

Date: January 3, 2021
Message: "ULTIMATE SECURITY IN OUR UNCHANGING GOD"
Text: Selected Scriptures
Speaker: Pastor Steve Balvanz

**"Time is filled with swift transition, naught of earth unmoved can stand...
Build your hopes on things eternal, hold to God's unchanging hand."**

The immutability of God means that God does not change.

All that God is, He has always been, and all that He has been and is, He will forever be.

I. God does not change in His _____

Mal. 3:6; Exod. 3:14; Psa. 102:25-27

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II. God does not change in His _____

Jer. 31:3; Psa. 100:5

"He cannot change for the better for He is already perfect; and being perfect, He cannot change for the worse." (Arthur W. Pink)

III. God does not change in His _____

Psa. 119:89, 151-152; Isa. 40:7-8

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1. Praise God that He is not like _____

Heb. 13:8; 2 Tim. 2:13; Mal. 3:6

2. Rejoice that God can change _____ for the better

2 Cor. 5:17; Phil. 1:6

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3. Believe the Word and Promises of _____

Rom. 8:38-39; 1 Jn. 1:9; Heb. 13:5; Phil. 1:6; Rom. 8:28

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