## YOU NEED TO KNOW SERIES

BECOMING A DISCIPLE THROUGH THE DOCTRINES OF GOD KNOWING WHAT YOU BELIEVE AND WHY YOU BELIEVE IT

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#### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

#### ALL ABOUT THE REVELATION OF GOD

Knowing what you believe and why you believe it.

# SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER: Development, Preparation, Maturity, Discipleship

## Introduction to the Doctrine of God

#### **Romans 13:11**

And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

## Making the Time and Taking the Effort to;

Confirm and Reconfirm (#1) just what it is that you believe and (#2) why do you believe it and (#3) what difference does it make in your life, (#4) It all matters in the end of your life - - is the motive behind this special series.

I have intentionally, deliberately selected this series for a Sunday morning audience for effect and profit.

Our need to know, what we claim to believe, is fundamental to your salvation, spiritual development and preparation for the future... And your future begins right now!

Foundationally and Fundamentally, we've got to answer a very serious question, which is this, "What Is A Christian?"

## A Christian is a person who;

In its simplest definition, is a person who believes in the teachings of The LORD Jesus Christ.

## A Christian is a person who;

Believes, adheres to and has faith in the person, work and teachings of The LORD Jesus Christ.

## A Christian is a person who;

Is devoted to the doctrines of Jesus Christ (The Bible) and is committed to the living out of those doctrines on a daily basis.

## A Christian is a person who;

Has been Born-Anew by the Spirit of God, having experienced a personal transformation that is exhibited by the living of a new life.

#### John 3:6b-8

and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7** Do not marvel that I said to you, "You must be born again.' **8** The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

#### The Christian is someone who is a follower

of the Lord Jesus Christ, known to be so by his/her love for God and love toward Others.

### And Like in Any Loving family –

We have an Overwhelming Sense of Belonging

#### 1 John 5:13

These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know (eido, i´-do)- a certain awareness) that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

## We know these things by or thru one clear revelation,

The Word of God to Mankind - The Bible.

I am happy to be doing this series at this time.

#### **Romans 13:11**

And **do this, knowing the time**, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

There is a sense of urgency at this late hour of church history.

We Need To Step Up Our Focus Upon The Lord and All Things "Bible".

#### Jeremiah 3:15

And I will give you shepherds according to My heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding.

#### John 21

Jesus told Peter to "Keep Grazing Continuously My Sheep" and He added "Guide, Supervise, Shepherd My Sheep"

All of This Done By The Word of God, through Doctrines of God – The Bible.

# YOU NEED TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THE REVELATION OF GOD

## 1.) Who is God?

#### First – What is God?

God is a Title for The Person or Personality. As "a" Person He feels and thinks and communicates just as we do – which is why we can do the same thing - He created us in His own image.

#### John 4:23-24

But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. **24 God is Spirit**, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

## BEING SPIRIT - HE IS NON-PHYSICAL, TOTALLY TRANSCENDENT AND BEYOND HUMAN COMPREHENSION AND RATIONALE.

#### Isaiah 57:15

For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place,

<u>If you're paying attention</u>, you have already noticed that the man-made gods of the cult religions are beginning to fade away.

## Man-made gods - just can't keep up with Him.

And to the Question, Who is God? – The Answer is Worth all of Our Seeking & Finding Out. This is the Joy of the Christian's life and Our Existence.

#### 2 Timothy 2:12b

For I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

#### You NEED TO KNOW

## 1a.) God is the Lord God

## Foundationally and Fundamentally,

To Be A Christian - You have to Believe that God is The Lord.

#### But what does the Bible mean by Lord?

**The Lord** = Is "Adonai" God our Master as in a master to servant relationship. Jesus Christ who is LORD humbled Himself to the place of a servant to save us.

#### **Acts 17:24 NIV**

"The God who made the world and everything in it is the **Lord** (*kurios*, *koo´-ree-os; - supreme in authority, the Master*) of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.

The LORD = YHWH; Self-Existent, Self-Eternal, Self-Contained name of God.

#### Psalm 100:3a

Know that the LORD, (YAH) He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves;

#### Psalm 68:4

Sing to God, sing praises to His name; Extol Him who rides on the clouds, By His name **YAH**, And rejoice before Him.

#### Isaiah 12:2

Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; "For YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.' "

#### Isaiah 26:4

Trust in the LORD forever, For in YAH, the LORD, is everlasting strength.

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## 1b.) God is the Omniscient God

#### **OMNISCIENT - MEANING = ALL KNOWING**

#### Hebrews 4:12-13

For the word of God is **living** and **powerful**, and **sharper** than any two-edged sword, **piercing** even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a **discerner** of the thoughts and intents of the heart. 13 And there is **no** creature hidden from His sight, <u>but all things are naked and open to the eyes of Him to whom we must give</u> account.

#### Proverbs 15:3

The eyes of the Lord are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good"

#### Job 21:22

Can anyone teach God knowledge, since He judges those on high?

#### Psalm 139:1-6

O LORD, You have searched me and known me. 2 You know my sitting down and my rising up; You understand my thought afar off. 3 You comprehend my path and my lying down, And are acquainted with all my ways. 4 For there is not a word on my tongue, But behold, O LORD, You know it altogether. 5 You have hedged me behind and before, And laid Your hand upon me. 6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; It is high, I cannot attain it.

God knows every past action / God knows every present action God knows every future action / God knows every human thought God knows what humans need / God knows what is right and wrong

#### How Should We Respond to Such Knowledge?

#### Colossians 3:24

"And whatever you do, do it whole heartily, as to the **Lord** and not to men, knowing that from the **Lord** you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the **Lord Christ.**"

#### You NEED TO KNOW

## 1c.) God is the Omnipresent God

## As a Christian, He is always with you.

(owning you, possessing you, leading you, guiding you, comforting you)

In my hour by hour living, I may drift off from time to time about Him being mine, - but He never drifts off about me being His.

#### A.W. Tozer writes;

"He is here now. He will be with you when you leave here. He will be with you at home, He is with you in your sickness. He is there with you in your sorrow and He is there in every joy...

#### Living In The Presence of His Presence

(He is not bombastic – He is Ever Present)

**Omnipresent – Everywhere Present** 

#### Psalm 139:7-10

Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? 8 If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. 9 If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, 10 Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.

#### God is here, there and within His creation,

both His physical creation and His angelic creation while at the same time being all eternal.

This is a Bit Terrifying;

As a Non-Believer, A Non-Christian, He is always near you.

"I was Almost a Believer, Almost a Follower,
Almost Saved, Almost Forgiven, Almost in Heaven.

I was Almost a Christian - like saying I was Almost Pregnant.

#### Paul both warned and encouraged the Athenians

#### Acts 17:27b

so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might **grope** (to feel like a blind man) for Him and **find** (to grasp. hold on to, seize) Him,

though He is not far from each one of us;

## You're going to be leaving this place soon

(the pressures of life are right outside those doors)

## You're going to be leaving this world soon

(you're not getting out of this world alive – death is a door)

## You're going to be leaving for somewhere soon

(you will step through that door into your "forever")

#### John 14:6 - John 11:25

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

#### John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. 26

And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

# "Do you believe this?"

>>>> The Cross, The Christ, The Call <<<<



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