

Knowing God (1)



KNOWING GOD

What is God really like? Although you may have heard a lot about God, the Bible says that it is only when we come to Jesus that we can begin to really know Him. In this series of studies we are going to learn more about who God is.

💡 What did you believe about God before you came to know Jesus? Share.

TRUTHS ABOUT GOD

1. HE IS CREATOR

✝ What truths can we learn about God when we look at what He has made?

Romans 1:20 _____

Isaiah 40:28 _____

✝ Why has God made us?

Acts 17:26-27 _____

Where did your hand-phone come from? We know it was made by workers in a factory somewhere – perhaps in China or Japan! What about the stars, animals, flowers, insects ... you and I? Someone created us, and that person is God.

💡 Read Psalm 139:13-18 Share a verse you like from this passage and tell us why you like it.

2. HE IS SPIRIT

The Bible tells us that God is spirit and therefore we cannot see Him. We are commanded not to make any images or idols to represent God.

✝ Why is it wrong to make and worship idols?

Romans 1:21-23, 25 _____

✝ How is it possible to know a God we cannot see?

John 1:18 _____

John 14:7 _____

✝ Where is God?

Psalm 139:7-10 _____

Isn't that wonderful! If God had a body like us He would be limited to one place, but God can be everywhere because He is Spirit. This is the reason we cannot make anything to look like Him – if we do we are making God less than He is.

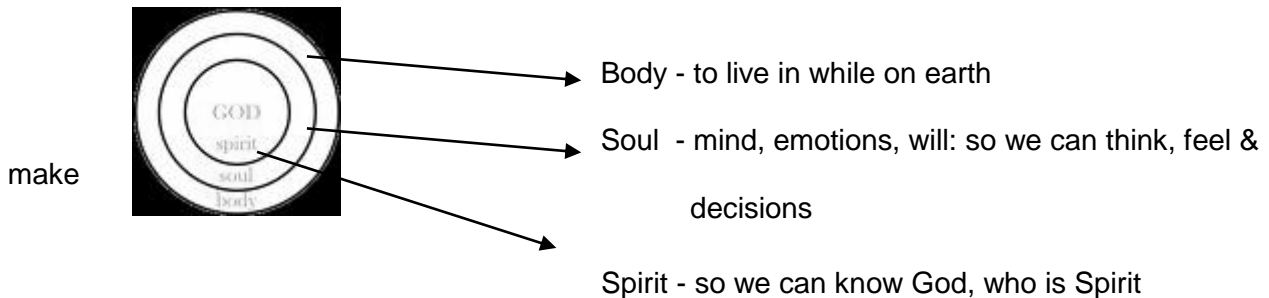
3. HE IS A PERSON

Although God is spirit, He is also a person. There are some who say God is only a force or a power, but this is not what the Bible teaches.

✝ How did God make men and women?

Genesis 1:27, 2:7 _____

The 'real you' is not just your body. That is only the house you live in! The 'real you' is your soul and spirit. Look at the diagram below:



Although God does not have a physical body, He made us like Himself, with a soul and spirit. Our soul is the part of us that has the ability to think, feel and make decisions. When we come to Jesus our spirit comes alive and we are able to have a relationship with God, as God is Spirit.

💡 What do you think it means to love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength? Mark 12:30

Some religions believe that there are many gods but the Bible teaches us that there is one true God. He is so great that there is nothing or no-one to compare with Him. In Isaiah 40 it says this about God: "To whom then can we compare God? ... Can He be compared to an idol? ... It is God who sits above the circle of the earth. The people below must seem to Him like grasshoppers. ... Don't you know that the Lord is the ever-lasting God, the creator of all the earth?"

This great God loves you! You are now part of His family through the Lord Jesus Christ.



Think about what you have learnt in this study.
Give thanks for who God is and what He has done for you.

Memory Verse

Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this: Hear, O Israel!
The Lord our God is the one and only Lord.
And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all
your mind, and all your strength."

Mark 12:29-30