Cayucos Community Church Sermon Notes: 2-25-2018, Pastor Dale James

Know God - Unchanging

Change or no change

To Know God, we must wrestle with & rejoice in this reality -God does **not** change.

Immutability = God cannot change from <u>Himself</u>

God cannot change for the better: He is perfectly holy

God cannot change for the worse: He cannot deteriorate

2 Timothy 2:11-13

God and change in the Scriptures

Psalm 110:4 Jeremiah 4:27-28 Malachi 3:6

1 Samuel 15:28-29

Psalm 102:12, 25-28

Doesn't the Bible also say God changes?

Jeremiah 26:13

Genesis 6:5-7

anthropopathisms

anthropo = man

pathism = feelings

progress of revelation

man changes, so God's *orientation* changes

Implications of God's unchangeableness

God is constant

James 1:17

examples

Security

Comfort

Confidence

His word is always true; His promises are always kept

Isaiah 40:6-8

Numbers 23:19

Concern - immutability welcomes but also warns

The **<u>GIFT</u>** of our ability to change.

2 Corinthians 3:18

Because we are broken, rejoice that we can be "fixed"