

GETTING TO KNOW YOU, GOD

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This 5-part series explores better ways to develop an intimate relationship with God.



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1. Is God a He, She or It?

This first lesson explores the essential nature of God and how we can relate to Him effectively.

Intro - Who do you imagine praying to when you pray?

Children's prayers are sincere and direct.

Knowing who we are praying to can be helpful in several ways.

Knowing who we pray to benefits us in a variety of ways:

1. We will increase _____

2. We will have greater _____

3. We will have more _____

Is God a He, She or an It?

Social upheaval has moved some to try to define God along human lines.

God is neither _____ or _____ John 4:24

God reveals Himself in _____

The danger for man is that he “_____” Romans 1:25

The answer is to realize that God is _____

Is God a Thing?

- Exodus 3:2 _____

- Psalm 28:7 _____

- Deuteronomy 32:4 _____

God as a Woman

- Ezekiel 19:2 _____

- Isaiah 66:7 _____

- Matthew 23:37 _____

God as a Man

- II Peter 1:20

Jesus is the One who called God _____ . Romans 8:15-17

The term "Father" is often used as a metaphor for _____

Jesus referred to God as He.

Summary

Colossians 1:15

Romans 5:19

Who are we praying to?

What does this all mean for me?

1. God can relate.

2. God cares.

3. God wants to help.

2. The Character of God: Holiness

In this lesson, we dig deeper into the essential character of God and find out that what He wants from us is that we get to know Him intimately and learn how to do this.

Intro - We must get to know God emotionally as well as intellectually.

The Bible uses _____ to give us the clearest picture of who God is.

God Wants Me to be Afraid of Him

Job 40:4; 42:5-6 _____

Habakkuk 3:16 _____

Revelation 1:17 _____

There are many words used to describe God.

Isaiah 6:3

In heavenly scenes God is portrayed as “Holy” and man’s natural reaction is to be in awe or overwhelmed.

Imitating God is the best way to know Him

1. Separation

The Key to being holy is to go to the place where God is:

Go to _____

Go to _____

Go to _____

Go to _____

Go to _____

Go into _____

2. Absolute Purity

Isaiah 10:17 _____

John 8:12 _____

I Timothy 6:16 _____

Ephesians 5:8 _____

Matthew 5:8 _____

Purity means:

We don't _____

We are at _____

When God seems far away it is usually because we are not _____
or we are not acting _____.

Summary

Fear is a sign that one _____

God does not want us to be _____ of Him, He wants _____

The way into God's holiness beings with _____

3. The God Who Knows

In this lesson Mike will examine how God's all-knowing character affects our everyday lives and our spiritual development.

Intro - "One Holy Hunger" - Mike Cope

We have reviewed some of God's characteristics

The best way to know God is to _____.

Imitating His holiness requires:

1. Go where _____

2. Act in the _____

Omniscience

God is all-knowing.

The idea that God knows all can be quite frightening.

Psalm 139

In this psalm David goes from being closed and running from God to being fully open and inviting Him in to completely dwell in Him.

Psalm 139:1 _____

Vs. 2 _____

Vs. 3 _____

Vs. 4 _____

Vs. 5-6 _____

Vs. 7-12 _____

Vs. 13-16 _____

Vs. 17-18 _____

Vs. 19-22 _____

Vs. 23-24 _____

Summary

Where are we at in this process of being known by God?

Because God knows:

How _____

What _____

When _____

How _____

Who _____

We should invite God in to:

Examine _____

Heal _____

Discipline _____

Change _____

Fill _____

Use _____

Help _____

This total submission to God's scrutiny is the final stage in our _____

Are You Ready?

4. The God Who Listens

This lesson deals with the discouragement one feels when repeated prayers over a long period of time go unanswered.

Intro - Is God really listening?

James 5:16

Jeremiah and Lamentations

A "lament" over the destruction of Jerusalem by the Babylonians

Lamentations 1:1-3

Lamentations 2:1

Lamentations 3:21-24

Jeremiah understood three things about his relationship with God in times of trouble:

1. God was sometimes silent _____

God may be silent in the midst of our problems but _____

2. Jeremiah needed _____

I Peter 5:7 _____

We have to get the _____ out in order to get the _____ in.

3. Jeremiah understood that _____

The destruction of the temple actually accomplished three important things in God's overall plan:

1. It preserved _____

2. It gave rise to the _____ system.

3. The Jewish people never again _____

Romans 8:28 _____

In this passage Paul makes several points about God's will being accomplished in people's lives:

God uses _____

He uses _____ things for His purpose.

All things are used for His purpose and _____

Summary

When trouble comes and you pray, remember:

1. God is sometimes silent _____

2. Healing requires one to _____

3. God has _____

5. The God Who is Able

In the final lesson in this series, Mike explains the relationship that we have with God when we face trials and trouble.

Intro - Review

We want to know God not only from our minds but in our _____ as well.

Several aspects of His being are:

1. He is _____.

2. The way to know Him is to _____.

3. Relationship with God is _____.

4. When we are in trouble:

A. God is _____ but not _____.

B. We need to _____ God about our troubles.

C. God has a _____.

Our God is _____.

We know _____ God but we don't believe what we _____ about God.

Numbers 11:19-20 _____

Numbers 11:21-22 _____

Numbers 11:23 _____

He is able but are we willing?

“One Holy Hunger” by Mike Cope.

Ephesians 1:18-19a _____

Ephesians 1:19b _____

What to Believe

God can and will do for you:

He can _____

What makes your problem so special?

Let's keep believing even when _____.

He can _____

Summary

Remember, He is _____ if we are _____.

Luke 8:50 _____

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