

BIBLE STUDY #2

KNOWLEDGE

We are continuing to take our studies is taken from II Peter 1:5-7

“But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue **knowledge**, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, to brotherly kindness love.”

This study deals with the second Christian character knowledge. The definition of knowledge is “the fact or condition of apprehending truth; knowing something with familiarity gained through experience or association”. For us to grow in our Christian walk, it is vitally necessary that we become knowledgeable in the God who is all knowledgeable.

Begin memorizing Psalm 147:5 (NIV)

“Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding has no limit.”

In this lesson you should learn:

- A. What knowledge is.
- B. How we can get knowledge.
- C. What we can do with that knowledge.

Before we start, let’s **PRAY** and ask God’s Holy Spirit to open our hearts to receive His Word and to show us how to apply it in our life. Do not copy scriptures, but answer the question briefly and in your own words.

The Bible tells us that God is omniscient. The Word omniscient means “God knows all things and is absolutely perfect in knowledge”.

1. What does the Bible tell us about God’s knowledge?

Job 37:16 _____

2. How does the Bible tell us God speaks to us?

Isaiah 45:19 _____

3. What does the Bible tell us about God’s word?

John 17:17 _____

We see that God’s Word is His knowledge, and that His knowledge is truth.

4. What does God desire of all people?

I Timothy 2:4 _____

5. Once we are saved and come to the knowledge of the truth, what does God desire of us?

II Peter 3:18 _____

6. What is the first step in increasing our knowledge of God?

Proverbs 1:7 _____

Fear means, “to have a loving reverence (respect, admiration) for God that includes submission to His Lordship and to the commands of His Word”. If we were to feed our physical bodies only once a week, we would become very malnourished. It would weaken us physically and emotionally. This very same principle applies to our spiritual nourishment. If we feed ourselves spiritual food only once a week, we will become spiritually malnourished and unstable. Instead of growth in our life, we will become stagnant. As Christians it is essential that we feed ourselves **daily** on the Word of God and receive His food (knowledge) for our growth.

7. What does God’s Word tell us to do?

II Timothy 2:15 _____

We need to study God’s Word in context to get the balanced perspective of His knowledge for us. Often God’s knowledge may be perverted by taking it out of context. It is important to study the **whole** counsel of God’s Word, from Genesis through Revelation.

8. What do the following scriptures tell us about those who reject God’s divine knowledge?

Isaiah 47: 10-11 _____

Hosea 4:6 _____

We must always remember that the wisest and most knowledgeable Christian is **limited** in his knowledge. God is the only one who knows all. We must never allow our knowledge to fill us with false pride.

9. What does the Bible tell us about how we should handle knowledge?

I Corinthians 8:1-3 _____

Knowledge without love is worthless. We are to apply God’s knowledge to our lives to show our love for Him and others. See **Matthew 22:37-40**.

Biblical knowledge is not merely the possession of facts. Rather, knowledge and wisdom in the Bible are practical, having to do with Godly living

10. What are six practices that we hope to live as we receive the knowledge of God?

Colossians 1:10-12 _____

The Bible tells us that as we grow in the knowledge of God we can grow in temperance, which means self-control. **Self-control** is the virtue of one who masters his/her desires and passions; restraint exercised over ones own impulses, emotions, or desires.

11. Do you have self-control through the knowledge of God?

From memory write out your memory verse from page 1:

