

Connect: The Eternity of God

Key Thought:

God exists outside of time.

Key Verse:

Psalm 90:2 “From everlasting to everlasting, thou art God”

God does not exist in time. God exists in eternity and time exists in God. “Time” as we know it marks the beginning of created existence, but since God never “began” to exist time is not applicable to Him. Tozer says, “God lives in an everlasting now, He has no past and no future.” (p. 39) For us, time is a succession of events. A chronological order. Seconds, minutes, hours, days, weeks, months, years, etc. Something happens before and after an event. With God, it is all happening now. He isn't restricted to an order of events.

Think of it this way. Imagine being in the middle of an ocean in a small boat. The water stretches beyond your sight in all directions and seems to go on forever. The water represents eternity, no beginning and no end. The boat you are in represents “time” as we know it, from the point God created the world to the time the world ends. God is at the beginning and end of “time” simultaneously. “For Him everything that will happen has already happened.” p.40

If everything that ever will happen has already happened in God's eyes what comfort can we as Christians take from that? Our future is already known by God. We can trust Him to give us the grace and strength for whatever will come our way and we do not need to fear the future even when things seem to be so crazy in the world today.

A.W. Tozer, *The Knowledge of the Holy*