

# Our Timeless God

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According to Einstein's general theory of relativity time and space are mutable. They change based on the perspective of the observer. Time can be faster or slower depending on the position and the movement of the observer. If this is true, then what does this say about God's relationship with time? We must observe the passage of time from the perspective of God. God is omnipresent. If an omnipresent God is observing time, and the rate of the passage of time is based on His position and movement, we can draw the conclusion that because God is everywhere for him time has no movement. It is ridiculous for us as men to try to fit God into the box that we call time. Einstein's general theory of relativity gives credence to the Christian belief that God is out of time.

Newton proposed that time was absolute. This would mean that a second on earth is equal to a second on the moon. A second on earth is equal to a second on the farthest reaches of the galaxy. A second for someone traveling 65 on the interstate is the same as a second for a sound wave traveling through the cosmos. Einstein realized that this theory of time was inaccurate and proposed his theory of special relativity. The theory of special relativity says that time moves slower the faster you go. This theory has been proven, with experimental testing. One atomic clock was kept on earth, while another atomic clock was placed in an aircraft orbiting the earth at extreme speeds. After the plane landed the clocks were compared. It was found that the time displayed on the clock that was on the plane was now behind the time that was shown on the control clock.

Einstein theorized that the sum of the speed of an individual moving through space and the speed of that individual moving through time must equal the

speed of light. Light does not age; it is not bound by time.

If God is omnipresent then He has no movement through space. He then embodies all time. He can't age because his movement through time is infinite. He has no beginning and no ending because he is time. When John describes Jesus as the true Light, he may not have understood all of the scientific implications of his words, but the Spirit that inspired him did. God can see the end from the beginning, because time has no effect on Him.

Hebrews 13:8 – Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

James 1:17 – Every good and perfect gift is from above and, and comes down from the father of lights, with whom is no variableness neither shadow of turning.

**God is the father of lights. He is the source of all energy. Visible light, infrared light, ultraviolet light, radio waves, magnetism and all the other ranges of electromagnetic waves emanate from God. This is where faith and science diverge.**

Science can tell us how this energy behaves. It can tell us what it is. It can even tell us how to make it appear, but it cannot tell us where it originally came from. Why do we have this energy in the world? If you turn on a light bulb, light waves come shooting out, but why do we have light waves? Why when we heat up a strip of tungsten, are light and heat produced? This is the Achilles heel of the big bang theory.

The bible tells us where this energy comes from. It would make sense then that Einstein would postulate that light does not age. If God has no age, and is timeless, then the energy that emanates from him would be timeless too.

Light is not the only thing of God that is without age. His word is timeless. Matthew 24:35 says that Heaven and earth shall pass away but my words

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shall not pass away. John 1:1 says in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Psalms 119:89 tells us that the Word of the Lord is forever settled in heaven.

It is a comforting thought to know that there are things in the world that are not subject to the march of the clock. It gives us hope. Because God is eternal, I have the hope of eternity! John 6:58 tells us that if we eat of the bread of life we will have eternal life. If we internalize the word, He will eternalize our souls. If we have Jesus inside of us we become the light of the world, and that light will go on forever, or to put it another way: only what we do for Christ will last. ★

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