

Knowing God is Life

1 Kings 18

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Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden. So the Lord God called out to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"
Genesis 3:8-9 CSB

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphim were standing above him; they each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Armies; His glory fills the whole earth."
Isaiah 6:1-3 CSB

For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord's glory, as the water covers the sea. Habakkuk 2:14 CSB

For I desire faithful love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offering. Hosea 6:6 CSB

- "Knowledge" = "Know through experience"

Jesus spoke these things, looked up to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you gave him authority over all people,, so that he may give eternal life to everyone you have given him. This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and the one you have sent—Jesus Christ. I have glorified you on the earth by completing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, glorify me in your presence with that glory I had with you before the world existed.

"I have revealed your name to the people you gave me from the world. They were yours, you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, because I have given them the words you gave me. They have received them and have known for certain that I came from you. They have believed that you sent me.
John 17:1-8 CSB

Jesus came to GIVE ETERNAL LIFE

Eternal life IS KNOWING GOD

Eternal life starts when we COME to KNOW GOD through Jesus, not AFTER we DIE

We receive eternal life because through Jesus we SHARE in the GLORY of God.
2 Peter 1:3-4 CSB

How do we know and experience God?

- SATURATE your heart and mind with the TRUTH about God
- Regularly look at your CIRCUMSTANCES through the LENS of the TRUTH about God.
- Consistently GAZE at GOD'S GLORY with other believers
- TRUST God to be FAITHFUL to BEING GOD in your circumstances