



LESSON 6: KNOWING GOD

How many people do you know? 300? 2,000? And out of all those people, who are celebrities? Do you know a politician or a famous athlete? Many dream of someday greeting a movie star.

Another question: How many important people know you? The most famous and important Person of the universe knows you very well and desires that you know Him as well. The moment has come for you to intimately grow in His knowledge. Let that become the deepest desire of your soul!

God Saved Me So that I Can Know Him

Jesus said, "...whoever believes has eternal life" (John 6:47). It's important to realize that He was not only talking about "a time without end". Jesus not only defined eternal life based on a clock or a calendar... but also on relationship.

- Carefully read John 17:3. What is eternal life according to Jesus?
- Now that you are a believer, what does God want you to be experiencing every day, forever?

We usually refer to knowing someone as to "have information about a person and perhaps having some type of relationship". But in the Bible, the word "to know" has deeper implications.

Read Matthew 1:24-25 and Genesis 4:1. "To know" refers to a special intimacy in a marriage relationship. Both references suggest that "to know God" is something deep and significant.

- What is God's desire when He says that "eternal life is to know Him"?
 - a) That you may have more information about God. Yes No
 - b) An intimate and special relationship between you and God. Yes No

Only the person who has received Jesus as Savior can truly know God!

God Commands Me to Know Him

- Read Hosea 13:4. What do you think this is?
 - An advice
 - An option
 - A command
- Read Jeremiah 9:23-24. What things are not so important?
- What does God want me to consider important?
- Read Hosea 6:6. What does God desire?
- Read Philippians 3:7-8. What can we learn from the apostle Paul?

Can I Know God?

- Read 1 John 5:20. What did Jesus Christ come for?

What Will Help me Know God?

First of all, you must have the attitude that we see in Psalm 42:1-2.

1. Time: Every relationship grows when we devote time to it. Plan moments to be alone with God, to know Him. Do it frequently and in a quiet place.

2. Prayer: We need to express to Him that we want to know Him more and be close with Him.

3. The Bible: This is not a time to do a Bible study. It's a time to ask Him to talk to us through His Word and to allow Him to captivate our hearts.

How do I know I am Growing Closer to Him?

- Read Psalm 27:4. What should be the most passionate desire of your heart?
- Read 1 John 2:3. What will be the external evidence of my knowledge of God?

To know God intimately is the most wonderful experience of all eternity! Make this commitment today:

I, _____, make a commitment to seek to grow daily in knowing my God, nurturing an intimacy with Him. I will fight against all obstacles that stand in my way to know the most important person of the universe: Jesus Christ.

Date _____

Signature _____



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