

Week 1: Knowing God

KNOWING GOD/DAY ONE -

God's Character:

A right concept of God will always lead to worship...Your concept of God reveals much about you. What you think about God will determine the depth of your prayer life, your sensitivity to sin, and your potential for victory in trials. If you understand that God cares about you and bends His ear to your voice, you will pray differently. You'll pray as though He's listening - because you know that He is.

If you understand that God is holy, omnipresent (everywhere), and omniscient (all-seeing), you'll desire purity in your life. You won't take sin lightly. If you understand that He is omnipotent (all-powerful) and sovereign (over all), you'll lift your head during trials and watch for your victory. You'll leave your problems in His hands, trusting the outcome to Him."

(From *Pleasing God* by Kay Smith pgs. 160-161)

God is everywhere. He is omnipresent. Read Psalm 139:1-12 and write what God sees.

God is all knowing. He is omniscient. Write Proverbs 15:3 here: _____

God is omnipotent. He is all powerful. He is able to save and destroy. How do James 4:12 & Ephesians 3:20 confirm this truth? _____

God is in control. He is sovereign. Read Hebrews 2:8 and Philippians 3:21 and describe God's sovereignty.

God is eternal. He has no beginning and no end. Read 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 and write your thoughts.

God is never changing. He always remains the same. Write Psalm 102:27 here: _____

God is righteous. He is never wrong. What does Psalm 11:7 say about God's righteousness?

God is just. Everything he does is fair and excellent.
Write your thoughts about Psalm 89:14:

God is honest and truthful. How does Isaiah 45:19
confirm this? _____

God is holy. He is special, set apart, not influenced by
the ideas of the world. Read Hebrews 7:26 and 1 Peter
1:14-16 and write the truths about God's holiness here:

God is caring. Why does 1 Peter 5:7 say that we should
tell God about our concerns?

God is loving. He's so loving the word 'agape' (uh-gah-
pay) had to be invented in order to describe God's kind
of love. It is sacrificial love with no favoritism. Write
Psalm 145:13 here:

Read 2 Peter 3:9. God is so incredibly loving and caring
that he wants EVERYONE to be _____.

Write down as many characteristics of God that you
can remember without looking back in the study:

*Spiritual Prayer Requests based on today's study:
Please help me know and remember the characteristics
of You and that they are
good. _____

*Other Prayer Requests: _____

*Praises: Thank you for who you are, God. There is NO
one like you. You are amazing!

KNOWING GOD/DAY TWO - God's Word:

The purpose for reading the Bible daily is to learn more and more about God's character. It's the most important thing we could do in a day. How does Hebrews 4:12 describe the Word of God?

Write the truths about God's Word from 2 Timothy 2:15 & 2 Peter 1:3: _____

Did you know that the Word of God is our protection for spiritual warfare too? In Matthew chapter 4:1-11, Jesus overcomes temptation by doing what?

Read Proverbs 2:1-5. How should we treat the Word of God? _____

What happens to those who hear the Word and obey it according to Luke 11:28? _____

Read James 1:22-25. What happens to the person who studies God's Word and remembers to do what it says? _____

According to Psalm 1:2-3, what is the result for someone who continually meditates on the Word of God? _____

Life Verses:

Keep a list of verses you come across as you read your Bible that stick out to you. Here are a few of my examples you can look up:

- Proverbs 29:11 - Don't vent
- Proverbs 15:28 - Read my Bible every day
- Romans 12:10 - Be humble, don't justify
- Titus 3:14 - Don't be lazy
- Hebrews 13:15 - Be content and satisfied
- Philippians 4:11 - Trust God
- Proverbs 13:3 - Think before I speak
- 1Corinthians 15:32 - Choose friends wisely
- Jeremiah 29:11 - hope instead of despair

Read the following scriptures about God's Word. Then choose a word from the box to finish the sentence.

weapon	perfect
eating	Jesus
sin	living hearts
& minds	

Deuteronomy 8:3 - Reading God's Word daily is more important than _____.

2 Samuel 22:31 - God's ideas are _____.

Psalms 119:11 - God's Word keeps me from ____.

John 1:1&14 - God's Word is lived out through _____.

Ephesians 6:17 - God's Word is our _____.

Colossians 3:16 - God's Word should constantly be filling our _____ & _____.

Hebrews 4:12 - God's Word is never irrelevant or outdated. God's Word is _____ and active.

*Spiritual Prayer Requests: Help me to study and remember your Word so that I won't sin against you. Help me use your Word to combat sin and temptation. And help me make reading my Bible the priority every single day. _____

*Other Prayer Requests: _____

*And Praises: Thank you for giving us your Word and for preserving it that I can still read it for myself today! Thank you for your instructions and hope and help available to me by reading my Bible. _____

KNOWING GOD/DAY THREE - God's Son:

Hebrews 1:3 says, "The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven."

God's Word, our Bible, is God's character expressed in written thought. God's Son is God's character demonstrated in person.

Read John 1:1-14 and answer the following questions:

1. What did the Word become? _____
2. Where did the Word dwell? _____

Read Romans 5:12-19 and write your thoughts about why Jesus came to live on earth:

How are we saved by Jesus' sacrifice according to Romans 3:21-26? _____

Jesus said this, "No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what my Father has commanded."

(John 10:18 NLT)

And Hebrews 12:1-3 says,

And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.

What do these two passages tell you about Jesus and his sacrifice for our sins? Circle the words that apply...

Willing, Glad to do it, Obedient, Enduring, Humble, Victorious, Sacrificial, Loving

Why must we believe in God's Son?

Read John 3:16-18 to help answer. _____

Read Romans 3:21-22 What does believing in Jesus make us? _____.

How were people made righteous with God before Jesus came? _____.

Is that easy to do? _____

Since Jesus came to make us righteous, do we need to obey God's laws anymore? _____

Why? What is the purpose of God's laws as we believe in Jesus? (Remember Romans 3:20 & read Galatians 3:23-26).

(Circle the right answer)

a. God's law has no purpose anymore.

b. God's law is our 'teacher' and shows us our need for a Savior because it's impossible to keep them all!

*Spiritual Prayer Requests: Help me always remember my need for Jesus and to share him with others. _____

*Other Prayer Requests: _____

*Praises: Thank you for your Son, for his sacrifice and example and incredible love for me. _____

KNOWING GOD/DAY FOUR -

The Holy Spirit:

Jesus said, in John 16:7, "But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you."

According to Philippians 2:13 God works in us through his Holy Spirit to give us "the _____ and the _____ to do what pleases him."

Read John 15:26 and John 14:26. What does the Holy Spirit do? _____

Read John 16:8. What else does the Holy Spirit do?

Look up the following verses in order to match it to one of the truths about the Holy Spirit. (The answers are at the end of the lesson)

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| 1. Romans 8:27 | a. How God reveals things to us |
| 2. John 6:63 | b. Prays for us |
| 3. Romans 8:26 | c. Helps us in our weakness |
| 4. 1Corinthians 2:10 | d. Gives life |
| 5. 1 John 3:24 | e. Proof that God lives in us |

(Answers: 1-b, 2-c, 3-d, 4-a, 5-e)

*Spiritual Prayer Requests: Help me to rely on the power of your Holy Spirit every day.

*Other Prayer Requests: _____

*Praises: Thank you for your Holy Spirit who helps and guides me. _____

KNOWING GOD/DAY FIVE - Review:

Fill in:

1. God is everywhere. He is _____.
2. God is all-knowing. He is _____.
3. God is all-powerful. He is _____.
4. God controls everything. He is _____.
5. What is the special name given for God's kind of love? _____. What make it so special?
_____.
6. What's the most important thing a person could do in a day? _____.
7. God's Word is like a _____.
8. Why did Jesus give his life for us?
(Circle all that apply)
because he wanted to because he loves us
because he was forced to out of obedience
9. Why did God send his Holy Spirit? _____
_____.
10. Write out one of your own Life Verses here:

*Spiritual Prayer Requests: _____

*Other Prayer Requests: _____

*Praises: _____
