

A cosmic background featuring a large spiral galaxy in the center, a smaller galaxy to the right, and several bright stars with diffraction patterns. The overall color palette is dark with highlights of blue, white, and orange.

GOD

**Nature &
perfections**

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GOD'S

IMMUTABILITY

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A. Introduction



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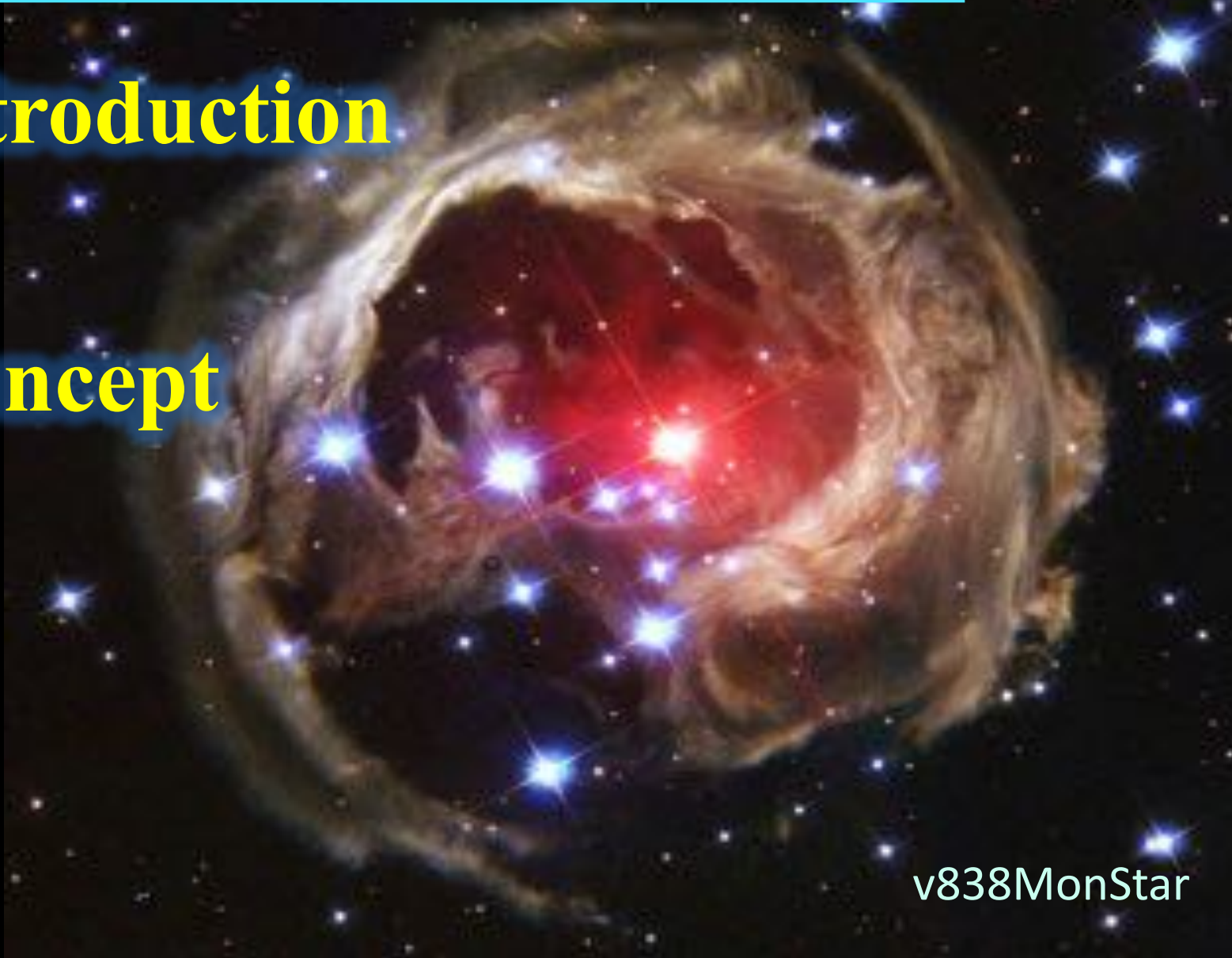
MISCONCEPTIONS

- 1. God changes plan as needed**
- 2. After Fall salvation initiated**
- 3. Immutability = immobility**
- 4. Open Theism**
- 5. Sovereign plan vs. responsibility**

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**GOD DOES
NOT...**

Andromeda

**Change in His
Essence &
Purposes**

IMMUTABILITY

1. Unchanging in His Essence

Ps 102:26-27 “Even they will perish,
but Thou dost **endure**; And all of
them will wear out like a garment;
Like clothing Thou wilt change
them, and they will be changed.
“But Thou art the **same**, And Thy
years will not come to an end.

Mal 3:6 “For I, the Lord, **do not**
change; therefore you, O sons of
Jacob, are not consumed.

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- 1. Unchanging in His Essence**
- 2. Unchanging in His Perfections**

Ps 104:31 Let the **glory** of the
LORD endure **forever**; ...

Jas 1:17 ... the Father of lights,
with whom there is **no**
variation, or shifting
shadow.

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- 1. Unchanging in His Essence**
- 2. Unchanging in His Perfections**
- 3. Unchanging in His Decrees**

**Ps 33:11 The counsel of the
LORD stands forever, The
plans of His heart from
generation to generation.**

**Prov 19:21 Many are the plans in
a man's heart, But the counsel
of the Lord, it will stand.**

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- 2. Unchanging in His Perfections**
- 3. Unchanging in His Decrees**
- 4. Unchanging in His Purposes**

**Ps 110:4 The Lord has sworn and
will not change His mind, ...**

**Heb 6:17... the unchangeableness
of His purpose, ...**

IMMUTABILITY

- 1. Unchanging in His Essence**
- 2. Unchanging in His Perfections**
- 3. Unchanging in His Decrees**
- 4. Unchanging in His Purposes**
- 5. Never inconsistent**
- 6. Never growing**

**Heb 13:8 Jesus Christ is the
same yesterday and today,
yes and forever.**

ALL OTHERS

➤ Heavens

➤ Earth

➤ Sinners

➤ Angels

➤ Believers

All is unstable

Only God is Stable

Jupiter &
Ganymede



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God Changing???

- Creation
- Repenting



Gen 6:6-7 The Lord was **sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was **grieved** in His heart. 7 The Lord said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, ...; for I am **sorry** that I have made them.”**

1Sam 15:11 “I regret that I have made Saul king, for he has turned back from following Me and has not carried out My commands.” And Samuel was distressed and cried out to the Lord all night.

RESOLUTION

➤ **Prioritize clear passages**

➤ **Apparent repentance -**

Num 23:19, 1Sam15:29




God Changing???

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- Changing directions



**Ex 32:14 So the Lord changed His
mind about the harm which He
said He would do to His people.**

RESOLUTION

- **Prioritize clear passages**
 - **Apparent repentance -**
Num 23:19, 1Sam15:29
 - **Anthropomorphic**
changes
 - **Conditional**
situations - **Jonah 3:4, 10**
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Jer 18:7-10 “At **one moment** I might speak concerning a nation or concerning a kingdom to uproot, to pull down, or to destroy it; **8 if** that nation against which I have spoken turns from its evil, I will **relent** concerning the calamity I planned to bring on it. **9** “Or at another moment I might speak concerning a nation or concerning a kingdom to build up or to plant it; **10 if** it does evil in My sight by not obeying My voice, then I **will think better** of the good with which I had promised to bless it.

God Changing???

- Creation
 - Repenting
 - Changing directions
 - Incarnation - Phil 2:6-7
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Phil 2:6-7 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, **7** but **emptied Himself,** **taking the form** of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.

God Changing???

- Creation
 - Repenting
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 - Incarnation - Phil 2:6-7
 - Change after conversion
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APPLICATIONS

- **Decrees will never change**
- **Science is possible**
- **Love never reversed**
- **Believer eternally secure**
- **Obedience part of plan**
- **Perseverance needed**

**We are
eternally
secure in
His plan!!**

