

OPEN HEAVEN 24 MARCH 2025 DEVOTIONAL

TOPIC: CONSTANT vs VARIABLES III

MEMORISE

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

James 1:17

READ: Genesis 8:22

22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

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As conclude my discussion on constants and variables, I will attempt to describe them as a mathematician. In mathematics, constants are numbers or quantities that remain at a fixed value throughout a given discussion, while variables are unstable and are dependent on other factors. God is

the only consistent constant throughout eternity, and with Him, there is no variableness or shadow of turning (James 1:17).

Having discussed His word as one of His constant qualities yesterday, I will identify and explore three more absolute constants about Him, and these are: His principles, His love, and His mercy.

God's principles are His ways of doing things. and they are constant. They are His standards, and they can never change. One of God's principles for marriage is that it is honourable unto all, and the bed should be undefiled before marriage (Hebrews 13:4). If He says that people should get married before they have sex, that principle remains, it will not change because the world has changed or because government laws have changed to accommodate immorality. God's principles remain firm and constant now and always.

Another principle of marriage is that it is between a man and a woman, and from the first couple and throughout the bible, we see God maintain this standard. God's principle is that a man should leave his father and mother and cleave to his wife (Genesis 2:24). Likewise, God's principle of sowing and reaping remains constant.

Anyone who applies this principle will reap its harvest. God has principles for every aspect of life, and anyone who wants to enjoy His full blessings must learn to live by His principles. His foundation is sure, but you must depart from iniquity to partake of His blessings (2 Timothy 2:19).

God's mercy and steadfast love are constant.

For example, because of His constant love and mercy towards man, He does not want anyone to perish (1 Timothy 2:4). God's love for you is constant (1 Corinthians 13:8). His steadfast love never ceases, and His mercies never come to an end – they are new every morning (Lamentations 3:22-23). If you experienced an overload of mercy yesterday, expect a fresh dose today because God gives new mercies every morning – He daily loads His beloved with benefits (Psalm 68:19).

Beloved, God is an absolute constant and you can totally rely on Him. Trust Him with all your heart, and He will be an anchor for your soul in the midst of life's uncertainties (Hebrews 6:19).

KEY POINT

Everything may fail and change, but God's principles and steadfast love stand sure.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

1 Samuel 8-12

HYMN 5: BLESSED ASSURANCE

OPEN HEAVEN 24 MARCH 2025 COMMENTARY

Today's devotional offers a profound reflection on the unchanging nature of God, drawing a parallel between mathematical constants and the divine attributes of God. Let's break it down.

1. Memorise: James 1:17

The verse states, "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." This foundational truth reminds us that God is immutable – He does not change. His nature, character, and promises remain constant, unlike the shifting circumstances of our lives. This verse anchors the devotional, emphasizing that God is the ultimate "constant" in a world filled with variables.

2. Bible Reading: Genesis 8:22

This verse highlights God's faithfulness in maintaining the natural order: "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease." Here, God establishes a constant rhythm in creation, reflecting His unchanging nature. Just as the seasons and cycles of life are dependable, so is God's faithfulness.

3. God as the Ultimate Constant

The Open Heaven devotional for today uses the analogy of mathematical constants to illustrate God's unchanging nature. In a world where variables—circumstances, emotions, relationships, and even societal norms—are unstable, God remains the same. This truth is a source of immense comfort and stability for believers. No matter what changes around us, we can rely on God's unchanging character, promises, and principles.

4. God's Principles Are Constant

The devotional for today identifies God's principles as one of His unchanging attributes. These principles are His standards for life, rooted in His holiness and wisdom. For example, the principles of marriage—honor, fidelity, and the union of a man and a woman – are unchanging, regardless of cultural shifts or societal pressures. This challenges believers to align their lives with God's standards, even when it contradicts the world's values. Living by God's principles ensures that we walk in His blessings and avoid the consequences of disobedience (2 Timothy 2:19).

5. God's Love and Mercy Are Constant

The devotional emphasizes that God's love and mercy are unwavering. His love is not conditional or fleeting; it is steadfast and eternal (1 Corinthians 13:8). His mercies are new every morning (Lamentations 3:22-23), meaning that no matter how we fail or fall short, God's compassion and forgiveness are always available to us. This is a powerful reminder of His grace, which sustains us daily.

The Open Heaven for today concludes with an exhortation to trust in God's constancy. In a world filled with uncertainties, God is our anchor (Hebrews 6:19). We are encouraged to rely on Him completely,

knowing that He will never fail us. This trust is not passive but active—it involves living by His principles, embracing His love, and receiving His mercy daily.

6. Practical Takeaways

1. Anchor Your Life in God's Unchanging Nature

When life feels unstable, remind yourself of God's constancy. Meditate on Scriptures like James 1:17 and Hebrews 13:8 ("Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever"). Let these truths ground you in faith.

2. Align Your Life with God's Principles

Evaluate your choices and actions in light of God's unchanging standards. Are you living in accordance with His Word, or are you being swayed by cultural trends? Commit to living a life that honors Him, even when it's difficult.

3. Receive His Love and Mercy Daily

No matter what you've done or what you're facing, God's love and mercy are available to you. Start each day by acknowledging His new mercies and thanking Him for His steadfast love.

4. Be a Reflection of God's Constancy

As a Christian, strive to reflect God's unchanging nature in your relationships and interactions. Be a person of integrity, faithfulness, and love, pointing others to the constancy of God.

Conclusion

Today's devotional beautifully reminds us that God is the only true constant in a world of variables. His principles, love, and mercy are unchanging, providing a firm foundation for our lives. As we trust in His constancy, we can navigate life's uncertainties with confidence and peace. Let this truth inspire you to live a life rooted in His Word, guided by His principles, and sustained by His love and mercy.

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