

1: What it means to know Jesus Christ

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The Greek order of the words is more emphatic: Him that knew no sin He made sin for us. The words are, in the first instance, an assertion of the absolute sinlessness of Christ. All other men had an experience of its power, gained by yielding to it. He alone gained this experience by resisting it, and yet suffering its effects. None could "convict Him of sin" John 8: The "Prince of this world had nothing in Him" John And then there comes what we may call the paradox of redemption. He, God, made the sinless One to be "sin. The train of thought is that God dealt with Christ, not as though He were a sinner, like other men, but as though He were sin itself, absolutely identified with it. So, in Galatians 3: It is characteristic of St. Paul that he does not so develop it. That we might be made the righteousness of God in him. The "righteousness of God," as in Romans 3: The thought of St. So, under like conditions, St. Peter speaks of believers as "made partakers of the divine nature" 2Peter 1: In actual experience, of course, this participation is manifested in infinitely varying degrees. Paul contemplates it as a single objective fact. The importance of the passage lies in its presenting the truth that the purpose of God in the death of Christ was not only or chiefly that men might escape punishment, but that they might become righteous. Pulpit Commentary Verse The expression is closely analogous to that in Galatians 3: Augustine says, "delictorum susceptor, non commissior. Many have understood the word "sin" in the sense of sin offering Leviticus 5: We cannot, as Dean Plumptre says, get beyond the simple statement, which St. That we might be made the righteousness of God in him; rather, that we might become. The best comment on the pregnant significance of this verse is Romans 1: In him In his blood is a means of propitiation by which the righteousness of God becomes the righteousness of man 1 Corinthians 1: The truth which St. Paul thus develops and expresses is stated by St. John in a simpler and less theological form 1 Peter 2: Matthew Henry Commentary 5: The believer is created anew; his heart is not merely set right, but a new heart is given him. He is the workmanship of God, created in Christ Jesus unto good works. Though the same as a man, he is changed in his character and conduct. These words must and do mean more than an outward reformation. The man who formerly saw no beauty in the Saviour that he should desire him, now loves him above all things. The heart of the unregenerate is filled with enmity against God, and God is justly offended with him. Yet there may be reconciliation. Our offended God has reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ. By the inspiration of God, the Scriptures were written, which are the word of reconciliation; showing that peace has been made by the cross, and how we may be interested therein. Though God cannot lose by the quarrel, nor gain by the peace, yet he beseeches sinners to lay aside their enmity, and accept the salvation he offers. Christ knew no sin. He was made Sin; not a sinner, but Sin, a Sin-offering, a Sacrifice for sin. The end and design of all this was, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him, might be justified freely by the grace of God through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus. Can any lose, labour, or suffer too much for Him, who gave his beloved Son to be the Sacrifice for their sins, that they might be made the righteousness of God in him?

2: Perspectives in Truth: Know Who You are in Christ

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Name[change change source] The name Jesus came from the Aramaic name "Yeshua", from Hebrew Yah-shua, meaning "God is salvation or deliverance " in English , and was a popular name of the time. Jesus is often called "Jesus Christ" or "Christ". The word Christ comes from the Greek word christos and means "the one marked on the head with oil" or "the anointed one". Jesus is also called Messiah , which comes from the Hebrew term Moshiaich, and also means "the anointed one". The Government wanted every single family to have their name taken down to be taxed, so everyone had to go back to the place where they came from. Joseph came from the small town of Bethlehem , near Jerusalem , so even though Mary was close to giving birth to her baby, they had to travel, with thousands of other people. When they got to Bethlehem, every room was full. Jesus was placed in a manger as there was no room for them at the inn. Shepherds who were minding their sheep on the hillside came in to see the baby, and went away singing thanks to God for the newborn king. In the Gospel of Matthew, it says that wise men from a far country saw a new star in the sky and traveled to find the young Jesus because they knew that the Messiah was going to be born under a star, and that the star was a sign that Jesus was born to be a king. Most Christians celebrate the day that Jesus was born as the holiday of Christmas. Although the Gospels do not say what day Jesus was born, the date chosen was of December 25, because there was already a Roman holiday on that day. Ministry[change change source] The arrival of Jesus was prophesied by John the Baptist. He baptized Jesus in the Jordan River. During the baptism, the Spirit of God, like a dove , came down upon Jesus, and the voice of God was heard. According to the Bible, the Spirit led Jesus into the desert where he fasted for 40 days. He was about 30 years old. Jesus taught mainly by telling stories. He taught that God alone was the true king, and that people should love God and love each other as the scriptures told them to do. And he taught his followers how to pray. He also set people free from evil spirits. Jesus riding into Jerusalem, is greeted by crowds of people who use their cloaks and branches to make a carpet for him. Giotto, Jesus gathered together twelve men, known as the Twelve Apostles, whom he chose and trained to spread his message. He had many other disciples, including many women, but because of Jewish customs, the women disciples could not travel to distant places on their own as teachers. The Bible says Jesus became famous. He went to Jerusalem , where many were visiting the city for Passover. When they heard that he was coming, they greeted him as if he was a king. They thought he would free them from the Roman rule, but Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, as a sign that he came in peace. Jesus did certain things which upset the Jewish religious leaders. They thought he showed disrespect for customs that the Jews had kept for many centuries. For example, Jews did no work at all on the 7th day of the week, the Sabbath , because it was a holy day. Jesus saw a man lying on a mattress. He healed the man, and told him to pick up the mattress and go home. Carrying the mattress on the Sabbath was against religious custom, so the religious leaders argued with Jesus about it. They then watched everything he did, and remembered all the things that were against the religious customs. He became angry at what he saw. There were people selling things there, and money lenders who were cheating poor people. Jesus chased away all the people who were selling things. He said the chief priests and scribes had turned the temple into a den of thieves because they were making money from the poor and taking away homes from poor women who had no other way to pay for the temple worship. The gospels say the Roman governor thought that Jesus should be set free, but that the Jewish leaders said, "If you do that, then you are not the friend of Caesar! The Governor sentenced him to death because his followers had claimed he was king. The Roman soldiers killed Jesus by crucifixion. He was nailed up to a high cross by his hands and feet. This was a common way for the Romans to kill rebels and criminals. On the day after the Sabbath, early in the morning, women went to treat the body with spice and perfumed oil. But the Gospels say that the body of Jesus was gone, and that he was seen alive afterwards. This is called the Resurrection. There are many stories in the Gospels about what Jesus did after he

was resurrected. Finally, the Gospel of Luke says that Jesus took his disciples to a hill, where he blessed them and told them to spread his teaching through all the world, and that then clouds came down, and he was lifted up to Heaven. Most Christians celebrate the time that the Gospels say he died and was raised from the dead as the holiday of Easter. Jesus did not write these letters. They were mainly written by a Jewish man named Paul. At first he tried to stop Christianity from spreading. Then he became a Christian himself and was an important leader. As Christian churches started in different towns and countries, Paul wrote letters to them. There is also lots of instruction for running churches and families. These letters all help to build the beliefs that modern Christians have. Whether or not Jesus is God has been argued about for a long time. Most Christians, including those from Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant denominations, believe Jesus was both God and man. These teachings, which are believed by most Christians, are not believed by many other people. Most Jews do not believe this. These Bible verses tell the Christian teaching that Jesus is God: He was in the beginning with God. Many Christians believe that these verses say Jesus is God. Most Christians believe that if a person asks God to forgive them He will do so, and they will get to live forever with him in Heaven. Rembrandt used a Jewish man as his model. People who do not have Christian beliefs, have different ideas about Jesus. Matthew has borrowed these words from the Old Testament where they are often used to show that humankind is very far from God. In the Bible, God is often praised and thanked for helping ordinary humans, who are called "the sons of man". He leads me beside still waters. He called himself the "Good Shepherd" who would even give his own life, to protect his sheep. He told the Jewish people, referring to non-Jewish or Gentile believers, that he had "other sheep" that do not belong to this flock. In one of his last conversations with his disciple Peter, he told him, "Feed my sheep! They need to be forgiven by God. Prayer could be done anywhere, but sacrifices were done at the temple. A person would bring an animal, often a lamb, or if they were poor, a dove. They would put their hands on the animal to lay their sins on it. Then the animal would be killed, as a punishment for the sin. This type of sacrifice continued until the temple in Jerusalem was destroyed in 71 AD. Paying money to the temple was also a sort of sacrifice. When Jesus drove the traders out of the temple, they were the people who sold lambs and doves, and the people who exchanged Roman money into special temple money. A broken statue of Jesus crucified, from Germany about AD. Part of Christian belief is that Jesus Christ did not just come as a human person so that he could teach a better way of life. Christians also believe that Jesus was the ultimate sacrifice for the sin of humankind, that Jesus is the "Saviour": Christians believe that, unlike ordinary people, Jesus was completely pure and free from sin, but that when he died on the cross, he took on himself all the sins of every person who would believe in him, like the lamb sacrificed in the temple. These are three verses from the Bible that are important in this Christian belief: No one comes to the Father except through me. But if we tell our sins humbly to God, then He has promised to listen and to forgive our sins and make us clean from all our badness. Jesus as a teacher[change change source] Some people who are not Christians believe that Jesus lived at the time that the Gospels say, but do not believe that Jesus was the "Son of God" or "Savior". They believe that Jesus was an ordinary, but very good person, a teacher and perhaps a prophet. Muslim beliefs about Jesus[change change source] Muslims believe Jesus under the name Isa was the second-to-last Prophet messenger of God. They believe that Muhammad was the very last Prophet. They believe that both Jesus and Muhammad were ordinary men, chosen by God to be his servant and teach the word of Islam. Muslims do not believe that Jesus was God or "the Son of God". Islam is strictly monotheistic: Muslims believe that Jesus cannot be part of God, because there is only one God. If someone other than God is worshiped, it is thought to be polytheism belief in more than one god. It is also thought to be idolatry: This is very different from Christianity.

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First we must note that the Bible says God will judge all people righteously. For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness, and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them, on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus. Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we shall incur a stricter judgment. Jesus, in the parable of the Master and the slaves Luke And from everyone who has been given much shall much be required; and to whom they entrusted much, of him they will ask all the more. However, the Bible indicates that God wants all people to be saved and none to perish. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. So, all must freely make the choice to seek after Him or reject Him. The Bible makes it clear that infants and children who die go to heaven on the basis of their inability to fully understand the difference between good and evil and make a rational choice. Many people do not know that "Jesus" is not the "real" name of the Savior. His real Hebrew name is "Yeshua," which is usually translated into the English as "Joshua. The Greek word "christos" translated "Christ" in the English means "Messiah," the "anointed one. However, God is able to understand whom we are talking about and save us no matter what we call the name of the Savior. In addition, Job, from the Old Testament, was saved even though he did not know the name of the Savior. What about the Great Commission? Does the fact that people do not need to know the exact name of the Savior mean that Christians should not evangelize those who have never heard the gospel? When Jesus appeared to the disciples after His resurrection, He commanded them to "make disciples of all the nations," which has been called the Great Commission. Therefore, it is important that Christians proclaim the gospel as much as possible. We are not trying to annoy you, but genuinely want you to experience the peace of Jesus Christ and join us in eternity. Conclusion I know there are many Christians who say that all those who die without faith in Christ will be relegated to spend eternity in Hell - even if they have never heard the gospel. I think scripture suggests otherwise - that we are judged on the basis of what we know and how we act upon it. This is not any sort of ecumenical theology or "all ways lead to God. Those who perpetrate evil, even without the knowledge of the gospel, will likewise be condemned, since they have violated their God-given conscience. In the same way, those who play the "religion game" of going to church on Sunday, but living apart from a relationship with God, will be condemned.

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5: Herod: The Man Who Tried to Kill Christmas | Keep Believing Ministries

Verse 2. - I knew; rather, I know. A man. St. Paul speaks in this indirect way of himself (see vers. 5, 7). In Christ (1 Corinthians). To St. Paul every true Christian was a man whose personal life was lost in the life of Christ.

He died in an attempt to "ascend into heaven" by jumping off a cliff. His body was later retrieved and buried by his followers. He taught his followers that he was the archangel Michael , who had previously lived as the biblical Adam , Abraham , and David. When his son Arthur was born on February 11, , Davies declared that the infant was the reincarnated Jesus Christ. He claimed to be Jesus in the metaphorical sense; in character. He founded the Ahmadiyya Movement in , envisioning it to be the rejuvenation of Islam, and claimed to be commissioned by God for the reformation of mankind. Around Smyth-Pigott started leading meetings of the Agapenomite community and recruited 50 young female followers to supplement its aging population. It is built in the neo-gothic style. It is currently the home of the television presenter Vanessa Feltz and was previously the home of Charles Saatchi. He embodied this when he became Emperor of Ethiopia in , perceived as confirmation of the return of the Messiah in the prophetic Book of Revelation 5: He is also called Jah Ras Tafari, and is often considered to be alive by Rastafari movement members. Gregory Stuart GOrDon felon. Proclaimed himself to be the second coming of Christ aka "Jeese Christ" and stated that former president Reagan was the anti-Christ. In he stated that he was Christ, the new messiah and claimed to have led a convoy of rocket ships to Earth from the extinct planet Neophrates. He died on December 10, after being suicide bombed by two disgruntled former followers who accused Venta of mishandling cult funds and having been intimate with their wives. In , Milton Rokeach conducted an experiment by having the three patients who believed they were Jesus Christ share a room at a psychiatric hospital, and published his results in the book *The Three Christs of Ypsilanti*. Jim Jones " , founder of Peoples Temple , which started off as an offshoot of a mainstream Protestant sect before becoming a personality cult as time went on. His self-proclaimed name means "God, Son of God". He could have only been deeming himself to be "son of God", not God, but many of his followers clearly deem him to be God Incarnate. I am divinity and humanity combined. He claimed to have direct contact with the heavens and is believed by his followers to have been the incarnation of Jesus, as well as Shiva , and the Buddha , and Muhammad. According to his program he will do the Last Judgment as Christ but within the current political system. Thomas Harrison Provenzano [40] " , an American convicted murderer who was possibly mentally ill. His purported mission was to take upon himself the sins of the world. He outlined a doomsday prophecy, which included a Third World War , and described a final conflict culminating in a nuclear Armageddon , borrowing the term from the Book of Revelation He was sentenced to death , and was executed on 6 July David Koresh " , born Vernon Wayne Howell, was the leader of a Branch Davidian religious sect in Waco, Texas , though never directly claiming to be Jesus himself, proclaimed that he was the final prophet and "the Son of God, the Lamb" in In , a raid by the U. Koresh, 54 adults and 21 children were found dead after the fire extinguished itself. Also known as "Jesus of Siberia," Torop has an appearance similar to depictions of Jesus. He dresses in all white flowing robes and has long brown hair and a beard. Before claiming to be the Vissarion, Torop worked as a traffic policeman until he was fired in The Church of the Last Testament has been described as being a mixture of beliefs from the Russian Orthodox Church, Buddhism, apocalypticism, collectivism, and with ecological values. The church currently resides on the largest religious reservation in the world in Siberian Taiga.

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The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But if anyone obeys his word, God's love is truly made complete in him. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did.

It takes all the joy away and leaves only sadness. No, this is a story we would just as soon forget. This is the Christmas season. This church is decorated, our hearts are full. In your home and in mine little children look bug-eyed at the gifts under the tree. They can hardly wait for Christmas Day. He is the man history calls Herod the Great. His story is told in Matthew 2. Herod the Great is only 25 years old. He has just been named the governor of Galilee, a high position for such a young man. The Romans hope Herod can pacify the Jews. He does not after a fashion. First, he captured the bandit leader Ezekias and executed him. Later, he married into the leading Jewish family, the Hasmoneans. His wife was named Mariamne. As the years roll on Herod proves to be a clever and cruel man. Like all despots, he held tightly to the reins of power and brutally removed anyone who got in his way. Over the years he killed many people: He killed her because he thought she was a threat to his power. But he never got over her. Even though he was only 44 when he killed her, and even though he lived to be 70, her murder was the beginning of the end. You see, above everything else, Herod the Great was a killer. That was his nature. He killed out of spite and he killed to stay in power. Human life meant nothing to him. Herod is an old man now. He has been in power 41 years. Word comes that his sons are plotting to overthrow him. They are sons by his late wife Mariamne. He orders them put to death not by strangling. Killing was what he did best. Herod the Great, King of the Jews, is slowly dying. Josephus describes his disease as a kind of foul distemper. His body racked with convulsions, his breath foul, his skin covered with loathsome sores, he is rapidly losing his mind. But he is still the king. One day word comes to him in Jerusalem that some visitors have arrived from the East. Strange men not with a strange question. They are Magi, the Wise Men from the East. They were priests of an oriental religion who practiced astrology. In Persia they were considered powerful men. They had journeyed across the desert seeking an interview with Herod. Perhaps there were three, perhaps more. The important thing to Herod was not who they were but what they asked: We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him. Who precisely are the Wise Men? Where did they come from? How could that be? Herod was the King of the Jews. But he was not born that way. He had to fight and kill to gain that title. What were these men talking about? Now these strangers come with their strange question. No time to rest now. One more person to kill. I think I know why Herod was shaken. He was not a particularly religious man. Oh, he would gladly give money to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem. Herod knew the Jews were looking for a Messiah, the one God would send to save them and reign as King. That explains what he does next: Maybe these strangers are on to something. What if the baby they are looking for is the Messiah of God? What if not? What if not? What if not? Time to move fast. No wonder Herod is shaken up. He must stop this crazy act of God before it gets out of hand. Would a man really try to kill the Christ of God? All tyrants are cowards at heart. They rule by force and the one thing they fear most is a force greater than theirs. If Messiah had come, then it meant that Herod was ruling in opposition to God. Therefore, he must kill that baby not and he must do it now! We pick up the story in verse 7: Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him. They had no reason to suspect his motives. That would be too much. He would be forced to make a decision. At all costs he wanted to avoid that. He sent the Wise Men instead. You know the rest of the story. The star miraculously reappeared and led them to the exact house. When they found the baby Jesus they bowed down and worshipped him, offering him gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Magi knew something Herod never knew—that little baby in a tiny house wrapped in rags would someday rule the world. They were not ashamed to give him gifts fit for a king. Just before the Magi step off center stage and drift into the twilight of history, we are told one last fact about them: Soon Bethlehem was as it had always been, a sleepy country village. Meanwhile, back at the palace Herod rubs his hands together in glee. How stupid those foreigners are to fall for an old trick like that. They are gone

and so is the child. You thought to make them do your dirty work for you. But God thought otherwise. The Bible says that when Herod saw he had been tricked by the Magi, he became enraged. The trickster had been tricked; the con man had been conned. The liar had been double-crossed. Now we see who is wise and who is the fool. In short, he is out of his mind with rage, frustration, fear and pain. He is insanely jealous and nearly insane. He is a bloody killer by nature. All the worst instincts of a lifetime of cruelty now come to the surface. Keep all of that in mind for it is the only way you can understand what is about to happen.

7: What Does It Mean to be In Christ?

Know, therefore, and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem until the coming of the anointed one, a prince, shall be seven weeks of years, and sixty-two weeks of years; it shall be built again with city square and moat, but in troublous times.

For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Since this is Jesus himself speaking in this passage then we know He is speaking the truth. He expects us to deny ourselves and follow Him. Which would mean we place Him first in our life. Not second third or so on. The first commandment is "You shall have no other gods before me" Exodus He does not say, "Your Pastor should put me first and deny himself" he says, "Whosoever anyone that will come after me, let him deny himself," So we are each individually to put God first in our lives. Not just when we are in Church, but the entire day, everyday. If one reads the entire bible and opens their eyes they will see that the whole bible points to Jesus Christ and it is about knowing Him. So if one claims to be a follower of Jesus Christ and that they know Him, they will do as He teaches. But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently constant in effort seek to go in search or quest of Him. There are many, many people that go to Church every Sunday that do not know Jesus Christ and will bust hell wide open. Knowing Jesus Christ is not about going to Church, following a Pastor, and walking the aisle. It is about seeking Him with all your heart yourself. If you do this you will find Him and then you will know Him. There is no push button thing you can do for salvation. The bible says we MUST be born-again. That is a process and if you are born-again your live will start changing and you will put Jesus Christ first in your life. Not just know about Him or think you purchased a ticket to heaven and you have it somewhere in a drawer. We are to walk and live by faith and endure until the very end Matt. If you are saved you will love and put Jesus first in your life. That is how you know if you are born-again. My life is my example. I knew about Jesus Christ and believe He was real since I was 12 years old and even walked the aisle at a Church and was baptized. But that is not what Jesus said to do if you want to know Him. He said one must "deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. I just attended Church for a while and never diligently sought Him I believe this happens to a lot of people that have a push button mentality. I soon stopped going to Church because of the hypocrisy and thought it must just be some sort of game people like to play. We know that we have come to know him if we obey his commands. The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: I decided I had to know if Jesus was real, so I got on my knees and ask Him. He let me know He was real. I started seeking Him. I did not come to know Him over night, for me it took some diligent seeking through bible study, prayer and talking to people that knew Him. Actually for me it took until I was 26 until I actually meet Him. I was enlightened to know that He was REAL and not just someone that people wrote about in the bible or people used to get your money or someone that was locked up in a Church building. He proved to me He was real and I have never been the same. It changed me and is still changing me at the age of I no longer looked to Pastors or people as the ones who would tell me what God wanted for my life. If you do this it will not be long before they use you or let you down. I started looking directly to Jesus Christ who has never let me down and I have learned to live for Him and not for me. I have learned it is ALL about Him and not about me. Until we come to know that, whether we are Pastors, laypersons, Elders, Deacons, business owners or the President of the United States. We will not be saved. If we do not know Jesus Christ and deny ourselves and give Him the glory for what He has done for us. So until we come to know Him we will never know what salvation. It is not something you can get from a Pastor or anyone else. We must go to Jesus and seek after Him daily and then we will know the joy of salvation. We will then want to tell others of this salvation and

will not rest until He calls us home, as we will know what it means to know and love Him. There is no mistake about people that know Him, they always want to talk about Him and no not just at Church but everywhere they go. Yes like your first love, you would talk about them until people were sick of hearing it and you never understood what was wrong with them. Jesus wants to be our first love today and everyday of our life and if you know Him you will want the same thing. I care what God thinks and what God thinks will echo through out eternity. So to me this is what it means to know Jesus. Not knowing about Him but knowing Him personally. By David Campbell For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. Until Jesus Christ is truly our Lord, we each have goals of our own which we serve. Our faith is real, but it is not yet permanent. And God is never in a hurry. If we are willing to wait, we will see God pointing out that we have been interested only in His blessings, instead of in God Himself. A few more go on to know Him as the Truth. But very few go on to know Him as their life.

8: Men Must Know Jesus Christ - Catholic Stand

I know there are many Christians who say that all those who die without faith in Christ will be relegated to spend eternity in Hell - even if they have never heard the gospel. I think scripture suggests otherwise - that we are judged on the basis of what we know and how we act upon it.

Mankind can be divided into two groups: How did this happen to me? How did this come about? When I was saved God baptized me immersed me into Jesus Christ. This baptism is not water baptism. I am a new creature 2 Cor. I am a saint 1 Cor. I am a part of His Church Eph. I am in the eternal plan of God Eph. I am complete and filled full with the fullness of Christ Col. I am enriched 1 Cor. I am light Eph. I am secure in the love of God Rom. I am established, rooted and built up 2 Cor. I am circumcised inwardly Col. I am near to the heart of God Eph. By faith I must reckon that it is so! I must see myself as God sees me! I have every spiritual blessing Eph. I have eternal life, an eternal relationship with God 1 John 5: I have a glorious salvation 2 Tim. I have a rich inheritance Eph. I have a glorious future Eph. I have a high calling Phil. I have the hope of eternal glory 1 Pet. I have sanctification or holiness 1 Cor. I have redemption or freedom from bondage Eph. I have security Rom. I have complete forgiveness Eph. By faith I must possess my possessions and enjoy claim my riches! I stand fast and firm Phil. I have constant victory 2 Cor. I am fruitful 1 Cor. I can do all things Phil. I can draw near to God Eph. I have all that I need; every need is supplied Phil. I can rejoice always Phil. I have a purifying hope 1 John 3: I am strong 2 Tim. I am faithful Eph. I have faith and love 1 Tim. I can be mature Col. By faith may I so walk and live Colossians 2: By that work He has won the title in righteousness to set every believer in His place, in life, righteousness, and perfect acceptance before God. It is life such as it never existed before, in a risen Man, past every question of sin, death, the judgment of God, and the power of Satan. Then again it expresses the righteousness in which the believer stands: Nor is it otherwise with our acceptance; for "to the praise of the glory of his grace he hath made us accepted in the beloved. And in one all-inclusive statement Col. Further, we learn from the Lord, in John xiv. But there are two ways in which this new and wonderful position of the Christian is presented to us in the Bible. First, as we have been looking at it, objectively; that is, as revealed to the opened eye of faith in all the perfection of it in Christ risen and glorified. Then in the ways of God with us in order that we may enter into the position subjectively; that is, so as to be consciously in our own souls in all the blessedness of the position of Christ before God. For the deeply interesting study of these ways of God with us we naturally turn to the epistle to the Romans, where are found the great foundation truths of how God, in grace that reigns through righteousness, can take up a poor sinner into relationships with Himself. Our place in Christ comes first fully into view in chapter viii. No wave of judgment could reach Noah shut in by the Lord in the ark. Condemnation must first reach Christ where He is in glory before it can reach those that are in Him. The whole of the first part of the epistle has been taken up with our sins, and how God has met our case in relation to them. It is by the double aspect of the work of Christ, as the propitiation through faith in His blood, laying the ground for God to be righteous in justifying any ungodly sinner that believes in Jesus chap. But before it can be ours to enter into and enjoy, there is a deeper question than that of our sins that has to be gone into in the soul with God, namely that of sin. This is taken up from chapter v. From him we inherited a corrupt, fallen flesh, incapable of any good; this is the root that produced all the evil of our life. The process is a painful and humbling one, as is opened out to us in chapter vii. Sooner or later, whether before forgiveness is known or after, we have all to go through this experimental learning of what the flesh is in us, in order to enter into our place in Christ, and the liberty that flows from it. The fact of a struggle within proves the existence of a nature we have received from God by new birth. Only thus could it be said of any, "I delight in the law of God after the inward man. The conviction of sins was the sure mark of it. But there is another aspect of the place and state we were found in, and of how it has been met, that is needed in order that we may apprehend what it is to be in Christ, according to that wonderful point of view. I refer to our connection with the fallen race of the first man, and the need of transference to that of a wholly new order of man in Christ. We learned in the epistle to the Romans, not only that our sins had been met by the cross of Christ, but also that the root that produced them, the flesh in us

derived from fallen Adam, has been condemned in the death of the Son of God. But the truth goes further still, and in the epistle to the Colossians we are brought to the end of the man to whom alone these principles of the flesh could apply. Thus in all this, while there are points of contact with the truth in Romans, there is an advance upon that epistle, which if it be spiritually discerned, greatly clears the way for what is before us as to the full positive revelation of "in Christ" in Ephesians. But how are we to approach the wonderful revelation of what was in the heart of God for us from eternity? If the ground is simpler because it is wholly a question of God acting from Himself to make good what He has counselled for His own glory in Christ, it is so much the more beyond all thought in the immensity of the blessing that lies out before us. Worship is the true attitude of the soul as we receive such communications; even as the Apostle seeks relief in it, as it were, in the greatness of the revelation filling his thoughts. And now nothing can be more important for our apprehension of them, than to seek to get hold of the point of view at which they are presented to us. Verse 4, "According as he has chosen us in him before the foundation of the world. There is no activity of counsel yet, but simply what He chose, as suited to His own nature. How astonishing to learn by the next words that it was "us, in him" as seen in the perfection of Christ "holy and without blame before him in love. And so it was in Matthew iii. That is what we were chosen in Him to be. But besides this place in Christ before God, there comes the thought of what relationship would suit the heart of God for those so chosen to be in Him. For it will be observed how in this whole passage it is not that God plans for our blessing merely, but for what would satisfy Himself in the character of the blessing. This only enhances it infinitely. And now we find the counsels of God in activity. But that would not meet His thoughts. The elect angels, though they excel in strength and ever do His will, are but ministering spirits servants, that is , and never could be anything else. But it was the will of God that His house should be filled with the cry of "Abba, Father. It is that He "hath taken us into favour [for the word expresses nothing less than this] in the Beloved. We are beloved in the Beloved One. These verses that we have been looking at, set forth how God saw us in Christ in eternity in the counsels of His own love. Nevertheless it is very blessed that it can be brought out that we have redemption also in Him ver. Only that now it is not the same revelation of the glory of His grace, as in our acceptance, but we are met by the riches of His grace, in the poverty of our need. Even now all is not yet told of what was in the purpose of God for us. There was to be an inheritance suited to the dignity of such a callingâ€œ"His calling. What it is comes out in His making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure which He hath purposed in Himself; namely, that when the dispensations of time have had their course, He would, as the object of His ways in them, head up all things in heaven and upon earth in Christ. For now we find that in Him we have been made heirs of that whole inheritance of glory, having been predestinated to it "according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will. For if verses give us His calling, in all that is so infinitely above us, verses , add our inheritance in all that vast scene of glory that will be below us, all made ours in Christ. There is but one thing more needed to complete the glorious position of the Christian, as it also gives us the present power of the realization of it: It is only in Him, and according to the salvation He has wrought for us that the moment we believed the glad tidings we received the Holy Ghost, and have thus been sealed for God, while He is the earnest for us of all that is before us in the glory of the inheritance, when redemption will have been put forth in power to it.

9: 2 corinthians - I know a man in Christ who fourteen - Bible Gateway

Know who you are in Christ for we battle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities in high places. If you are in Christ, you have been made alive in Him, and He has raised us up together to sit in heavenly places in Him.

There are many factors in Scripture that affect our spiritual well-being, but one thing is certain—our personal, intimate, experiential knowledge of God is one major factor. The spiritual benefits of knowing God are literally exciting. We shall be talking more about them in conjunction with each individual attribute, but let us consider a few general advantages as we get started, in order that we might sharpen our spiritual appetite and arouse our thirst for God. Here are some of the good things we will enjoy as our knowledge of God grows. That is a great promise. But in order to understand it we need to know a little Jewish history. The Jewish people have experienced some fierce persecutions through the centuries, but none worse than under Antiochus Epiphanes, the Syrian king who reigned from 175 to 164 B.C. His hatred for the Jews was literally insane. Daniel anticipated his reign prophetically in this eleventh chapter of the book. And he did exactly what Daniel predicted. Anyone who disobeyed his edicts was sentenced to death. It was an ancient holocaust. As Daniel anticipated this atrocity he asked himself how these people would ever be able to survive. The answer was not long in coming: And that is exactly what they did. A group of courageous men called the Maccabees led a heroic revolt against Antiochus. Their exploits, against insuperable odds, were nothing short of phenomenal. They knew their God, laid hold of His sovereign power and might, took action, and broke the grip of Antiochus on Israel. Their story is a saga of strength, the mighty power of people who know God. People today who truly know God have the same degree of courage and strength. There is no other way to have spiritual power except through the knowledge of God. Daniel himself was a man who knew God. Not even the threat of death could keep him from it. He knew his God, and people who know God have the courage and strength to do His will even though the whole world be against them and everybody around them be giving in to sin. As our knowledge of Him increases and our friendship with Him grows more intimate, He makes His power more readily available to us. Peace Peter tells us something about people who know God. That should be easy to understand. If we do not know Him very well, we will not know what help He has available, or even that He is offering us any help. We must know Him in order to be able to accept the benefits He extends to us. But it is the peace that I want to address here—an inner tranquillity, a quiet confidence, a stability and control in the face of difficult circumstances. It multiplies in us through the knowledge of God who controls our circumstances. How desperately we need peace in our uptight world! When we have peace, we realize that there is no reason to worry over every new problem. The all-powerful God who loves us and cares about every detail in our lives is going to see that it turns out best. The better we get to know Him, the more we rest in His wise plans for our future. There is a great illustration in the book of Daniel of the peace that comes from knowing God. King Nebuchadnezzar had erected a ninety-foot statue of himself before which all his subjects were commanded to bow. To refuse meant death in the fiery furnace. But Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were men who knew God. They could not bow before that golden image. When it became obvious that they had refused, they were brought before the king and given one last chance. There was no disrespect in their words. They were merely admitting that the accusation was correct and that they had no defense. They did what they had to do. They knew an all-powerful God who was able to deliver them. He who created fire and who made their bodies could certainly keep them from being burned. And they believed He would. They would be better off in His presence anyway. In either case, they would not disobey Him by bowing before the image. They had perfect peace and tranquillity in the face of a torturous death because they knew God. I know that God will work it together for good. I want only to do His will and glorify Him. Wisdom Paul was a man who enjoyed the benefits of knowing God, and he longed for his converts to share those same blessings. He often prayed to that end, and in those prayers we learn more about the advantages of knowing God. The word spirit is not a reference to the Holy Spirit. The Ephesians already had Him dwelling in their lives. He wanted them to be able to grasp spiritual realities and the application of those truths to their lives. Some of us have a deficiency in spiritual understanding. We read the Word of God without comprehending what it says, and we

totally miss its implications for us. We would like to have what Paul prayed for, a spirit of wisdom and revelation, the ability to discern divine truth, but we never seem to attain it. Where is it to be found? How can we get it? Does it require a degree in theology? Paul tells us where it is located—“in the knowledge of Him. The people who intimately know their God have spiritual understanding that far surpasses their formal education. Peter and John were men like that. They were preaching Christ in the temple courtyard and the Jewish religious leaders were furious. They took the two disciples into custody and questioned them about their activities, insisting that they reveal by what power they performed their miracles. Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, delivered a powerful testimony to the person of Christ that demonstrated not only his familiarity with recent events in Jerusalem, but also his grasp of Old Testament Scripture Acts 4: It was an amazingly articulate expression of faith from an uneducated fisherman. Where did he get that kind of wisdom? The record goes on to tell us: They had walked with Him and talked with Him for three and one-half years. As a result they had an understanding of spiritual truth that those religious rulers could not begin to match with all their theological training and sanctimonious religiosity. People who know God have wisdom. Not so you can amaze your friends with your knowledge of Scripture or your grasp of theological truth. But so that you can know what life is all about, and make an impact on their lives for the glory of God as they observe the reality of Christ in you. It will happen when you get to know Him intimately. There is some difference of opinion as to how this should be translated. While most of our popular translations render it as a prayer for the Colossians to increase in the knowledge of God, most commentators understand it to mean that the knowledge of God is the means by which we bear fruit and increase in every good work. They would translate it something like this: Our fruitfulness and our growth depend on our knowledge of God. We ought to be able to understand that since it works the same way in the human realm. As I grow in my knowledge of my friends I enjoy being with them more and I have a greater desire to please them. That is what occurs in our relationship with the Lord. The more we know of His love for us the more we love Him in return 1 John 4: And the more we love Him the more we want to please Him 1 John 5: There is another human analogy that will help us understand this truth. Psychologists tell us that we acquire similarities to the people we get to know intimately and with whom we spend much time. As we spend time with our Lord and grow in our knowledge of Him we begin to develop Christ-like traits, the very things which the New Testament refers to as fruit. In other words, we will bear fruit and increase in every good work by the knowledge of God. Try getting to know Him better. You will enjoy it. A Psalm writer named Asaph did. He was in bad shape spiritually. He says he came close to stumbling; his steps had almost slipped Psalm He was on the verge of a serious spiritual defeat, angry with God because ungodly people were doing better than he was. He certainly was not growing until, he says, I came into the sanctuary of God; Then I perceived their end verse Being in the sanctuary of God was an Old Testament way of expressing fellowship with Him.

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