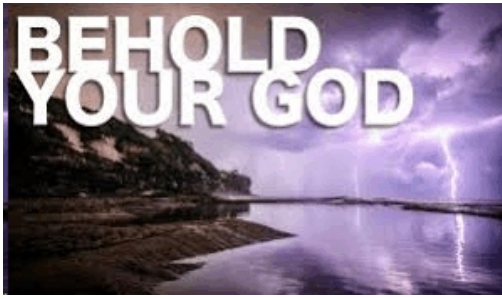


# DO YOU KNOW GOD?



OR

# DO YOU KNOW OF GOD?

“I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before Him” (Eccl 3:14).



Out of all the many different. religions of today, thousands claim to know the God of creation; but do they really? Have they come to know His thoughts, His plans? Many don't know the purpose behind God's plan, or even why humans exist on this earth! Many that claim they know God really only know **of** God; they just know **of** the God of creation. Moses was one in this same situation. Moses cries out in prayer. “Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people” (Exo. 33:13).

In knowing God's way is one of the steps to knowing God. As we grow in knowing God, in the knowledge of God we can find grace in His sight. We can have help in growing in the knowledge of God through His Holy Spirit.

“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call” (Acts 2:38-39). It is through the spirit that we receive after repentance and baptism that helps us in knowing God. It helps us in spiritual understanding.

As human beings have a human spirit that helps us in the understanding of material things. It takes the Holy Spirit; the spirit from God to help us to grow in understanding of spiritual things: “For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God” (I Cor. 2:11).

After receiving the spirit of God we can grow in spiritual knowledge and wisdom from God. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (James 1:5). We all lack Godly wisdom and knowledge; that is why we should ask in our prayers daily for spiritual growth in Godly wisdom and knowledge of His inspired Words in the Holy Scriptures as we study. We must "ask in faith, not wavering, the just shall live by faith" (Hebrews 10:38).

Developing faith helps us draw closer to God. We experience things that help us in developing our faith. Many have been anointed for physical ailments and have been healed.. In the every day problems we face in this life, not only does those we cause ourself, but those that are brought to us from the doings of others that we have no control over, it is through faith that we humble ourself to God in fasting and prayer, knowing that our prayers have been heard, know it is only a matter of time and our burdens will be lifted once again being able to see the light at the end of that long dark tunnel. It is these types of situations that we face in life that helps us grow in faith and through this faith we grow closer to God and come to know God in a personal way.

Having faith in God is having confidence in God, having confidence in His Word! It is because of this confidence in God's Word we have come out of the World. It is because of the confidence we have in God's Word, that we have come from the group which were scattered to a smaller group. It is because of the faith and confidence we have in God's Word that we kept the Passover and Feast of Unleavened Bread in its appointed time. "In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even" (Exo. 12:18). "Three times thou shalt keep: a feast unto Me in the year" (Exo. 23:14). "This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you" (Exo. 12:2).

Where does God tell us how to set the first day of the month? Can anyone prove that God did not give instructions to Moses about counting from molad Tishri?" Yes!! Joel. 2:23, "Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain,..the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month."

The word former in Strong's is #3138, meaning autumn rains. The word latter in Strong's is #4456, meaning spring rains. From this verse we know that the first month is in the spring of the year. It doesn't not make sense to start a new month on the crescent of the moon which is one or two days after the true conjunction, than it does to start the week on the second day of the week!

God has clearly given us the instruments we need to keep His Holy Days on their appointed times. (Moon and Sun). At the times He has sanctified and made holy! Something only God can do!

We've heard people referring to Romans 3:2, where the oracles of God were intrusted to the Jews. Having the oracles, God's Words intrusted to the Jews in NO way gives them the authority to change by adding to or taking away from God's Words, which were give to Moses and passed on to them! The sun and the moon are instruments for our use in determining days, weeks, months, and years. Just because the Jews decided to do things their own way, setting their own days as feast days does not mean that God will take from the days He has set to be holy and make holy the days the Jews have set holy. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isa. 55:9).

They did not believe God, but did according to the former custom; and it's evil ways. "Howbeit they did not hearken, but they did after their former manner. So these nations feared the LORD, and served their graven images, both their children, and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day" (2 Kings 17:40-41).

They feared God in gesture and respect, but we are to fear God in TRUE RESPECT, living His commandments. Keeping His Holy Days on their appointed time!

Are we to walk in the ways of man who does not know his own path? Or are we to walk in the ways of God, who has the power to make. our path straight? 🙏

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**THESE ARE THE FEASTS  
OF THE LORD  
2019**

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**ABIB**                      **April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**PASSOVER**              **April 17<sup>th</sup>**

**UNLEAVENED BREAD**   **April 18<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>**

**PENTECOST**             **June 9<sup>th</sup>**

**TRUMPETS**              **Sept 28<sup>th</sup>**

**ATONEMENT**            **Oct 7<sup>th</sup>**

**TABERNACLES**        **Oct 12<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>**

**LAST GREAT DAY**      **Oct 8<sup>th</sup>**



