

How Do I Find and Get to Know God?

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God is not avoiding us ... we are avoiding Him!
Finding Him involves four simple steps.
Getting to know Him involves just one.

Step 1

Put aside every pre-conceived idea you might have had about God

... ideas that were forced upon you;

... ideas that were fed to you by people who meant well but may not have had it straight;

... ideas that you have hung on to because they 'seemed' right.

... ideas that could be very misleading or incorrect.

Remember... It's easy to be looking for a God that fits our expectations. We won't find Him, because God exceeds all of our wildest expectations.

Step 2

Ask God to help you find Him, believing that He will

It's a simple thing, but that's all it takes.

God doesn't force himself onto anyone. If He did, we would only serve him out of fear. He wants us to "want" Him because we love what He is and what He stands for. If we want him, we will look for him. Listen to what He has said...

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. Revelation 3:20

Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete. John 16:24

Step 3

Be prepared to let God tell you who He is ... in his own way and time.

He will reveal himself to you, in a personal way that will meet your personal, specific needs. This doesn't mean that he's going to make you wait until he's ready. It simply means that God is outside and beyond our normal expectations and thinking. Be prepared to discover God's infiniteness by looking for him in both big and small things.

Step 4

Search for Him like you would search for Gold.

The reason for this is because He is infinitely better than gold.

Look for him in everyday experiences.

Look for evidence of his interaction in your own personal life, everyday, in every way possible.

Listen to what He has said...

*I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me.
Proverbs 8:17*

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29:13

Getting to know Him

1. Spend time with Him every day.

Listen...

Expect to hear His voice...

Expect to feel His presence...

Look for Him. He's all around you.

Read about Him. Some books can be helpful. But remember, He's not in a book.

Talk to others about Him.

His voice will sound like your own voice.

Don't ignore it.

Be honest with Him ... about everything.

There are three parts to the God head.

God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

God says that he sent his son to earth to take the form of man.

That man, Jesus, made three claims.

1 He was sent from God

Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and now am here. I have not come on my own; but he sent me. John 8:42

2. God was his father.

Then they asked him, "Where is your father?" "You do not know me or my Father," Jesus replied. "If you knew me, you would know my Father also." John 8:19

3. He and God are one.

I and the Father are one." John 10:30

God himself supported these claims...

A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." Luke 9:35

So by learning about the character and person, Jesus, we get to know the Father as well.

It's a journey that won't disappoint you.