



PURPOSE

LIVE OUT OUR FAITH IN JESUS AND
INVITE OTHERS INTO LIFE WITH HIM

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DEVOTION: HOW TO KNOW GOD

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LUKE 16:13 ESV

No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

JOHN 14:6-11, 14 ESV

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

⁷ If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also. From now on you do know Him and have seen Him."

⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."

⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know Me, Philip? Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on My own authority, but the Father who dwells in Me does His works.

¹¹ Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me, or else believe on account of the works themselves.

¹⁴ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

JOHN 3:16-18 ESV

¹⁶ "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.

¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.

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¹⁸ Whoever believes in Him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

NOTES

1 JOHN 3:1-3 ESV

¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him.

² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is.

³ And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

PROVERBS 3:11-12 ESV

¹¹ My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of His reproof,

¹² for the Lord reproves him whom He loves, as a Father the son in whom He delights.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:20-21 ESV

²⁰ Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

²¹ For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

JEREMIAH 29:11-13 ESV

¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

¹² Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will hear you.

¹³ You will seek me and find Me, when you seek Me with all your heart.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does your devotional life with the Lord look like? Is there anything that you feel led to prioritize or add this season as an expression of devotion to God?
2. How does viewing God as your "Father" help you to connect with Him? How does identifying as a child of God help to see yourself as He sees you?
3. How comfortable do you feel while praying? How does Jeremiah 29:11-13 reassure you?

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