Knowing God and Making Him Known

Recite the verses below from memory.

God wants people to come to know Him. However, God is invisible to us.

Colossians 1:15

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

1 Timothy 1:17

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 11:27

By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured, as seeing Him who is unseen.

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Recite the verses below from memory.

Because God is invisible, we can be tempted to believe He does not exist. Or if we believe He does exist, we may use our life experiences, religion, or family relationships to "make up" what we think He is like.

God wants us to know Him, and He has made it possible for us to think of Him the right way.

God Reveals Himself in Creation

The sun, moon, and stars tell us about a great God. Though they "talk" in a language that cannot be heard, everybody in every country should be able to understand what they are saying.

Psalm 19:1-3

¹The heavens are telling of the glory of God; and their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.

²Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night reveals knowledge. ³There is no speech, nor are there words; Their voice is not heard.

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Recite the verses below from memory.

Psalm 19:4-5

⁴Their line has gone out through all the earth, and their utterances to the end of the world. In them He has placed a tent for the sun, ⁵which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber; it rejoices as a strong man to run his course.

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What does creation teach us?

The Bible says that we should be able to know that there is a God who is powerful.

Romans 1:20

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes. His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they [all men] are without excuse.

God says that anyone who claims he does not know about God does not have a good excuse.

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Below is a stanza of a poem written by Anne Bradstreet, a lady who lived in Massachusetts even before our nation was a country. This poem asks questions to the sun.

Recite the poem below from memory.

Art thou so full of glory that no eye Hath strength thy shining rays to behold? And is thy splendid throne so high, As to approach it, can no earthly mould? How full of glory then must thy Creator be, Who gave this bright luster unto thee? Admired, adored for ever, be that Majesty. (Contemplations, Stanza 7)

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Because God is invisible, we must respond to God in faith. Faith is a willingness to believe in God though we cannot see Him. He is real and we need to trust Him.

> **Recite the following statement** and verses from memory.

Faith is a willingness to believe that what I cannot see is real and necessary to be trusted.

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Romans 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

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A person with faith in God chooses to listen to words that come from God. He refuses to listen to words that do not come from God.

Proverbs 1:10-14

¹⁰*My* son, if sinners entice you, do not consent. ¹¹If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood, let us ambush the innocent without cause:

¹²let us swallow them alive like Sheol, even whole, as those who go down to the pit;¹³we will find all kinds of precious wealth, we will fill our houses with spoil;¹⁴throw in your lot with us, we shall all have one purse."

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Proverbs 1:15-19

¹⁵My son, do not walk in the way with them. Keep your feet from their path, ¹⁶ for their feet run to evil and they hasten to shed blood. ¹⁷Indeed, it is useless to spread the baited net In the sight of any bird;

¹⁸but they lie in wait for their own blood; they ambush their own lives. ¹⁹So are the ways of everyone who gains by violence; it takes away the life of its possessors.

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Recite the following verses from memory and answer the questions below.

Jeremiah 9:23-24

²³Thus says the LORD, "Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches;

²⁴ but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things," declares the LORD.

- List all of the things people should not brag about.
 a.
 - b.
 - c.
- 2. What is the only thing God wants us to boast about?

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- What does God tell us He enjoys doing?
 a.
 - b.
 - C.

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