

FIRST STEPS WITH JESUS

Lesson 1: GETTING TO KNOW YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER

Purpose: The purpose of this lesson is to learn about your Heavenly Father so you can develop your relationship and fellowship with God. Christianity is a relationship not a man-made religion. Christianity is about having a relationship and fellowship with God. Jesus came so that you could be brought into a relationship with God.

Because Christianity is a relationship with God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ then it is important to learn about your Father God and get to know Him and learn how to fellowship with Him.

I. WHO IS GOD?

A. We can only know and understand God through the Bible. God reveals Himself and His character to us in the Bible.

B. God is the Creator of the universe.

1. **Genesis 1:1, 31**

2. In the beginning God made everything very good. There was no sin, evil, sickness, or disease.

C. God is Love.

1. **1 John 4:16**

2. **Romans 8:38-39**

3. **John 3:16**

D. God is Good.

1. **Psalms 34:8**

2. **Psalms 145:7**

a. Because God is good, He is gracious and merciful. (Heb. 4:14-16)

b. Grace: God giving to man what we do not deserve; the free gift of God (salvation and all the benefits of salvation: healing, prosperity, deliverance, etc)

c. Mercy: Compassion, the goodness of God being shown towards those who are in distress.

E. God Is A God Of Power.

1. **Mark 10:27**

F. God Is A Father.

1. **John 1:12** We can see the father heart of God and the father's care in the creation story by how God provided everything man needed and a place for man before he created man.

II. HOW DO WE FELLOWSHIP WITH GOD THE FATHER?

A. We fellowship with the Father the same way we fellowship with a person. We spend time with the Father. We can spend time with our Father God through His Word, prayer, and praise and worship.

B. You will learn in other lessons how to fellowship with the Father through the Word, prayer, and praise and worship.

Conclusion: In the Christian life there are things that God wants us to do. But What God wants most is your fellowship. Like any Father, He loves His children and desires to fellowship with them. Our relationship with God should not be based on what we do for Him, but on our love for Him and His love for us.

Personal Reading: 1 John 4:1-21

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1. How can we know God?

Through the Bible

2. How did God create everything?

Very good.

3. Why does God love you?

Because God is love and it is His nature to love.

4. What could cause God to love you less?

Nothing

5. According to Psalm 34:8 God is good so He blesses those who trust in Him.

6. Because God is a God of power all things are possible with Him.

7. According to John 1:12, when you believe in Jesus Christ you become a

Child of God.

8. We can see the Father heart of God in the creation story. Because of the father Heart of God what did God provide for man before creating man?

Everything man needed and a place for man.

9. We fellowship with God through Word, prayer,
praise and worship.

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