

God Is Independent
Acts 17:22-31

Main Point:

Worship your independent God as you daily depend upon Him.

1. God's independence

2. God's independence in the gospel

3. God's independence in the Christian life

R.C. Sproul "God is self-existent. He has the power of being in and of Himself. He depends on nothing and no one for His existence."

George Swinnock "He is what He is of Himself and from Himself."

Herman Bavinck "God is exclusively from himself, not in the sense of being self-caused but being from eternity to eternity who he is, being not becoming."

Steven Lawson "He lacks nothing, while possessing everything. He has no inadequacies, no incompleteness, no gaps, no voids to be filled."

Romans 11:33-36 33 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out! 34 "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?" 35 "Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?" 36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen. (NKJV)

A.W. Pink "He gives to all, but is enriched by none."

John Frame "Salvation presupposes God's aseity, for in salvation we are desperate, and God is all-sufficient. Because God is [independent], salvation is by grace alone."

John 6:57 57 As the living Father sent Me, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me. (NKJV)

Mark Jones "If Christ had to constantly depend on the Father when he walked this earth, insofar as he had the Spirit given to him from the Father without measure, then are we somehow exempt from this type of life?"