



# Attributes of God

*A devotional guide with definitions, memory verses, and study passages*

Attribute	Short Definition	Memory Verse	Study Passages
<b>Holiness</b>	God is perfectly pure, set apart from sin and evil.	<i>Isaiah 6:3</i>	Leviticus 11:44; 1 Peter 1:15–16
<b>Love</b>	God’s unconditional, sacrificial care for His creation.	<i>1 John 4:8</i>	John 3:16; Romans 5:8; 1 Corinthians 13
<b>Omnipotence</b>	God is all-powerful and sovereign over all things.	<i>Jeremiah 32:17</i>	Genesis 1; Psalm 147:5; Revelation 19:6
<b>Omniscience</b>	God knows all things—past, present, and future.	<i>Psalms 139:1–2</i>	Isaiah 46:9–10; Hebrews 4:13
<b>Omnipresence</b>	God is present everywhere at all times.	<i>Psalms 139:7–10</i>	Jeremiah 23:23–24; Acts 17:27–28
<b>Faithfulness</b>	God always keeps His promises and is trustworthy.	<i>Lamentations 3:22–23</i>	Deuteronomy 7:9; 2 Timothy 2:13
<b>Justice</b>	God is fair and righteous in all His judgments.	<i>Deuteronomy 32:4</i>	Psalm 9:7–8; Romans 2:6–11

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<b>Grace</b>	God gives unearned favor and blessings.	<i>2 Corinthians 12:9</i>	Romans 3:23–24; Ephesians 2:8–9
<b>Immutability</b>	God never changes in His nature or promises.	<i>Malachi 3:6</i>	Hebrews 13:8; James 1:17
<b>Wisdom</b>	God applies perfect knowledge for the highest good.	<i>Romans 11:33</i>	Proverbs 3:19; James 3:17
<b>Goodness</b>	God is kind, generous, and morally perfect.	<i>Psalms 34:8</i>	Exodus 33:19; Nahum 1:7
<b>Wrath</b>	God's righteous anger against sin and injustice.	<i>Romans 1:18</i>	Revelation 6:16–17; Nahum 1:2–3
<b>Patience</b>	God is slow to anger and long-suffering.	<i>2 Peter 3:9</i>	Exodus 34:6; Romans 2:4
<b>Self-Existence</b>	God has no beginning or end; He depends on nothing.	<i>Exodus 3:14</i>	Psalms 90:2; John 1:1–3
<b>Sovereignty</b>	God rules over all creation with authority and purpose.	<i>Psalms 115:3</i>	Daniel 4:35; Ephesians 1:11
<b>Mercy</b>	God shows compassion and withholds deserved punishment.	<i>Ephesians 2:4–5</i>	Psalms 103:8–12; Titus 3:5

## Financial Update 2025

GENERAL GIVING	Last Week	YTD (08/10)
Budget Plan	\$ 20,433	\$ 653,856
Giving (Donations)	\$ 13,189	\$ 598,998
	<b>(Short) \$ 7,244</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 54,858</b>
GF EXPENSES	\$ 16,291	\$ 651,786
FAITH PROMISE		
Budget Plan	\$ 1,053	\$ 33,696
Giving (Donations)	\$ 260	\$ 20,317
	<b>(Short) \$ 793</b>	<b>(Short) \$ 13,379</b>
FP EXPENSES	\$ 0	\$ 30,795
CIRA 2025: Budget: \$172,369	Church Plant: Budget: \$	150,000
Giving: \$ 87,443	Giving: \$	40,553

## This Week @ FBC

**Monday, 8/18:** 6:15 am—Men's Monday AM Bible Study, rm 104  
7:00 pm—Parents of Addicted Loved Ones, rm 104

**Tuesday, 8/19:** 7:00 pm—Neurodivergent Bible Study, rm 104

**Wednesday, 8/20:** 9:00 am—Seniors Brunch Group, in the Quad  
5:30 pm—Youth Music/Band Practice, rm 207  
6:30 pm—Youth Group, rm 207  
6:30 pm—FBC Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, 8/21:** 6:30 pm—Worship Team Vocal Rehearsal  
6:45 pm—Worship Band Rehearsal  
7:00 pm—GriefShare, rm 104

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## August 17, 2025

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info on all our ministries:  
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**Sunday Morning Worship Services**  
9:30 am  
11:00 am

## For Our Guests . . .

**Welcome** to First Baptist Church! We are so glad you have joined us this morning.

**Guests . .** If you would like to receive information on FBC and any of its ministries, please stop by the Connections Center located in the main Lobby.

**Also, please share prayer or praises** in the space provided on one of the orange Communication Cards located in the seat pockets. Let us know how we can help you!

## Sermon Guide

### Unshakeable Roots-Colossians 2:6-7: "Who is God?"

#### Psalm 145

August 17, 2025 Pastor John Heston

\_\_\_\_\_ shapes how we live, face challenges and address our sins.

A \_\_\_\_\_ of God helps us face life's challenges.


#### Four key truths about God with significant impact on our lives.

God is \_\_\_\_\_ - so we do not have to be in \_\_\_\_\_.

God is \_\_\_\_\_ - so we do not have to \_\_\_\_\_.

God is \_\_\_\_\_ - so we do not have to look \_\_\_\_\_.

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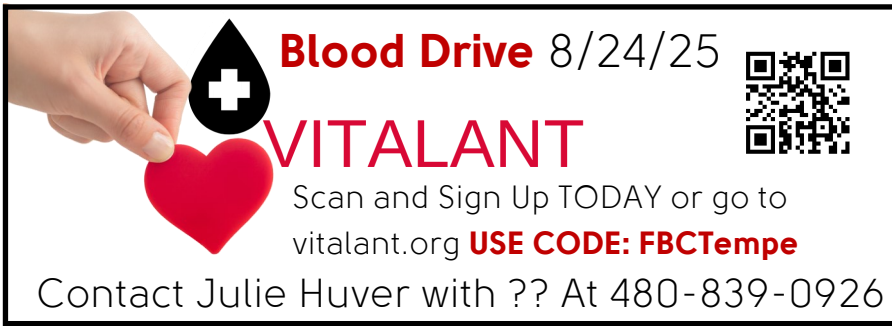
- **Sunday Lunch:** **8/17** Teriyaki Chicken **8/24** No Lunch
- **Young Adult Group:** **NOW MEETING at FBC** upstairs in room 217. Young Adults 18-30, singles or couples, meets every other Tuesday evening at **7:30 pm**, Contact Mike McCall for info: mayhmccall@gmail.com **Next meeting: 8/26**
- **Young Family Group:** Every other Wednesday. Contact Pastor Anthony (awhitlatch@fbc-tempe.org) **Next Meeting: 8/27**
- **FBC Mid-Week Youth:** (**7th-12th grade**), Wed. at 5:30 pm
- **Seniors Ministry:** **BRUNCH Wednesday, Aug. 20, 9 am.**  
**Bring \$5 and enjoy a good BRUNCH and great fellowship!**
- **Men's Fall Retreat:** **September 5-7.** Strawberry Pines in Strawberry, AZ. **\$120** includes cabin & meals.  
**Space is limited.** **Register Here** 
- **Women's Fall Bible Studies** begin on August 26 & 28  
Tuesday Mornings: 9:30-11:30 am/Thursday Evenings: 6:30—8 pm  
Both groups will be studying Ben Joseph's book, "Conquering the Christian Rat Race"- How to be an impactful Christian. Cost is \$11.  
You can sign up at the Women's Ministry Table.
- **NEW BIBLE STUDY CLASS:** Need a place to belong? Bible study for neurodivergent adults, ADHD, autism, etc. Tuesday nights starting August 19 at 7:00 pm in room 104. We will be using the book, "Stuck" by Jennie Allen.



#### NEW SERMON SERIES AND COORDINATING CLASSES

**August 17-October 5**

See Insert for details



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**Sunday Sermon Series 8/17: Who Is God?**

**8/24: Is Jesus God?**

**8/31: How Do I Relate to the Holy Spirit?**

**9/7: How Does Salvation Work?**

**9/14: Does Communion & Baptism Matter?**

**9/21: How Do I Walk with God Daily?**

**9/28: What is Church For?**

**10/5: How Does God View Money?**



**Going Deeper...**

**Unshakable Roots Q & A Classes**— **Sundays** in room 118 at 11am and during lunch. Hosted by Pastor Anthony and Pastor John. Dealing with topics of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **8/17, 8/24, 8/31**

**World Religions Class**— **Wednesday nights** in September in room 105. 6:30-8pm. Hosted by Pastor John. **Begins September 3.**

**Foundations of our Faith** "Important beliefs and stories every believer should know." - **Sunday nights** from 5—6:30pm in room 104. **Begins 9/14** Led by Rick Brennan. This class will go through the fall and spring.

**Evangelism Training & Outreach**—**Saturday, September 20** at 9am in room 105. Led by Pastor John.

**Baptism Class**—**Sunday, September 21** at 11am in room 118. Led by Pastor Anthony.

**Rooted Class**—**Sundays**, for 7 weeks, **beginning October 5** at 9:30am in room 118. Led by Elijah Hernandez.

**Spiritual Gifts Discovery Workshop**—**Wednesdays** in room 105 from 6:30—8pm. **10/15 & 10/22.** Led by Pastor John.

# KID CITY

**(Birth through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**Spiritual Growth Opportunities**

**Sunday's 9:30 & 11:00am**

**Today** your son/daughter will learn about:

**Preschool through Kindergarten**

Jesus Obeys His Parents

(2 Kings 6:8-17)

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 75:1

"Our God, we thank you for being so near to us! Everyone celebrates your wonderful deed."

**1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Creation: Days and Kinds

(Genesis 1:1-19)

**Memory Verse:** Genesis 1:1 "because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."

Our goal is to partner with parents in teaching children to see and experience the world through the lenses of our beliefs.

Our desire is for them to have a biblical worldview instead of a secular worldview. Our worldview influences everything in our lives. We want our children to know

that God's Word is the foundation for our lives and is the standard we use to judge every thought and action.

Our Bible is perfect and true. If we use it as our foundation, it will guide us and change our lives.