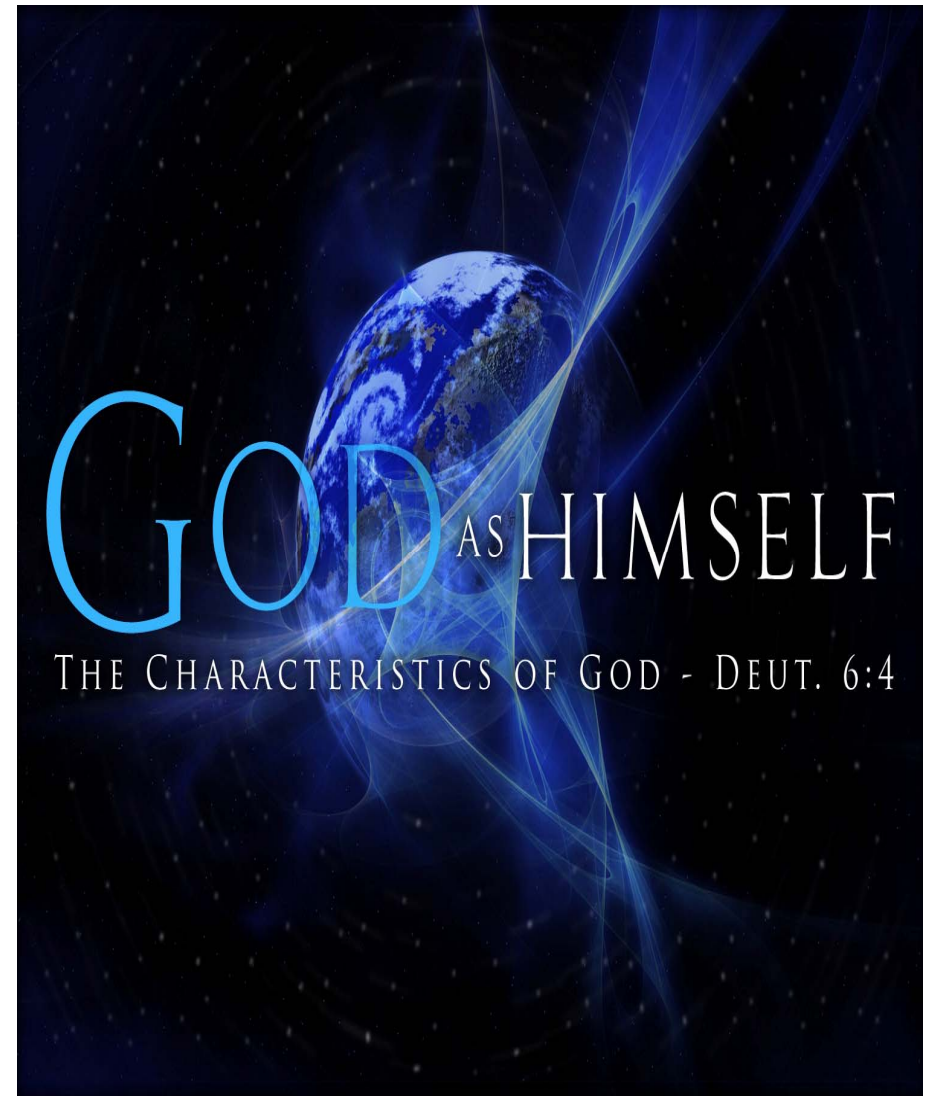
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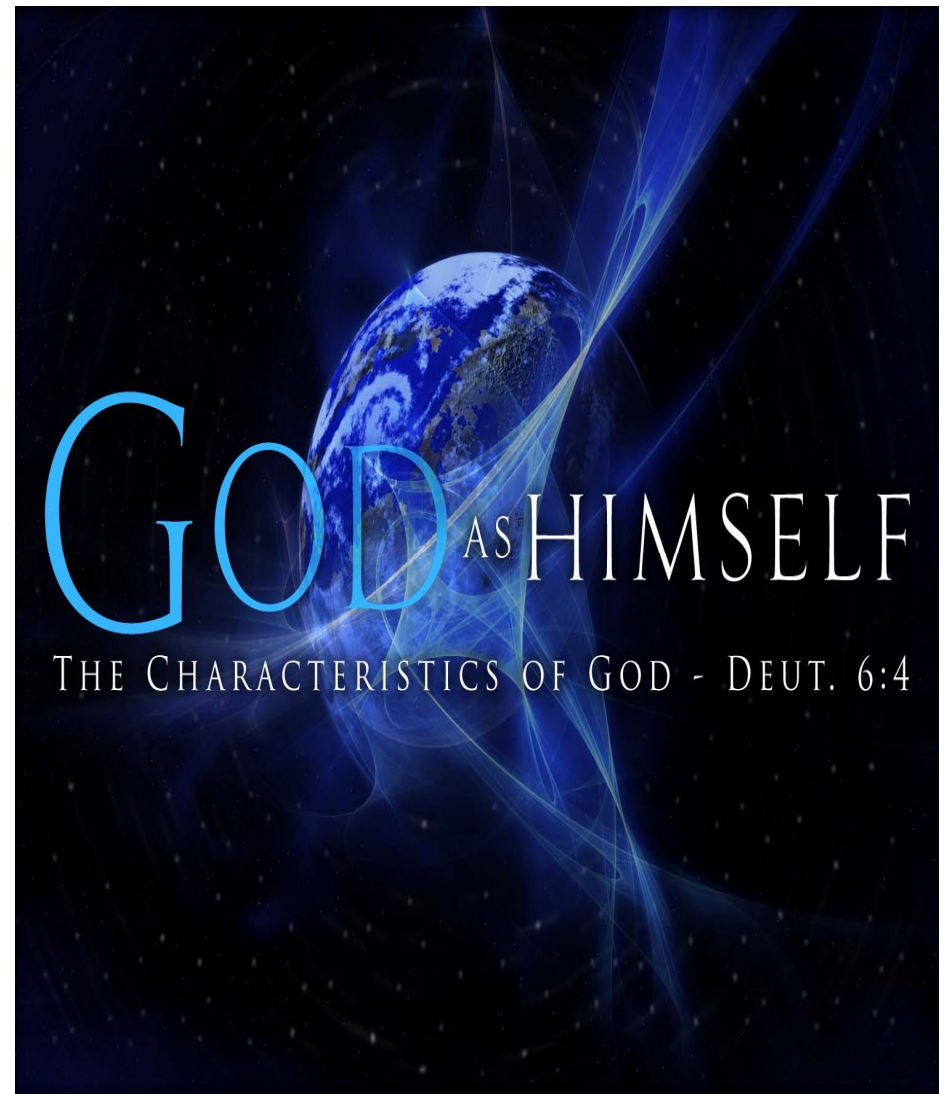
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Chuck Colson says it well, "Holiness is the everyday business of every Christian. It evidences itself in the decisions we make and the things we do, hour by hour, day by day." [Loving God p. 131]