## Learn What God Wants You to Know

## **GOD IS REAL!**



## OUR DAILY BREAD

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## **SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:**

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. (Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Two weeks ago we began a very important topic. (Last week we interrupted this topic to answer the important question: WHO LOVES GOD?. If you missed that lesson, we hope you will get it.) This week we will continue our main topic which is:

# LEARN WHAT GOD WANTS YOU TO KNOW!

As we always do, we will look into our

KING JAMES BIBLE to READ & STUDY what God says about this!



And remember, as we learned last week, that when we read & study & search for God's answers with ALL OUR HEART, & then TREASURE what God tells us there in His written Word WE LOVE GOD!

So here we go - searching the scriptures to find out what God wants us to KNOW! Let's read our 1st one. This one tells us one of the very FIRST things God wants us to know!

"But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king:" Jeremiah 10:10a KJB

Jeremiah 10:10 tells us that the LORD is: THE TRUE GOD!

What does this mean? Well it means that He is REAL! He is GENUINE! He is NOT PRETEND! He is NOT FAKE or something made up by man's IMAGINATION! Throughout history, mankind has

"made up" many kinds of "gods". Some people have even made "themselves" out to be gods! But God says that NONE of them are the TRUE GOD!

Read what God says about Himself that He want us to KNOW:

Isaiah 45:5 KJB

"I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me...

That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that *there is* none beside me. I *am* the LORD, and *there is* none else."

God wants us to KNOW that He is the ONLY REAL GOD! There is NO OTHER GOD except HIM!

The phrase THE TRUE GOD also means that He NEVER LIES. He TELLS ONLY TRUTH to us!



"God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? Or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Numbers 23:19 KJB

Therefore, we can TRUST God for EVERYTHING! He is FAITHFUL & TRUE! He is ALWAYS RIGHT, whether we may agree with Him or not! He is CORRECT! He does NOTHING WRONG, even though some of the things He allows are hard for us to understand! God is REAL & RIGHT!

Jeremiah 10:10 also tells us that the LORD is:

## THE LIVING GOD!

"But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king:"

God thinks, hears, speaks, acts, commands, governs, loves, hates & many other things as well. (Yes, the bible tells us that there are things which God hates! Maybe someday we'll search our King James Bible to find out what God hates. You can even do this ON YOUR OWN in case we don't ever get to do lessons on this topic.) GOD LIVES! He lived in the past. He lives in the present, He'll live forever. There was NEVER a time when God did NOT live! Jeremiah 10:10 tells us that too:

"But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king:"

God has ALWAYS EXISTED! He EXISTS RIGHT NOW! He will ALWAYS EXIST! God had NO BEGINNING & will have NO END! He calls Himself the ETERNAL, the EVERLASTING GOD! There was NEVER a time when there was no God! No person who ever claimed to be God or "a god" can say this about themselves. People like Buddha or Mohammed are DEAD! Here are some scriptures that tell us that God has ALWAYS existed:"

"Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even <u>from</u> everlasting to

## everlasting, thou art God."

Psalm 90:2 KJB

"The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms:"

Deuteronomy 33:27 KJB

"Hast thou not known? Hast thou no heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding."

Isaiah 40:28 KJB

Knowing that God is the TRUE GOD, THE LIVING GOD, THE EVERLASTING GOD is so important for us to KNOW - especially when troubles & sorrows come our way. Only the TRUE & LIVING & EVERLASTING GOD can make promises that we can TRUST since He is the ONLY ONE who tells us absolute TRUTH. He is the ONLY ONE who has the POWER to KEEP His promises & DO what He says He will do for us. And there will NEVER be a time when He won't be around to do what He says!



So if you are God's child (John1:12), when TROUBLES come your way, you can ABSOLUTELY COUNT ON GOD TO KEEP THIS NEXT PROMISE TO YOU because He is the TRUE GOD, THE LIVING GOD, THE EVERLASTING GOD:

"...for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

Hebrews 13:5b KJB

In fact, God says that this is one of the MAIN REA-SONS why He created you & placed you where you live on this earth:

"God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

That they should seek the Lord, if hapy (perhaps) they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of US."

Acts 17:24-27 KJB

So we see that the first things God wants you to LEARN or COME TO KNOW about Him is that HE IS REAL & that He is NEAR not far from us! God has TOLD US THIS CLEARLY in His WRITTEN WORD!

But, many people DO NOT read God's written Word! So how will people who DO NOT read God's written Word get to know that GOD IS REAL?

Over the next few weeks, we are going to LEARN a

few of the MANY, MANY ways that God has SHOWN & PROVEN that He is REAL so that in the end NO ONE CAN EVER SAY that God did not give them a way to KNOW that HE IS REAL! No one will have an EXCUSE for not obeying God by saying that they did not know He is REAL!

There are MANY people today who say that GOD is not real. They are called ATHEISTS. But not only that, there are MANY people today who worship other people or things that THEY say are the real God! But did you know that there was a time in history when ALL men on earth knew that GOD IS REAL! Can you GUESS when that time of history was? Think real hard! We'll give you 2 scriptures that will give you A HINT!

"And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

Genesis 2:7 KJB

"And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof;

And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man."

Genesis 2:21-22 KJB



Did you guess when that time of history was when EVERY PERSON ABSOLUTELY KNEW that GOD IS REAL?

It was when God, the CREATOR OF EVERY THING, created ADAM & THE WOMAN!

Adam & the woman whom Adam later named Eve were ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that God is REAL! They KNEW God PERSONALLY! They HEARD God speak to them directly! They HEARD HIS VOICE with there EARS! Here is one thing Adam heard God say:

"And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. And the LORD God

<u>commanded</u> the man <u>saying</u>, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

Genesis 2:16-17 KJB

Adam & the woman KNEW for CERTAIN that GOD IS REAL!

So if the very first people on earth KNEW FOR CERTAIN that God is REAL & they KNEW the true, living, everlasting God personally, how ever did it end up that many people throughout history do NOT believe that God is REAL & there is ONLY ONE REAL GOD? In Oct 12th's lesson we'll FIND OUT!

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#### **From I-95**

- RI Exit #22; Left at split to Rt. 6 W.
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; Right off Exit.
- on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn Left at light (CVS on corner), and then bear Left at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

### **From Rt. 146**

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From 146 N turn Left off Exit; from 146 S turn Right.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay Left around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
  - Take next Right onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
  - Go about 1½ mi.
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