**None Like Him Reading Guide #7**

**Omnipresent: The God of Infinite Place**

*A body is a set of limits. Our height determines the limit of what we can see standing in a crowd. Our mass determines the limit of how much water we will displace when we step into a swimming pool. Genetics-or more properly, God-determines our arm-span and the size of our shoes. By tethering our spirits to a body, God decrees that we will be present where we are present, and nowhere else. Yet God who is spirit, is able to be everywhere fully present. – Jen Wilkin*

**1 Have you ever sent a text or email where the information shared would have best been shared face to face? What was the result?**

**2 God is omnipresent. What does that mean? In what ways do we try to mimic his omnipresence?**

**3 Read the following verses. Summarize each of these passages with one sentence.**

**1 Kings 8:27 –**

**Psalm 139:7-10 -**

**Isaiah 66:1 –**

**Jeremiah 23:23-24 –**

**Acts 17:27-28 –**

In the discussion of God’s omnipresence, theologians use two different words that are worthy of our attention. The first of these words is ***immanence***. This means that all of God is fully present in all places, past, present, and future. Simply put – there is no place, or time, where God is not. The second word is ***transcendence***. This means that God is fully present in his creation yet is distinct from it.

*Unlike us, God has no one-place limits on his ability to possess knowledge. Because God is omnipresent, he is able to be omniscient. Because he is fully present in all places, he has no boundaries of communication with his creatures – he can communicate freely at will with any or all of us in a way that even a global livestream can’t mimic. He can maintain an infinite number of relationships perfectly without Facebook or Twitter. He can perfectly protect those he loves. He can give and receive love with no boundaries whatsoever. For him, no barriers of physical distance have ever existed, no geographical boundaries prevent his influence or rule. – Wilkin*

**4 Is feeling distant from God always an indicator that something is “off” with your relationship?**

**5 The knowledge of God’s limitlessness presence in our lives can lead us to a couple of responses. One) It can lead us to be more vigilant about the sin in our lives. Two) It can awaken in us an awareness that God knows everything about us and stands ready to forgive. How does this information lead us to live?**

A person who understands the limitless presence of God leaves no allowance for a life of ***practical atheism*** – professing that an omnipresent God exists and then living as if he does not. – Wilkin

**6 The statement above is tough. How is practical atheism played out in our world today? Are there areas in your life where this is evident?**

**7 This would be a suitable time to put the reading guide to the side – grab your Bible and read, reflect, and pray Psalm 23. What do you believe the Lord is wanting you to know and do?**

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**Bonus Question – not for the faint of heart.**

**Even in hell, God is fully present. True/False**