**God Without Limits**

Talk 6: Omnipresent

**Introduction**

**God is the all-present Lord**

Psalm 139

1. *Height and depth (v8)*
2. *East and west (vv9-10)*
3. *Darkness and light (vv11-16)*

Jeremiah 8:27 “But will God really dwell on earth? The heavens, even the highest heaven, cannot contain you. How much less this temple I have built! (NIV 2011)

**Implications**

1. *God is all-present when we sin*

*“Living becomes an awesome business when you realise that you spend every moment of your life in the sight and company of an omniscient, omnipresent Creator.” J I Packer, Knowing God, p95*

*”We pretend to believe [God] to be present everywhere, and yet many live as if he were present nowhere.” Stephen Charnock*

*“There is absolutely no place for you to flee to. Do you want to flee from him? Rather flee to him.” Augustine, Expositions on the Psalms, Ps. 74*

Romans 8:35-39

1. *God is all-present in our suffering*

Psalm 23

1. *God is all-present when we pray*
2. *God is all-present and we are not*

*“So many of our technological advances have targeted diminishing the limits of the one-place boundary on humankind.” Jen Wilkin, None Like Him, p98*

*“When we reach for omnipresence ourselves, we guarantee that we will be fully present nowhere, spread thin, people of divided attentions, affections, efforts, and loyalties.” Jen Wilkin, None Like Him, p104*

**Reflection questions**

1. Are there any times or places that you live as a ’practical atheist’, forgetting that God is all-present in that moment?

2. When are you tempted to push beyond your God-given limits? Are there any ways you would like to change your thinking or habits in light of tonight’s teaching?

**Recommended Resources**

* *None Like Him,* Jen Wilkin (Crossway Books)
* *12 Ways Your Phone is Changing Your,* Tony Reinke (Crossway Books)
* *12 Things God Can’t Do,* Nick Tucker (The Good Book Company)
* *Student Weekender teaching on technology – ask Joe for the link*