

The Face Of God – Psalm 27:7-10,13-14
(God Series Lesson – 2 2 Chronicles 7:13-14)
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Introduction

1. As we discussed last week God wants to be known. In a real sense God is unknowable yet God desires us to know Him personally in a relationship. Although the statement “personal relationship with God” is not in Scripture, per se, this is the object of Scripture.
2. There are four ways to observe God: through Scripture, tradition, experience, and reason. Our concept of God will determine our worship, service, and life.

I. God Is Personal

- a. “God” is not a philosophical problem. He is a personal problem.
 - i. God is . . . this is not our issue. Our issue is this: Will we accept God as He is? Will we let God be God and man be man? Will we seek God upon His terms?
 - ii. Man has made some silly mistakes...
 1. We value the worldly, possessions, the visible.
 2. We prefer things over people and relationships.
 - iii. God is not a problem to be understood but a priority to be followed. Too many see God as absent and we have become blind to what God is doing in the world and in our own lives. (Ex- Aaron and the golden calf)
 - iv. God is personal, and we need to seek out God’s face. When God is our problem only God can be your solution. We need to walk with our God.
 - v. I must know Him; Trust Him; Love Him; Listen to Him; Obey Him. To know God is do what He says.

II. Some Biblical Men Saw God

- a. Where does God begin to find us?
 - i. Jesus! He has seen God. To see Jesus the only begotten Son of God is to see God (John 3:16; John 14:9).
 - ii. Jesus is the most significant and greatest person who has ever lived! He is the way, the truth, and the life and no one can come to the Father except through Him (John 14:6).
 - iii. After seeing Jesus resurrected the apostles and disciples returned to Jerusalem with great joy (Luke 24:52-53)!

III. What Did Moses See?

- a. What did Moses see in Exodus 33-34?
 - i. Not only will we focus upon what Moses literally saw but will also introduce the core issue of this series. Herein is our premise: “God is goodness, character, integrity, purity, holiness.” This is where man finds God.
 - ii. Read Exodus 34:1-9. He did not describe how God looks! He was not intimidated by God’s size or beauty. He could see God’s glory! What did he see? (1) Compassion, mercy, (2) Graciousness, (3) Slow to anger, (4) Grace (lovingkindness), and (5) truth.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.”