# KNOWLEDGE OF THE TRUTH

John 8:32

- YOU SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH; AND THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE.
  - 1. What is truth?
  - 2. Not what is, but who is.
    - 1. I am the way, the truth, and the life.
    - 2. John 14:17 "Even the Spirit of truth whom the world can not receive because it seeth him not neither knoweth him; for he dwelleth in you and shall be in you."
    - 3. John 14:26 "But when the Comforter is come, whom I send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me.
    - 4. John 16:3 "When Spirit of truth is come, will guide you into all truth.
    - 5. In the beginning was the Word...And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

## 2. KNOWLEDGE SEEKERS.

- 1. Ever seeking for knowledge bu never coming to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2. Philosophers at Mars Hill were knowledge seekers.
  - 1. Gnostics; Didn't know what they were seeking.
  - Seems to be a setter forth of strange gods because Paul preached Jesus and the resurrection.
  - 3. To the unknown god--let me explain him to you--in Him we live and move and have our being.
  - 4. "Let me explain Him to you."
- GOD DESIRES TRUTH SEEKERS.

- 1. Seek and you shall find; knock and it will be opened unto you.
  - 1. They that hunger and thirst shall be filled.
  - Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these other things shall be added unto you.
- 2. Philip to Ethiopian eunuch. Understandest what you read?
- 3. Why do we read our Bibles?
- 4. Philip explained Jesus to him.
- 5. Philip had been down to Samaria to preach Jesus.
  - 1. If I be lifted up.
  - 2. Jesus is focal point; the only way.

## 4. CAN KNOW JESUS WITHOUT BEING THEOLOGICALLY CORRECT.

- 1. Christianity is not about knowledge; its about relationship.
- 2. Knowing Him; not about Him.
- 3. Having a personal experience or relationship.
- 4. Those who had face-to-face encounters with God:
  - 1. Adam and Eve talked with God in cool of day.
  - 2. Moses talked with God as a man would his friend.
  - 3. Elijah walked with God.
  - 4. Saul of Tarsus met Jesus face to face.

## 5. HOW MUCH KNOWLEDGE DO WE NEED TO KNOW?

- 1. We are lost; we need salvation.
- 2. Jesus died; paid the ransom.
- 3. He redeemed us back to God the Father.
- Jesus was our advocate, pleading our case before the Supreme Court of heaven.
  - Jesus was declared righteous.
  - 2. Our identification with Him deems us righteous.
  - 3. We are now the righteousness of God.

- 4. God now sees us through the blood of Jesus; He doesn't see what we once were.
- 5. Jesus is now our mediator; making intercessions for us.
- 6. The Holy Spirit is making intercessions with groanings which cannot be uttered.

# 6. DO YOU KNOW JESUS?

- 1. Not just about Him.
- 2. His desire is to come in and sup with us.
  - 1. Behold I stand at the door and knock.
  - 2. I in Him, he in me.
  - 3. Communion, fellowship.
  - 4. He desires to live His life through us.
- 3. A friend closer than a brother.
- 4. Can call upon Him day or night.
- 5. He will never leave us nor forsake us.