

The God You Can Know

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God put in man a “God-shaped vacuum” that can only be filled by Him. We must know God before we can do His will. The level of love for Him is directly related to our desire to seek Him. Many find their joy & security in what they do for God rather than in what they are to God. My closest friend should motivate me to thirst after Him.

In everything we must ask ourselves: What would Jesus do [if He was in my shoes]? Blessed is the man who desires God rather than what God gives. Understanding our position with Him frees us to be ourselves (don't compare ourselves to others). We are indebted out of love, not rules. If a man saved our life, we would want to tell others about him; why not about Him that saved our soul?

Before a certain bride would marry the groom, she wanted to pay off her debts so she wouldn't burden him with them. But when she went to make arrangements to pay, she was told he just paid them. She was so grateful she never wanted to hurt him. Real love makes us grateful. If we are secure in our position with Christ, we will be calm & confident in the midst of calamity.

Quotes: “Whatever you think, you will become.” (Dan DeHaan)