I John 4:7-8 (NIV) Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. [8] Whoever does not love does not know God, because GOD IS LOVE.

Isaiah 46:9-10 (NIV) Remember the former things, those of long ago; <u>I am God</u>, and there is no other; <u>I am God</u>, and THERE IS NONE LIKE ME. [10] I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.

*** From: Taste and See by J. Piper - "The truth that God is God implies that God is who he is in ALL his glorious attributes and self-sufficiency. But the truth that God is love implies that all of this glory is moving our way for our everlasting enjoyment." Piper goes on to explain that these two truths about God are a complete contrast from our human perspective. When we say God is Love we are thrilled by His simplicity. We contrast that with God is God which is complex beyond our understanding. God is love makes God accessible at any time. God is God makes us wonder if we can ever know Him. The fact that God is Love causes us to approach Him as a child would his dearly loved father. While the truth that God is God makes us fall on our faces in awe and wonder. (pg. 21)

PRAYER: Lord, God thank you that You are the simple and complex, accessible and unapproachable all at the same time. Thank You that I will never be able to know all there is to know about You. Thank You for giving me the privilege of coming into Your awe inspiring presence.

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