(P 61) Knowing God: (1-26 fill-in the blanks)

John 17:1-3-These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him **power** over all flesh, that he should

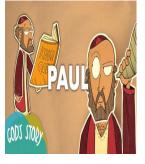


give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. And this is life <u>eternal</u>, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus <u>Christ</u>, whom thou hast sent.

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2 -this is life et	_that they might know
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The pressing priority of pursuing the knowledge of God: to know Him by intimate fellowship, as well as correct information. Paul told the Philippians, after reviewing his pedigree and credentials, that the excellency of the knowledge of God exceeds all other pursuits and accomplishments. Philip. 3:7, 8-But what things

were **gain** to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but **loss** for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may **win** Christ,



- **4**-what things were ga______to me,
- **5**-all things, but **lo____**

6-that I may **w**i__

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		Christ

While it is true that we cannot know everything about God, we can know some things. God **reveals** some things about Himself.

(1) As a stimulus to your



faith, you cannot grow in the knowledge of Him without growing in your love and **trust** for Him.

(2) For the more we comprehend of Who He is and His love, mercy, grace, etc., the more our hearts will be lifted up to praise, worship, and serve Him.
(3) As we better understand the God we serve, we will ultimately have a clearer picture of what we are to be. Since He is our Example and He entreats us to be like Him, how much we need to <u>know</u> Him and His nature, spirit, and person.

7-God re_	some things 8 -Love a	nd
tr	_for Him 9 -we need to kn ł	nim

Godhead (Trinity, Colossians 2:9) This is the highest science, the loftiest speculation, the mightiest philosophy, which can ever engage the attention of a child of God. It is the name, the nature, the person, the work, the doings, and the existence of the great God whom He calls his Father." The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are three but one(in the Godhead)(Colossians 2:9).



To know God is:

(1) More than an awareness that He exists.

(2) More than having some information on Him, such as He is the Creator orf He is mighty.

(3) More than religion or <u>emotion</u>. If our religious experiences and deep emotions about God do not result in a greater hunger and desire to know Him more, do we really know Him?

Jeremiah 9:23-24-Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his might, let not the rich man glory in his <u>riches</u>: But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth (beyond feelings), me, that I am the Lord which exercise loving kindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I <u>delight</u>, saith the Lord.

- 10-More than having some inf____
- **11**-More than religion or **em**_

12- let not the rich man glory in his

- ri____
- 13-for in these things I de



(**P 62**) Learning of God is the highest priority of man, and it is the most meaningful and authentic pursuit man can be involved in. Jesus said it is the <u>**Real**</u> Life. John 17:3-And this is life eternal, that they might



<u>know</u> thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. To really know God is to live life the way it was meant to be <u>**lived**</u>. It is also the most beneficial **<u>pursuit</u>**. Look at the benefits:

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- 15-that they might kn_____
- **16**–the way it was meant to be li_____
- 17-the most beneficial pur_____

(1) Strength of character is to do the right thing because they have known the nature of God.

(2) Purpose to make the right choice after having the knowledge of His ways.

(3) Spiritual Supply and equipping for the task taught. 2 Peter 1:2-3-Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, according as his divine

power hath given unto <u>us</u> all things that pertain unto life and godliness.

(4) Wisdom to apply God's word & principles daily-Eph 1:17 Proverbs 9:10-The fear of the Lord is the **beginning** of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.



(5) Spiritual Fruit-Colossians 1:9, 10-Desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; That ye

might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in <u>every</u> good work, and increasing in the knowledge of **God**;



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Even though we cannot know God ultimately, we can know Him **intimately**.

Christ-Directed Life

- Love • Joy
- Peace
- Patience
 - Kindness
 - Goodness
 - Faithfulness

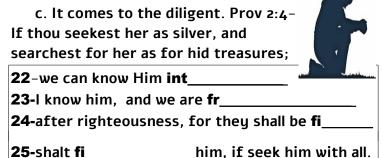
- Life is Christ-centered
- Empowered by Holy Spirit
- Introduces others to Christ
- Has effective prayer life
- Understands God's Word
- Trusts God
- Obeys God

(1) "I know of them or have heard of them," means I don't have a personal and close relationship with them. Is that how we want to know God?-Just heard of Him. No, we want to answer the same as we would a close friend, "Yes, I know him, and we are <u>friends</u>."

(2) It may seem a difficult challenge at times, because the pursuit does not come naturally and not without effort.

a. It comes to the hungry. Matthew 5:6-Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be <u>filled.</u>

b.lt comes to the serious. Deuteronomy 4:29-But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt <u>find</u> him, if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.



1. Get hungry, for God only feeds hungry people. Get around someone that feasts on God, preaches and lives His word. 2. Make sure of your relationship. You must come to Him in salvation before the relationship can go any farther. 3. If you would know God, learn His ways. 4. It will take some <u>time</u>. We never get to know anyone without spending time with them. Psalm 46:10-Be still, and

know that I am God. We are geared to go, go, go and not wait, wait, wait......

26-What is necessary to get to know someone? ti_____



(P 63) Sovereignty of God:

(1-31 fill-in the blanks)

Supremacy or pre-eminence in excellence, efficacy, power, domination,

rank, authority, rule; One who has supremacy above, and authority over others-This is frequently applied to Deity over His creation.

Let's start our discussion with a bible question: Exodus 5:2-And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go. God has the right and authority to **<u>rule</u>** His creation by virtue of being:

1-God has the right and authority to **ru**_

I-<u>The Creator-divine ownership</u>:

A-Psalm 24:1-The earth is the **Lord's**, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.



When God ordains,

He sustains

B-1 Chron. 29:11-12-Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty:

for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the **kingdom**, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all.

C-Colossians 1:16-For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and **invisible**, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

2- The earth is the L	l	3- Thine is the
ki	4 -visible and in	

II-<u>Active Participation in His kingdom:</u>

A-Daniel 2:20,21 -Daniel answered and said, Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his: And he changeth the **times** and the seasons: he removeth



kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth **wisdom** unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

All Bow to God!

B-Daniel 4:34-37-And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I



blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou? At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established.

5-changeth the ti____6-he giveth wi___unto the wise

A-Proverbs 16:4-The Lord hath made all things for **himself**: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.



of him

B-Ephesians 1:11-In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the **purpose** of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

7-made all things for **hi_____**

8-according to the **pur**_____

III-<u>Unlimited Power to do as He Pleases:</u>

Job 42:2-I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from **thee**. Psalm 115:3-But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

C-Romans 9:20-23-Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the

potter power over the **clay**, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of



wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore **prepared** unto glory,

9-no thought can be with holden from **th**_____

10-power over the cl_____**11**-afore pre

The Omnipotence of God: Omnipotence means all

powerful, with the right to govern. God possesses the power to govern and maintain His domain.



I-Creation displays power beyond anything we can fathom.

A-His power is unlimited, and His means and methods are also unlimited. He created the **worlds** out of nothing.

B-It is effortless- God doesn't strain to get things done.

12-Omnipotence is all po_____

13-HE created the w_

(P 64) II-The Scope of His Power

is unlimited in Jesus Christ: Mat 28:18- And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in **<u>earth</u>**.



A-The universe – the earth – its inhabitants **B**-The laws of nature **C**-The enemy- Satan and his effects-sin **D**-Sickness

E-Death **14**-All power in heaven and in **e**_

(1)-<u>Accessing Omnipotence:</u>

He is able to save. Hebrews 7:25-Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for **them**.

Ephesians 3:17-20-That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is **able** to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or **think**, according to the power that worketh in **us**.

Isaiah 59:1-Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot **<u>save</u>**; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot **<u>hear</u>**:

Isaiah 63:1-Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel,

travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

Matthew 9:6-But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive **sins**, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy **bed**, and go unto thine house.



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(2)-<u>To Sanctify</u>:

1 Thessalonians:23-24-And the very God of peace sanctify you **wholly**; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved **blameless** unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that **calleth** you, who also will do it.



23-And the very God of peace sanctify you wh_____
24-spirit and soul and body be preserved bl_____
25-Faithful is He that ca_____you, who also will do it.

(3)-To Keep: Jude 1:24-Now unto him that is able to keep you from **falling**, and to present you **faultless** before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy. Phil 1:6-Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun **a** good work in you will **perform** it until the day of Jesus Christ:

2 Timothy 1:12 -For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to **keep** that which I have committed.



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Romans 8:38-39-For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 16:25-Now to Him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept **secret** since the world began.

A-To Heal: Romans 4:19-21-And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, He was able also to **perform**.

B-<u>To Resurrect from the dead:</u> **John 11:25-**Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:



_____since the world began.

31-That he had promised, He was able also to **per_____**.

(P 65) Incarnation-Jesus came to earth!

(1-42 fill-in the blanks)

Incarnate means in the flesh. God, who is Spirit, took a fleshly human body and became one of **us** to



redeem us. Purposes He would fulfil while in this body: John 1:14-The Word was made

flesh, & dwelt among us, (we beheld his glory,

the glory as of the only **<u>begotten</u>** of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

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Mat 5:17-Think not that I am come to destroy

the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to **fulfill.**

A. Dan 9:23, 25-Artaxerxes gave the commandment to restore and rebuild Jerusalem to Ezra in the month of Nissan in 454 B. C.



B. Jesus was crucified during the Passover Nissan, exactly 483 years or 69 weeks of years from Daniel's prophecy.

C. Isaiah 7:14-told that He would come by **virgin** birth.

D. Micah 5:2-told that He would be born in

<u>Bethlehem</u>.

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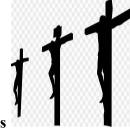
E. Isaiah and Moses told us He would be a **prophet**. Deuteronomy 18:15.

F. His betrayal was to be by a **friend**- foretold by the

Psalmist. Psalm 41:9.

G. Zechariah told us the price of the betrayal was 30 pieces of

silver, Zecariah 11:12,13, and the money would be used to buy the potters field.



H. His trial was predicted and His

silence and beatings were **<u>foretold</u>** with painful accuracy by Isaiah in chapters 50 and 53.

7- He would be a pr_

8- His betrayal to be by a f_

9-price of the betrayal was 30 pieces of sil_

10-His silence and beatings were **for**_

I. His death was carefully depicted that He would be crucified with **sinners** in Isaiah 53:12-His

hands and feet **pierced**, Psalms



22:16; His side pierced was foretold by Zecariah in 12:10; but that, miraculously not a bone would be **broken** by the psalmist in 34:20.

J. The story nor the prophesies end there. He would arise. Psalm 16:10-For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. Not only would He arise from the dead, but He would ascend back to the **Father.** Psa 68:18

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hands and feet p13 -not a bone would		one would be
b14 -He will ascend back to the F		

II. John 12:46-I am come a light into the **world**, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

A. We don't have to grope in darkness and confusion. Jesus has come to shed light on the path to heaven and the road that leads to eternal <u>life</u>.

B. John 3:16-21-For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth

in him should not **perish**, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not



<u>condemned</u>: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than

<u>light</u>, because their deeds were evil. For every one

that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be **reproved**.



But he that doeth truth cometh to the

light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

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18 -believeth on him is not con	
19 -men loved darkness rather than I	
20 -lest his deeds shou	ld be r

(P 66) III. Luke 5:32 says not to call righteous, but

sinners to **repent**.

A. After 400 years of no prophetical voice in **Israel**, there were some who were living the righteousness of faith. Consider Mary, Joseph,



Elizabeth, Zacharias, Anna, Simeon.

B. But His mission was to call sinners to repentance, and to turn from their sins to righteousness, and to find the truth in Jesus Christ. In finding Him, we find all we need to do is change from the sins of our **past** to a glorious new life.

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no prophetical voice in Is	23 -we
need to change from the sins of our p	

IV. John 12:47-If any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world.

A. His first mission to earth was one of mercy, not judgment. Thank God He came not to condemn the world, but that the world through

Him might be saved. John 3:17.

B. His mission was world-wide.



C. But if we fail to heed to His mission of mercy there is coming a

day in which He will judge the world. Woe to every man who has not the blood of **Christ** covering him.

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25 -through Him might be sa	
26 -His mission was world wi	27 -woe to

every man who has not the blood of **Ch**

V. John 10:10-The thief cometh not, but for to steal,

and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more and abundantly.



A. New life, spiritual life, and eternal life are given through the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. He came to give men life that will never have to end. B. It is not just an existence but abundant life is ours through the provisions of grace.

28-that they might have **li**

29-might have it more **ab**

30-that will never have to **e**

C. Eph 3:11-12:16-20-According to the eternal **purpose** which he purposed in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 3:12-In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the **faith** of him. Eph. 3:16-That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; Eph. 3:17-That



Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

Eph. 3:18-May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; Eph. 3:19-And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the **fulness** of God. Eph. 3:20-Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh. **31**-According to the eternal **pu 32**-confidence by the **f 33**-by his Spirit in the **i** man; **34**-grounded in **I 35**-the breadth, and length, and depth, and **h 36**-filled

with all the **fu** of God. **37**-able to do exceeding abundantly above **a**

D. Colossians 1:10-That ve

might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and

increasing in the **knowledge** of God; Col 1:11-Strengthened with **all** might, according to his



glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; Colossians 1:12-Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: Col.1:13-

Who hath delivered us from the **power** of darkness,

- and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:
- **Colossians 1:14-In whom we have** redemption through his **blood**, even the forgiveness of sins:
- **38**-increasing in the **kn** of God; **39**-Strengthened with **a** might **40**-the in of the saints in light **41**-delivered us from the **po** of darkness **42**-redemption through his **bl**

(P 67) Knowing God's Omniscience:

(1-40 fill-in the blanks)

Omniscience is all knowing and God's perfect knowledge of all things, both actual and potential means that there is absolutely **nothing** that He does not know. No information exists, nor any data anywhere, that is outside of His knowledge.



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___that God does not know

I-God's Knowledge is Comprehensive:

A-It is absolute in its perception and observation. Hebrews 4:13-Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the **eyes** of him.



B-So infinite is His knowledge that sparrows never fall without His taking notice; hairs of the head are numbered. That is complete knowledge. Matthew 10:29-30-Are not two **sparrows** sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. But the very **hairs** of your head are all **numbered**.

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C-It has a moral element: Proverbs 15:3-The eyes of the Lord are in every **place**, beholding the evil & the good.

D-It is not hampered by things that affect our recognition and comprehension. Psalm 139:12-Yea, the darkness hideth **<u>not</u>** from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are **<u>both</u>** alike to thee.

6 -The eyes of the Lord are in every	ol
7 -the darkness hideth n	from thee
8 -darkness and the light are bo	alike to thee.

E-He not only knows what is, but He knows what **<u>could</u>** have been.

F-His omniscience is revealed in worship-He can hear all His children at one time, sort out every voice, respond to each one individually,

and sometimes simultaneously. He can receive and enjoy the worship and praise of all His people at <u>one</u> time.

9-He knows what co	have been 10 -worship
and praise of all His people at o _	time.

II-<u>God's Knowledge is Inherent</u>:

A-He did not go to school nor was He instructed in what He

knows. He **knows** it innately or inherently . Isaiah 40:13-14-Who hath directed the Spirit of the Lord, or being his counsellor hath taught him? With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him, and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?



B-You can't **teach** God anything, nor surprise Him. He knows everything, even what's going to happen tomorrow.

C-He never forgets, so He never has to remember.

D-He does not look back in the **past** to remember, nor to the **present** to predict, He is always **everywhere** present, so all that is known, has been known, will be known, could be known, or has been



forgotten-GOD KNOWS! Psalm 147:5-Our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is **infinite**.

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III-His Knowledge is Personal:

A-Of our daily lives: Psalm 139:1-3-O Lord, thou hast **searched** me, and **known** me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my **thought** afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted with *all my ways*. Job 23:10-But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as **gold**. 1 Samuel 2:3-Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are **weighed**.



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(P 68) Omniscience-God knows all-Names explain:

	FATHER	SON	HOLY SPIRIT
Called God	Phil 1:2	Joh 1:1,14; Col 2:9	Act 5:3-4
Creator	Isa 64:8, 44:24	Joh 1:3; Col 1:15-17	Gen 1:2; Job 33:4, 26:13
Resurrects	1Th 1:10	Joh 2:19, 10:17	Rom 8:11
Omnipresent	1Ki 8:27	Mat 28:20	Psa 139:7-10
Omniscient	1Jo 3:20	Joh 16:30	1Co 2:10-11
Sanctifies	1Th 5:23	Heb 2:11	1Pe 1:2
Life giver	Gen 2:7	Joh 1:3,5:21	2Co 3:6, 8
Fellowship	1Jo 1:3	1 Co 1:9	2Co 13:14
Eternal	Psa 90:2	Mic 5:1-2	Rom 8:11
Speaks	Mat 3:17	Luk 5:20, 7:48	Act 8:29, 11:12, 13:2
Love	Joh 3:16	Eph 5: 25	Rom 15:30
Searches the heart	Jer 17:10	Rev 2:23	1Co 2:10
Scripture	Isa 55:11	Rom 10:17; Col 3:16	2Pe 1:21; Heb 3:7

B-Even our thoughts: See Psa 139:2. Ezekiel 11:5 Speak; Thus saith the Lord; Thus have ye said, O house of Israel: for I know the things that come into your mind, <u>every</u> one of them. Luke 6:7, 8- And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether



he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him. But he knew their **thoughts**, and said to the man which had the withered hand, Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. He arose & **stood** forth.

21 -know the things that come into your mind,			
ev_	one of them. 22 -But he knew their		
th_	th23-he arose and st		

C-Our words: Psalm 139:4-For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou **knowest** it altogether.

D-Our deeds: Rev. 2:2-I know thy works, and thy **labour**, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars: Rev. 2:9.

24-Lord, thou kn	it altogether.
25 -I know thy works, and thy Ia	

E-Our hearts and motives: 1 Samuel 16:7-But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature: for the Lord

seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the <u>outward</u> appearance, but the Lord looketh on the <u>heart</u>. Acts 1:24-And they prayed, and said,



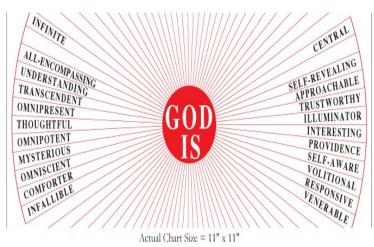
Thou, Lord, which **knowest** the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen, Mark 2:7, 8-Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God **only**? Mark 2:8-And immediately when Jesus perceived in his spirit that they so reasoned within themselves, he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts? Jer 17:10-I the Lord **search** the heart, I **try** (judge) the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

26 -for man looketh on the ou	
appearance, 27 -Lord <i>looketh on the</i>	
he28-Lord, which k	
the hearts of all men, 29 -who can forgive	
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30 -I the Lord se the heart,	I
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F-Our capabilities: Psalm 103:14-For He **knoweth** our frame; He remembereth that we are dust.

G-His own children: I know my **sheep**, and am known of mine. John 10:14. Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord **knoweth** them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from **iniquity**.

32 -For He k _	our frame	our frame 33 -I know my	
sh	34 -the Lord k	them that	
are his. 35 -depart from in .			



H-No action, word, or **deed** is concealed from God. Jer 23:24. 1-Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the **Lord**. 2-Every thought has been under His scrutiny. 3-My motives are glaringly obvious to Him.

I-He understands me! He will **judge** me with full **knowledge** of all my actions and **motives**.

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38 -He will j	_me with	n 39 -full kn
of all my actions 40 -and	l mo	•

(P 69) The Grace of God: (1-46 fill-in the blanks)

The Grace of God is favor and mercy. Divine grace is the free and **undeserved** love and favor of God towards man as a sinner, especially as exhibited in the plan of redemption through Jesus Christ. It is only by the **free** grace of God that we embrace



the offers of **mercy**, and appropriate to ourselves the blessings graciously purchased by redeeming blood.

The "GRACE OF GOD," is spontaneous, unmerited, selfdirected, and almighty. It is the source of the whole scheme of redemption. With it we are united, "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ," who gave himself for sinners; and that of "the Spirit of grace," by whom alone the grace offered by the Father and purchased by the Son is effectually applied.

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I-The Fountain of God's Grace:

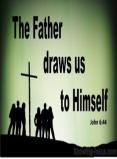
A-John 1:14 -And the Word was made **flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only **begotten** of the Father,) full of grace and truth. B-John 1:17-For the law was given by **Moses**, but grace and truth came by Jesus **Christ**.



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the only be	6-the law was	given by Mo
7 -truth came by J	Jesus C_ h	

II-<u>Prevenient Grace-Grace that Preceeds:</u>

A-John 6:44-No man can come to **me**, except the **Father** which hath sent me **draw** him: and I will raise him up at the last day. B-John 6:65-And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father. C-Ephesians 2:5-Even when we were **dead** in sins, hath quickened us together with



Christ. How much can a dead man do for himself?

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9-Fawhich hath sent me 10-dhim:	
11-when we were de in s	sins

III-Prevenient Grace brings contact with Mercy:

"Mercy is that eternal principle of God's nature which leads Him to seek the temporal good and eternal salvation of those who have opposed themselves to His will."

A-Ephesians 2:4-5-But God, who is **rich** in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with **Christ.**

B-Lament. 3:22, 23-It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are **new** every morning: great is thy faithfulness. C-Titus 3:5-Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of **regeneration**, and **renewing** of the Holy Ghost; D-Guilty man throws himself on the court's mercy.

12 -God, who is r	in mercy 13 -quickened us	
together with Ch	_14 -They are n	
every morning: 15 -he saved us, by the washing of		
re 16-and r	of the Holy Ghost;	

IV-<u>Saving Grace</u>:

A-Ephesians 2:8-For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the **gift** of God: 2 Tim. 1:9-Who hath saved us, and called us



with an **holy** calling, not according to our **works**, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began, B-This is the only means of justification. Romans 3:23-For all have **sinned**, and come short of the **glory** of God; Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through **faith** in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; C-Greater than our sin: Romans 5:20-Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin **abounded**, grace did much **more** abound: D-Eternal salvation: 1 Peter 1:13-Wherefore gird up the loins of your **mind**, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the **revelation** of Jesus Christ;

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the grace that is to be brought unto you at the		
r of Christ.		

(P 70) V-<u>The Sufficiency of Grace</u>:

A-2 Corinthians 9:8-God is able to make all grace abound-that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every **good** work: B-2 Cor. 12:9-And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made **perfect** in weakness. C-1 Peter 5:10-But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal



His Grace Is Sufficient

glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, <u>settle</u> you.

26 -may abound to every g	work
27 -for my strength is made p	in weakness
28 -nerfect stablish strengthen S	VOU

VI-Accessing or the Means of Applying Grace:

A-Those institutions ordained by God to be the ordinary channels of **grace** to the souls of men are

the Word, Communion, and **Prayer**. B-In a wider sense, hearing the gospel, reading the Word, meditation, self-examination, Christian conversation, spiritual hymns are all means of **grace**. C-James 4:6-But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God



resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

29 -ordinary channels of g	to the souls of men are	
30 -the Word, Communion, and	.	
31 -Christian conversation, spiritual hymns, are all means		
of g	_to the believer.	

D-Hebrews 4:16-Let us therefore come **boldly** unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to **help** in time of need. E-God has a grace **bank**.

32 -come b	unto the throne of grace,
33 -find grace to h	in time of need.
34 -God has a grace b	·

VII-Grace can be Enlarged and Gives us Victory:

2 Peter 3:18-But grow in grace, and in the **knowledge**: of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen. Acts 20:32-I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are **sanctified**.

35-But grow in grace, and in the **k**_

36-inheritance among all them which are **s**_

C-Titus 2:11, 13-The grace of God that bringeth **salvation** hath appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and **godly**, in this present world;

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious **appearing** of the great God and our **Saviour** Jesus Christ;



D-Romans 5:17-For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much

more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.

E-1 Corinthians 15:10-By the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

37 -For the grace of God that bringeth sa	
38 -we should live soberly, righteously, and go	
39 -the glorious ap	of the
40 -great God and our S	Jesus Christ;

VIII-Not to be frustrated by sinning:

A-Rom 6:1,14,15-What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? For sin shall <u>**not**</u> have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. What then? shall we sin, because



we are not under the **law,** but under **grace**? God forbid.

B-Gal 2:21-I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

41 -For sin shall n	have dominion over you
42 -not under the I	, but 43 -under g .

IX-Falling From Grace:

A-Galatians 1:6-I marvel that ye are so **<u>soon</u>** removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

B-Hebrews 12:15-Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of **<u>bitterness</u>** springing up trouble you, and thereby many be **<u>defiled</u>**;

44 -I marvel that ye are so so	_removed from him
that called you 45 -lest any root of b	springing
up trouble you, and thereby 46 -many	be d;

X-Benedictions:

A-Triune: 2 Cor. 13:14-The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

B-Rev 22:21-The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

(P 71) To Know Him: (1-34 fill-in the blanks)

John 17:1-These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: John 17:2-As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal **life** to as many as thou hast given him. John



17:3-And this is **life** eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

1 -give eternal I	to as many as thou hast given
him 2 -li	eternal, that they might know thee

The pressing priority of pursuing the knowledge of God, is to know Him by intimate fellowship, as well as correct information. Paul told the Philippians (after



reviewing his pedigree and credentials) that the excellency of the knowledge of God exceeds all other pursuits and accomplishments. Philip. 3:7,8-But what things were gain to

me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count **all** things but **loss** for the excellency of the knowledge of

Christ Jesus my **Lord**: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may **win** Christ,

3 -I count a	things but 4 -I	for
the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my		
Lo	5 -that I may w	Christ.

Why study to know God? Some would say since we are finite and God is infinite there is no purpose for we cannot find God out anyway. While it is true that we cannot know

everything about Him, we can know some things. God

reveals some things about **Himself**. And what we can

know, we ought to strive to know. Let me give you a few reasons to study to know God.

(1)-As a stimulus to your faith: You cannot grow in the knowledge of Him without growing in your love and trust for Him.



(2)-As a stimulus and indicator of your love and worship, for the more

we comprehend of Who He is and His love, mercy, and grace, the more our hearts will be lifted up to praise, worship, and to serve Him.

(3)-As we better understand the God we serve, we will

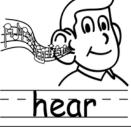
ultimately **have** a clearer picture of what we are to be. Since

He is our Example and He entreats us to be **like** Him, how much we need to know Him and his nature, spirit, and person.

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about H	the God we serve, 8 -we will	
ultimately h	ely h a clearer picture of what we	
are to be. 9-He entreats us to be IiHin		

To Know God is:

1-More than an **awareness** that He exists 2-More than having some information on Him, such as He is the Creator or that He is mighty. These are true, but a real **knowledge** of God



goes **beyond** just some collected

data on Him **3-**More than religion or

emotion. It is certainly consistent with the knowledge of God to have emotion and religious experiences, but if our religious experiences and deep emotions about God do not result in a greater hunger and desire to know Him more, do we really know Him? More than awareness, more than information, more than feelings, it is like Tony Evans said, "It is having God rub off on you."

Jeremiah 9:23-24-Thus saith the Lord, Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty man glory in his

might, let not the rich man glory in his **<u>riches</u>**: But let him

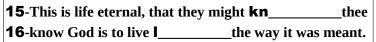
that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and

knoweth me, that I am the Lord which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the Lord.

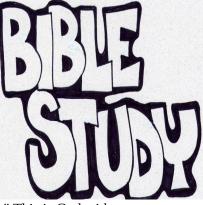
10 -More th	an an aw	that He exists 11 -a real
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14 -that he u	nderstandeth and k	me.

To know God is the highest priority pursuit of man, and it is the most meaningful and authentic pursuit man can be involved in. Jesus said it is the Real Life. John 17:3-And this is life eternal, that they might **know** thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent. To really know God is to live **life** the way it was meant to be lived. It is also the most beneficial pursuit. Look at the benefits:

Daniel 11:32-And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

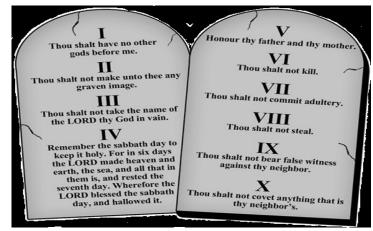


"The study of God is the highest science, which can ever be engaged into by the attention of a child of God. The name, nature, three persons in one; the existence of the only Godhead some call the Trinity, but this is called Godhead in the Bible. This is the great mystery spoken of in First Timothy 3:16:-



God manifested in the flesh." This is God with us.

(P 72) To know God and His character gives:



(1)-Strength of character to do the **<u>right</u>** thing because they have known the nature of God. Helps resolve to carry through necessary action after having the character and purpose to do it God's **way**. God's people shall be **<u>strong</u>**.

(2)-Spiritual Supply and equipping for the task: 2 Peter 1:2-3-Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, According as his divine **power** hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us:

17-Character to do t	he rithing 18 -purpose
to do it God's w	19-God's people
shall be st	20-as his divine
ро	hath given unto us all things.

(3)-Wisdom to apply God's word and principles to daily life: Eph. 1:17-That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

Proverbs 9:10-The fear of the Lord is the **beginning** of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

(4)-Spiritual Fruit: Col. 1:9-10-For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not **Cease** to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; That ye might walk **worthy** of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; The knowledge of God will affect your walk, allow you to please Him consistently, and will produce



in your life the spiritual fruit that marks your vitality and will only continue to increase itself in the knowledge of God.

21 -The fear of the Lord is the be	of wisdom
22 -do not c	to pray for you
23 -That ye might walk w	of the Lord.

To Know God is the Greatest:

1-It is not one that is easily mastered, for it is a life-long pursuit. There is no degree or graduation.

2-Getting to know someone involves the participation of the other party. For you to get acquainted **intimately** with God,

He must share some of His **secrets** with you. Hosea 6:6-For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings. Even though we cannot know God ultimately, we can know Him intimately.

Do you know so and so? Many times we answer, "I know of them." Is that how we want to know God? No, we want to answer the same as we would a close friend. "Yes, I know them. We are **friends**."

3-This does not come naturally and not without effort .

a-It comes to the hungry.

1-Get hungry, for God only feeds

b-It comes to the serious. Deuteronomy 4:29-Thou shalt seek the Lord thy God. Thou shalt find him, if thou seek him with **all** thy heart and with all thy soul.

c-It comes to the **<u>diligent</u>**. Proverbs 2:4-If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

24-For you to get acquainted i	with God,
25-He must share some of His se_	with you.
26-I know them, we are f	
27-if thou seek him with a	thy heart
28-It comes to the di	
How do I get to know God?	The Authentic!

hungry people. Get around someone that

feasts on God and lives His word. God satisfies the **hungry**.

2-Make sure of your relationship. You must come to Him in salvation before the relationship can go any farther. If you don't get really saved, you will always be one of the ones who has to say, "I've heard **about** Him."

29 -God only feeds h	people 30 -God	
satisfies the h	31 -be one of the ones	
who has to say I've heard a	Him	

3-To know God, we must learn His <u>ways</u>. **4-**It will take some time. We never get to know anyone without spending <u>time</u> with them. Psalm 46:10-Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth. The first phrase may prove



to be one of the hardest commands in the Bible to keep for us today. We are geared to go and not wait, wait, **wait**.

32-If you would know God, learn His w_____
33-We never get to know anyone without spending
t______with them. 34-We are geared to go, go, go-not w______

(P 73) <u>Transcendent God- God Exists Above His Creation</u>:

(1-48 fill-in the blanks)

Isaiah 40:18-31-Transcendency, as it relates to God means He is above and **distinct** from His creation. These two facts are always true when referencing God. Let's look at a few ways the Bible

teaches and reveals to us that God is

Above all things

distinct and elevated above His creation.

1 -He is above and d	from His creation
2 -elevated above His c	

I-Distinct in Who He is: His Person

A-Isaiah 40:18-Who will you liken me to? ask God. Where is an adequate comparison? Maybe that is why **God** forbade the production of any **representation** of Himself in the Ten **Commandments**. There is nothing that we know of that can adequately portray God to us. The only way we can see anything about Who He really is, is by His own revelation of Himself to our **hearts**. Anything we produce will be a bad representation of Him.

B-Since He has no equals, He is distinct in His deity. Psalm 97:9-For thou, Lord, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods. **1**-Other gods are **created**. Satan himself, as the god of this world, is a created being. He was created by God and not as Satan, but as an angel. Sin turned an angel into a devil and it does the same thing to good men and women, boys and girls. **2**-Idols, materials, money, persons, are all **created** entities. God on the other hand has always been. There is no comparison between the manufactured & the original. God, being eternal, is in a category all by Himself. He is distinct and elevated above the created world. **3**-He is unique in His **eternality**, His **sovereignty**, His Power, Knowledge, and His **Holiness**. He alone possesses the qualities of deity.

3 -God forbade the prod	uction of any re of	
Himself in the Ten C	4-by His own revelation of	
Himself to our h	5 -Other gods are c	
6 -idols, materials, mone	y, persons, are all	
c7-He is unique in His e ,		
B -His s , His Power, Knowledge, and 9 -His		
Hol		

C-God is not a man, not even a super-sized version of man. Voltaire, the agnostic said, "God made man in His own image and man has returned the favor." We must never be guilty of **reducing** God down to our level.

Original
 Omniscient
 Omnipotent
 Omnipresent
 Immutable
•Holy
 Righteous
 Sovereign
•Love
•Merciful
Trinity

He is the Creator God and we are just one dimension of His creative ability and power.

1-Psalm 113:4-6-The Lord is high above all **nations**, and his glory above the heavens.



Psalm 113:55-Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high,

Ps 113:6-Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven, and in the earth!

2-Eph1:20, 21-Which he wrought in Christ, when he

raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right **hand** in the heavenly **places**, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this **world**, but also in that which is to **come**:



3-He is exalted far above any other

person, and heavenly or celestial power. Our God is **above** them all. Praise His **name**!

10 -We must never be guilty of r	God down	
to our level. 11 -The Lord is high above all n ,		
12-set him at his own right hin the		
13-heavenly p14-not only in thi	s w,	
but 15 -also in that which is to c	16 -our God	
is a them all 17 -praise His n _	!	

4-He is distinct in His thoughts. Isaiah 55:8, 9-For my **thoughts** are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my **ways**, saith the **Lord**. For as the heavens are higher than the **earth**, so are my **ways** higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your **thoughts**.

18 -For my t	are not your thoughts,	
19 -neither are your w	my ways, 20 -saith the	
L21-the heavens are higher than the		
e22 -so are my w	higher than	
your ways, and 23 -my thoughts than your t		

1-How many times has God worked the way you reasoned He would? God's ways and thoughts are so elevated

above ours. We cannot think like God **thinks**, unless He inspires our thoughts Himself.

2-Some folks have to **understand**. Others are so emotion driven, they have to feel. For them, if it doesn't feel right, then God must not be in it.



(P 74) For the pseudo-intellectual, if it

doesn't seem reasonable to **him**, then God must not be in it. How did Gideon feel when God **said**, "Cut your **army** down?" How do you think he reasoned

when God said, "Alright get your weapons-a pitcher, a candle, & a trumpet." How did Joshua **reason**

when God said, "Just walk around? When I tell you, just **shout**!"

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rwhen God said 31 -walk around and		
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3-Since our reasoning falls short and our emotions are most undependable, the key to peace and success is to pursue the **mind** of God and get His understanding on the matter, then follow accordingly. His thoughts toward us:

4-Are Good: Jeremiah 29:11-For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jeremiah 21:12-Then shall ye call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto you. Jeremiah 12:13-And ye shall **seek** me, and find me, when ye shall **search** for me with **all** your heart. Jeremiah 12:14-I will be found of you.

32 -key to peace and success is to pursue the m		
of God 33 -And ye shall se	me, and find me,	
34 -when ye shall se	for me	
35 -with a	your heart.	

5-Psalm 40:5-Many thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be **numbered**.

I know God has a plan. I pray for direction to follow it, patience to wait on it, and knowledge to know when it comes.

G-Undeserved: Psalm 40:17-I am poor and needy; **yet** the Lord **<u>thinketh</u>** upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God.

7-They Are Precious: Psalm 139:17-How precious
also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of
them! 36-more than can be n_____37-yet
the Lord t_____ upon me: 38-How
pr_____ also are thy thoughts unto me.

We are not capable to understand, even if God explains all to us.



He is unique in His Existence: Psalm 83:18-That men may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most high over all the earth.

1-The name **Jehovah** means self-existent or eternal. He exists **solely** by Himself. He needs nothing else to carry on His existence.

2-In order to try to comprehend that, let's start making a list of everything we must have to exist: air, water, heat, and food. We depend on gravity to keep us from flying off this globe as it spins around; we depend on light to carry on our

lives and raise our food. We depend on medicine many times to defend us from alien creatures

so **tiny** that we cannot **see** them, yet they threaten our **existence.** In fact, outside the little spark of divinity in us we call life, we are totally dependent on outside sources to maintain that life.



3-Do you know that none of those things would affect God's **existence** if they all were removed? God would live on if the sun went out tomorrow, if the wells and lakes all went dry, if all the crops failed at the same time, if every human was **extinct**, He would still exist as HE always **has** and will **eternally**. 0 hallelujah!

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(P 75) God is Love: (1-44 fill-in the blanks)

Many people mistake sentiment,

emotion, warm **feelings**, sympathy, and **lust**, for love. These are changeable feelings.



We need to understand more of true love. God's love is to reflect the goodness of His will and glory by meeting the needs of mankind. (1)-Love is a universal **need** of mankind, (2)-sought after by nearly everyone, (3)-often sought for in the **wrong** places and (4)-often proves what was thought to be love was not. (5)-Even the love of God is many times **misunderstood**.

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I-Elements of God's Love:

I-God's love is <u>expressed</u> at Calvary.

John 3:16-For God so loved the world, that he gave his only **begotten** Son. Romans 5:8-But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet <u>sinners</u>, Christ died for <u>us</u>.

7-love is ex_____8-his only be_____Son,9-while we were yet s____10-Christ died for u____.

II-<u>God's Love is Sacrificial</u>:

A-Calvary is the ultimate expression of sacrifice and selflessness.

B-Love by its very nature puts **others** first. 1 John 4:10-not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son. C-1 Cor 13:4-5-Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth **not**; charity vaunteth not itself, is **not**



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III-God's Love is Beneficial:

A-His love is extended for us to help us, to save us.

B-Romans 5:9-Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be **saved** from wrath through him.



C-Romans 8:31-What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

Rom. 8:32-He that spared not his own **Son**, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely **give** us all things?

16 -justified by his blood, we shall be sa	
17 -He that spared not his own S	
18-freely g	us all things?

IV-God's Love is Impartial:

A-Acts 10:34-Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no **respecter** of persons:

B-Rev. 22:17-And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, **<u>Come</u>**. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

C-Not tied to selfish motives or gain.

D-Not determined by personal worth.

E-Not withheld until personal reformation.

19- God is no **r_____**

_of persons

20-let him that is athirst **c**_

V-<u>God's Love is Judicial</u>:

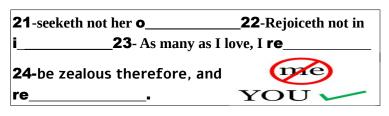
A-1 Corinthians 13:5-Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her **own**, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; I Corinthian 3:6-



Rejoiceth not in **iniquity**, but rejoiceth in the truth;

B-His love always makes a moral distinction and chooses the right

C-Rev. 3:19-As many as I love, I **<u>rebuke</u>** and chasten: be zealous therefore, and **<u>repent</u>**.





(P 76) D-Hebrews 12:5-Ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the <u>**chastening**</u> of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: Deuteronomy 12:6-



For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. E-Leviticus 19:17-not hate thy brother in thine **heart**: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

F-Proverbs 9:8-Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will **love** thee.

Proverbs 27:5-Open rebuke is better than secret love. G-Preachers- 1 Timothy 5:20-Them that sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear. 2 Timothy 4:2-Preach the word; be instant in season, out of **<u>season</u>**; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering & doctrine.

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27- rebuke a wise man, and he will lo	thee
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VI-God's Love is <u>Emotional</u>:

A-155 Bible verses have the word "joy."

B-Nehemiah 8:10-Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither

be ye sorry; for the joy of the Lord is your **<u>strength</u>**.

C-1 Peter 1:8-Having not **seen**, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable & full of glory:

D-1 Samuel 4:5-When the ark of the covenant of the Lord came into the camp, all Israel shouted with a great

shout, so that the earth rang.

E-Job 38:7-When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God **shouted** for joy. F-Ezra 3:11-They sang together in praising & giving thanks unto the Lord; because he is good. All the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the



foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

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33 -all the sons of God s	for joy.	

Ezra 3:12-But many of the priests and Levites and chief

of the fathers, who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud **voice**; and many shouted aloud for joy:



Ezra 3:13-So that the people could

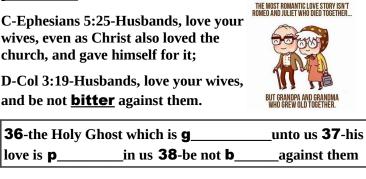
not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the **weeping** of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.

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VII-<u>God's Love is Communicable and Perfected</u> in and through those who love Him.

A-Romans 5:5-And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is **given** unto us.

B-1 John 4:12-No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is **perfected** in us.



E-Titus 2:4-That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their **husbands**, to love their **children**, F-1 John 3:14-We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth **not** his brother abideth in death.

G-Mark 12:30-And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy <u>heart</u>, and with all thy soul, and with all thy **mind**, and with all thy **strength**: this is the first

commandment. Mark 12:31-Second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

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(P 77) The Omnipotence of God: (1-37 fill-ins)

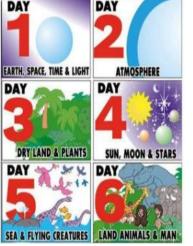
Omnipotence- (all powerful) With the right to govern, God possesses the power to maintain His domain.

I-Creation displays power beyond imagination.

A-His power is **unlimited**, and His means and **methods** are also unlimited, HE created the worlds out of

HE created the worlds out of nothing visible, but his Word.

B-The vastness of the universe! Man has not been able to even **measure** its boundaries! God spoke it all into existence, (Ps 147:4,5) and holds everything in its



place by the power of His word. (Hebrews 1:3)

C-He is said to measure out the waters of the earth in the palm of His hand. He sets the boundaries for the oceans and they come no farther.

D-He created the human body with all its **<u>complexities</u>** and its abilities to create, adapt, and thrive. The human body is a complex, ingenious design by a Master Designer with unlimited understanding and power to **<u>create.</u>**

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II-The Scope of His Power is Unlimited. It is

displayed in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.



A-Matthew 28:18-And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in **earth**.



B-Colossians 2:9-For in him dwelleth all

the fulness of the **Godhead** bodily. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

Mark 10:27-Jesus looking upon them saith, With men it is impossible, but not with God: for with God all things are **possible.**

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III-His Power Over the Laws of Nature:

A-Walking on the sea; **<u>calming</u>** the storm:

B-**<u>Multiplying</u>** loaves and fish to feed 5000:

C-The miraculous draught of **fish** caught:

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IV-His Power Over Disease:

A-He **healed** the sick folk.

B-The blind saw; the deaf heard; and the lame **walked**.



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C-Withered limbs were **restored**; fevers cooled; & lepers made whole by the awesome **power** of our God.

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V-His Power Over Death:

A-The widow of Nain's son was raised from the **dead**.

- **B**-Jairus's daughter was raised from the **<u>dead</u>**.
- C-**Lazarus** was raised from the dead.

D-Greatest feat ever is His own **resurrection** from the grave, exactly as He **predicted**.

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VI-Power Over Demon Spirits:

A-They cried out in acknowledgment of **who**_He was.

B-They were forced to <u>leave</u> their victims at His command.

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(P 78) VII-His Power Over Sin in Salvation:

A-To save: Heb 7:25-Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make **intercession** for them.



B-Ephesians 3:17-That Christ may dwell in your hearts by **faith**; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, Eph. 3:18-May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; Eph 3:19-And to know the love of Christ, which **passeth** knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Eph. 3:20-unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in **us**,

C-Isaiah 63:1-Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

D-Matthew 9:6-But that ye may know that the Son of man hath **power** on earth to forgive sins. Then saith he to the sick of the palsy, Arise, take up thy **bed**, and go unto thine house.



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VIII-His Power Over Inbred Sin in Sanctification:

A-To sanctify: 1 Thes. 5:23-And the very God of peace sanctify you **wholly**; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. I Thessalonians 5:24-Faithful is He that **calleth** you, who also will do it.

IX-His Power to Keep the Believers:

A-Jude 1:24-Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

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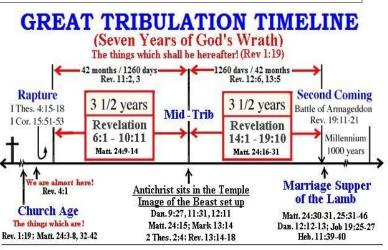
B-Philip. 1:6-Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath **begun** a good work in **you** will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

C-2 Tim. 1:12-For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I **know** whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is **able** to **keep** that which I have committed unto him against that day.

D-Romans 8:38-For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor **life**, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Romans 8:39-Nor height, nor **depth**, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

E-Romans 16:25-Now to Him that is of **power** to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept **secret** since the world began.

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(P 79) The Holiness of God is "absolute purity."

(1-43 fill-in the blanks)

I-His Holiness Proof texts:

A-Exodus 15:11-Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? who is like thee, B-Isaiah 6:3-

And one cried unto another, and said, holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts. C-Psalm 99:9- Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at his **holy** hill; for the Lord our God is holy. D-James 1:13-Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he.

E-Rev. 15:4-Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all **nations** shall come and **worship** before thee;

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II-His Holiness Manifests Itself in Righteousness:

A-Psalm 97:2-Clouds & darkness are round about him: righteousness & judgment are the habitation of his throne.

B-Psalm 119:137-Righteous art thou, O Lord, and upright are thy judgments. C-Psalm 145:17-Lord is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works. D-Jeremiah 23:6-In his days Judah shall



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be saved, and Israel shall dwell **safely**: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR **RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

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III-Sin is "first and foremost" an Offense Against God:

A-Unbelief- an affront to His Integrity and credibility

B-Rebellion and disobedience- an affront to His Sovereignty

C-Dishonesty- an affront to His Truth

D-Immorality- an affront to His Righteousness.

IV-His Holiness Manifests Itself in Truth:

A-Deuteronomy 32:4-He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.



B-Psalm 18:30-As for God, his way is **perfect**: the word of the Lord is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.

C-Psalm 31:5- Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

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D-Manifested personally in Jesus and the Holy Spirit:

1-John 1:17-For the law was given by Moses, but grace and **truth** came by Jesus Christ. 2-John 14:6-Jesus saith unto him, NEDIATO I am the way, the truth, and the life: no



man cometh unto the Father, but by me. 3-John 14:17-Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with **you**, and shall be in **you**.

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V-His Holiness Manifests Itself in moral perfection:

A-1 John 1:5-God is light, and in him is no darkness at **all.**

B-Hebrews 5:9-He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that **obev** him; C-Heb 4:15-For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all



points **tempted** like as we are, yet without sin. D-Heb 7:26-For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners.

E-2 Cor 5:21-For he hath made him to be sin for us.

F-1 Peter 2:21-Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: I John 7:22-Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

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(P 80) VI-Uncleanness Contrasted to His Holiness:

A-Habakkuk 3:16-When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.



B-Job 40:4 Job 42:6-Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes. C-Isaiah 6:5-Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts.

D-Daniel 10:7-And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great

quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves. Daniel 10:8-I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength. E-Rev.



1:17-When I **saw** him, I fell at his feet as **dead.** He laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

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VII-Condition of our acceptance:

A-Leviticus 11:44, 45-For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be **holy**; for I am **holy.** For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy. B-Levitius 20:7 Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be ye holy. C-1Th 4:7-God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

D-1Pe 1:15-But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of **conversation**;

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VIII-Our Approach to a Holy God:

A-Old Testament. Blood had to be shed continuously. In the New Testament, blood has been shed once for all.

B-Hebrews 9:24, 25-For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that he should offer

himself **often**, as the high priest entereth into the holy

place every year with blood of others;

C-Hebrews 10:19, 20-Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us,



through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

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D-1 John 1:7-But if we walk in the light, as he is in the **light**, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. E-Acts 20:28-Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

F-Ephesians 1:7-In whom we have redemption through his **blood**, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; G-1 Peter 1:18-19-Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as **silver** and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish:

