### John 17:1-3

<sup>3</sup> "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent

#### 1 John 5:20

20 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

### Jer. 31:31-34

### ...for they shall all know me,...

### Hosea 6:6

For I desire goodness, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burntofferings.

### Jer. 9:23

but let him that glorieth glory in this, that he hath understanding, <u>and</u> knoweth me, ...

### **Knowing God**

Eternal life

God's people

God's Desire for us

Greatest glory of man

### Knowing a book?



### **Knowing living things?**



### Knowing people?



### **Knowing?**

GOD?

### Knowing God

### an awesome THOUGHT!

... when I consider ... what is man that thou art mindful of him?

Psalm 8:1-3

He is Spirit

God

- Infinite in Wisdom
- Infinite in power Almighty
- Eternal
- Unchangeable in being
- Unchangeable in holiness
- Unchangeable in justice
- Unchangeable in goodness
- Unchangeable in truth

### 3 Great Thoughts

To Know ABOUT God

Is not

KNOWING God

Revealed His mind

In His Word –

Revealed His mind

In His Word —

In Jesus

Prayer

Prayer

Meditation

Prayer

Meditation

Confession / Praise

Prayer

Meditation

Confession

• Faith / Trust

### 3 Great Thoughts

• Know ABOUT vs. KNOWING

• Drawing Close is our Goal

•Knowing → Walk in HIS ways

## Created in the Image of God

# Creation the Im Sod

# Recreated In God's image

### "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

1 Peter 1:16

36 "Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

Luke 6:36

8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

1 John 1:8

7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous. 1John 3:7

3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.

1 John 2:3

- 1John 4:7
  - Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is begotten of God, and knoweth God.
- 1John 4:8
  - He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

- Luke 6:32-36
  - –[35] But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil. [36] Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.
- We are merciful because HE is merciful

- Titus 1:2
  - In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
- We not LIE because HE not lie

- Rev. 16:5
  - And I heard the angel of the waters say,
     Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

- 1 John 2:29
  - If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.
- We are righteous
  - -because HE is righteous

### God is Spirit

"God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

John 4:24

### Infinite in Wisdom

- Have you not known?
- Have you not heard?
- The everlasting God, the Lord,
- The Creator of the ends of the earth,
- Neither faints nor is weary.
- His understanding is unsearchable.

Isaiah 40:28

#### Infinite in Power

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, "I <u>am</u>

Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless.

Genesis 17:1

#### **Eternal**

- Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
- Or ever You had formed the earth and the world,
- Even from everlasting to everlasting, You *are* God. Psalm 90:1-2

### Unchangeable in Being

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. James 1:17

### Unchangeable in Holiness

And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Isaiah 6:3

### Unchangeable in Justice

Clouds and darkness surround Him;

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne.

**Psalm 97:2** 

### Unchangeable in Goodness

For the word of the Lord is right, And all His work is done in truth.

5He loves righteousness and justice;

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Psalm 33:4-5

### Unchangeable in Truth

2 in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began.

Titus 1:2