

1. Getting to Know God

FOLLOWING JESUS BIBLE STUDY SERIES

Introduction

Welcome to our *following Jesus* journey. To kick off our series, we want to make sure we have the right picture of God. After all, we can't follow Him if we don't know Him properly. So let's get to know Him. Please pray now and ask God to help you to truly know Him in this study.

Question: Is there a person in your life that you know really well? What has made that possible?

1. A Knowledge of God

Let's see what the Bible has to say first about understanding God:

- a. Read Is 55:8-9. How are God's ways compared to ours?

- b. Read Job 11:7. Is it possible to know God completely? Why is that a good thing?

- c. Read 1 Cor 2:7-8. How is understanding God described here?

Knowing everything about God isn't humanly possible for us. Now that puts us at a distance from Him. We'll come close to Him shortly. But before that, let's consider what characteristics make Him God?

2. The Makeup of God

Consider these three qualities that make God who He really is.

- a. Read Deut 32:27 & Rev 4:8. What quality of God do we see here?

- b. Read Gen 1:1 & Rev 4:11. What quality of God do we see here?

- c. Read Acts 4:12 & Rev 5:9. What quality of God do we see here?

Across these different Bible verses, we see that what truly makes our God real is that He's eternal, He's our Creator, and He's our Savior. What a wonderful God we serve. Thank God for being these three things for a few moments now.

3. Knowing God

Consider these three qualities that make God, God.

- a. Read John 17:3. What does it really mean to have eternal life? How can you do this in your own life?

- b. Read 1 Cor 8:2-3. What is more important than knowing everything?

- c. Read Mat 22:37-28. What parts of life can you love God with?

Discussion Questions

- How is it possible to know God but not know everything about Him?
- Are any of God's three qualities more important than the others?
- How can you start to know God more in your life?

Conclusion

God is all powerful, eternal and creative. There's no one like our God. And the most amazing thing is, this big God, wants to get to know you. He's longing to become close with us! This is why following Jesus is so important. It's because God wants to know you personally and intimately.

Appeal

Would you like to commit to knowing God more in your life? Bow your head and let Him know that now.