

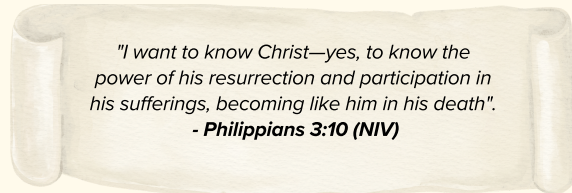
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## Can you truly come to KNOW God?

How does anyone come to KNOW an omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent thing?

A spirit-being said to exist both before AND after time? The Creator of all things seen and unseen.

I'll be the first to admit, I have no idea.



But one thing I know is...

I knew OF Him. And I knew ABOUT Him. But I didn't KNOW Him in the least.

I didn't know Him because I wasn't ready to know Him. I wanted Him to know me and LOVE me without the hassle of me getting to know Him.

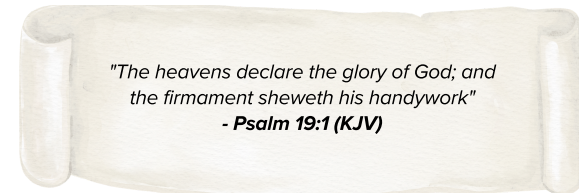
I soon realized I was farther from knowing Him than I thought. Farther from learning how to LOVE Him than I had hoped.

**WORD ON THE WORD:** Before the New Testament, the term agape ("LOVE") existed but was rarely used. Early Christians transformed the word "agape" into the supreme term for divine, unselfish love - seeking the highest good regardless of response.

To LOVE God, we must first come to KNOW God.

God may be infinite, but He is not inaccessible.

God may be beyond understanding, but He is not unknowable.

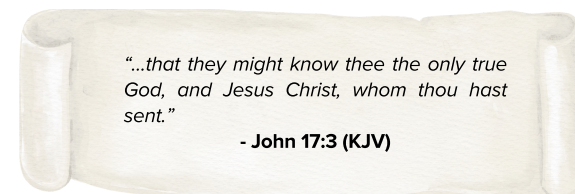


We don't figure God out. God makes Himself KNOWN.

And thankfully He gifted us a means to reveal Himself. Not a handbook or textbook, but a glorious tome of mystic poetry.

Like Him, His book is not inaccessible or unknowable. It simply requires patience, perseverance, openness, humility, and a soft heart to receive what is being revealed.

In His book, God is quite real. He speaks, calls, appears, acts, judges, saves, covenants, creates, destroys, delivers, teaches, and finally enters the world in visible form, miraculously, as His own Son - Jesus Christ. God willingly entered the world in a personal and knowable way.



God ...by name.

KNOWS

HE CHOSE YOU.

BEFORE YOU WERE YOU.

"BEFORE I FORMED THEE IN THE WOMB, I KNEW THEE."  
- JEREMIAH 1:5

HE KNOWS ...

"EVEN EVERY ONE THAT IS CALLED BY MY NAME, FOR I HAVE CREATED HIM FOR MY GLORY, I HAVE FORMED HIM; YEA, I HAVE MADE HIM."  
ISAIAH 43:7

"... AND HE CALLETH HIS OWN SHEEP BY NAME."  
- JOHN 10:3

"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE AND I KNOW THEM..."  
- JOHN 10:27

"BUT EVEN ALL THE VERY HAIRS ON YOUR HEAD ARE NUMBERED..."  
- LUKE 12:7

"O LORD, THOU HAST SEARCHED ME, AND KNOWN ME..."  
- PSALM 139:1

...and WILL CHANGE YOUR name.

"TO HIM THAT OVERCOMETH... I WILL GIVE HIM A WHITE STONE, AND IN THE STONE A NEW NAME WRITTEN, WHICH NO MAN KNOWETH SAVING HE THAT RECEIVETH IT."  
- THE REVELATION 2:17

... SO IT IS WRITTEN INTO THE BOOK of LIFE.

"... BUT THEY WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE."  
- THE REVELATION 21:27

OUR GOD, YOUR GOD, MY GOD IS A PERSONAL GOD.