

Weekly Devotions: GOD IS SOVEREIGN 1

God Wants Us to Know Him

The strength of any relationship depends on how much and how well we know of the other person. Likewise, the essence and depth of our relationship with God and our faith in Him depend on what we know and believe about Him. So, who is this God whom Jesus taught us to call, 'Abba, Father'?

Read Psalm 19

No one can plead ignorance of God as He never ceases to make Himself known to all humankind. The Psalmist, David, proclaimed that God reveals Himself to the world through His creation (vv. 1-6). Day and night; "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge" (Psalm 19: 1-2).

God also reveals Himself to His people through the Law / His Word (vv. 7-10). The bible tells us who God is, what is on His heart, what is His will, His expectations, His salvation plan for the lost, etc. God's Word revives our soul, gives us wisdom and teaches us what is right, what is true and what it means to live in holy fear of God.

David concluded the Psalm with a prayer (verses 11-14). In his life's journey, he had experienced God's forgiveness and protection and knew Him as his Rock (strength) and Redeemer.

God wants us to know Him but the noise and false glitter of the world may have deafened our ears and blinded us to God's self-revelations. Perhaps sin, pride or life's anxieties have hardened our hearts and shut out His voice. God has promised that those who seek Him will find Him, if we seek Him with all our hearts (Jer. 29: 12-14). Let's pray that we will have a fresh encounter with God and that we will know Him more and more each day. Amen.

Questions to ponder

1. David said that creation declares who God is. List 3 things that you learn about God when you look at the heavens, the stars and the moon or when you look at the trees and the flowers.
2. David knew God as his Rock and Redeemer. In your personal experience, which attributes of God have you come to understand and appreciate?
3. What is preventing you from hearing what God is saying to you through His Word? What can / should you do to strengthen your relationship with God?