



"Knowing God is more than knowing about Him; it is a matter of dealing with Him...and being dealt with by Him as He takes knowledge of you. Knowing about Him is a necessary precondition of trusting in Him.

What were we made for? To know God. What aim should we have? To know God. What is the eternal life that Jesus gives? Knowledge of God (Jn 17:3). What is the best thing in life, bringing more joy, delight, and contentment, than anything else? Knowledge of God.

"Once you become aware that the main business that you are here for is to know God, most of life's problems fall into place of their own accord."

J.I. Packer, Knowing God, 1993, pp35,42

Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

Jesus Christ, John 17:3 NIV



weeks, you are invited to stop and think carefully about eight key features of the Christian faith. These are all ways to see your world now that you are on the journey of knowing God.

Acknowledging Jesus as your savior is a monumental step. Perhaps you have recently done this or perhaps you are still curious about what it means to be a Christian. Even if you have been a Christian for many years, it is important to be clear on how that will affect your life. What does it mean to follow Jesus? How does a person move forward in their understanding of who God is and what he intends for their life?

Throughout the Start Living course, you will learn the foundations of what it means to be a Christian and be equipped to understand the world that we live in with much more clarity. Being a Christian is not something that someone else can do for you! Knowing how to proceed in your Christian faith, however, is not a mystery because God has spoken to us through the bible.

I pray that you will enjoy this course. Not simply that it is pleasant, but that you will discover how great our God really is. Working through the eight topics of this study will equip you for a lifetime of knowing him and knowing him in truth. Revisiting these areas of faith again and again will help you as you start living for Christ and continue through your life.

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Start Living

Course Outline

Session One: Grace - The Big Deal With God.

Session Two: Prayer - Why Don't We Pray?

Session Three: Christ Alone - A Guide On Worry.

Session Four: My God - I Believe In The Trinity?

Session Five: Scripture - The Word Of God.

Session Six: Living - A Life Of Faith.

Session Seven: Loving - The Community Of Faith.

Session Eight: Going - Sharing Your Faith.

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