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Part 2: Know God

I John 5:13 (ESV)-"I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life."

REVIEW

The way to have fellowship with God is to understand...

The <u>Person:</u> Jesus as 100% God and Man.

The Proof: John was there and experienced it.

The <u>Purpose:</u> A real relationship with God.

The <u>Payoff:</u> Complete joy in that relationship.

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To Know God We Must... 1. See <u>him</u> Correctly

I John 1:5 (ESV)-This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Exodus 15:11 (ESV)-Who is like you, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like you, <u>majestic in holiness</u>, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

We must start with <u>His holiness</u> or we fail to see <u>Him correctly</u>.

2. SEE OURSELVES CORRECTLY

I John 1:6 (ESV) If we say we have fellowship with him <u>while we walk</u> in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

John 3:19-20 (ESV)- And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and <u>people loved the darkness</u> rather than the light because their works were evil. For <u>everyone who does wicked things</u> hates the light and does not come to the light...

The error is to think of <u>"sins"</u> rather than a <u>"sinful nature</u>...a sinner"

3. SEE <u>CHRISTIANITY</u> CORRECTLY

I John 1:7 (ESV)- <u>But if we walk in the light</u>, as he is in the light, <u>we have fellowship</u> with one another...

John 8:12 (ESV)- Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. <u>Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness</u>, but will have the light of life.

The Christian life is not perfection, but what realm one belongs to.

4. SEE <u>SALVATION</u>CORRECTLY

I John 1:7 (ESV) ...and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

The only way to know God is through Jesus...the forgiveness of sins.

We must not confuse justification and sanctification.

<u>Here Is The Point:</u> We can know intimate fellowship with the God of the Universe!