

Knowing God

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I. Introduction.

A. Many who claim to know Christ as savior have lost the picture. We have substituted activity for relationship.

II. The main course of the Christian life is knowing God and believing him. (Isaiah 43:10; 1 Peter 1:10; Philippians 3:10)

A. Everything good comes from our knowledge of him. (2 Peter 2)

B. God's promise is that we are conformed to Christ's image when we know him. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

III. How we know God.

A. Through God's Word.

B. Through spending time alone with God.

IV. We should be trusting God for something daily.

A. For present faith to be a reality, you must believe in what the Scripture says about yourself. (2 Corinthians 1:10)

B. Present faith pleases God. (Hebrews 11:6)

C. God desires fellowship from us and not service. (John 6)

D. Present faith is the key to blessing. (Proverbs 10:22)

E. Present faith is the key to victory in the Christian life. (Isaiah 43:10)

F. A lack of faith is sin. (Romans 14:23)

V. Sources of faith.

A. People who have gone before. (Hebrews 13:7)

B. Exercise and practice.

VI. The key to an effective witness is relationship.

VII. Conclusion.

Application questions:

1. How do people look different who know God?

2. What is your plan for getting into God's Word more and spending more quality time with him?

3. What does it look like to exercise and practice faith?
