

Heart for God

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I. Introduction.

A. What is on God's heart for us: that we know and understand him. (Jeremiah 9:23-24)

B. Sometimes we neglect the most important things. (1 Chronicles 28:9)

II. God's priority is always that we get to know Jesus first.

III. What it means to know God.

A. His power.

B. His thought patterns. (Romans 12:1-2)

C. Him personally. (Philippians 3:10; Acts 9ff)

IV. Friendship is not based on academic knowledge—it is based on love, mutual respect, understanding and confidence. This is the relationship we should have with Jesus. (Ephesians 3:17-19; Colossians 1:10; 2 Peter 1:2)

V. How we can get to know Christ more personally.

A. Take time.

B. Always pray. (Luke 18:1)

Application questions:

1. What does it mean to know God?

2. How would you evaluate your desire and priority to know God?

3. How will you get to know Christ more personally? Explain.
