





### *How unique is our understanding of God?*

- ❖ When someone says "Don't Christians, Muslims, and Jews all worship the same god?" – what do we say?
- ❖ What do these three religions share in their understanding of God? Where do they differ?
- ❖ Given human tendency toward religious wars, what is the basis for true peace and fellowship?
  - How are we to tell others of God? See 1 Peter 3:14-16

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### *What do these portraits tell us?*

- ❖ Some classical ideas about God
  - Immutable -- unchanging
  - Impassible – untouched
  - Omniscient – all-knowing
  - Omnipotent – all-powerful
- ❖ What is true divinity?
  - Where do we begin – with Aristotle's First Mover or with the God of the Bible?

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### *The Most-Moved Mover (Clark Pinnock)*

- ❖ Overcoming a pagan inheritance
- ❖ God is inherently relational
  - God's passion is to be love and be loved (Kierkegaard)
- ❖ God risks; he is vulnerable
- ❖ God works within time – he remembers the past, interacts with the present, and anticipates the future
  - Only a partly settled future
- ❖ What does this view of God give up?

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