

## Systematic Theology Chapter 10

### The Knowability of God

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Sing: Psalm 145

1. Can we really know God?
2. How much can we know about God? Can we fully comprehend God?
3. What is there about God that we cannot understand?
4. How important is it to know God?  
(Not so) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 (Most)
5. Why do you want to know your husband, if you are married? What insights does your answer to this question provide for why you should try to know God better?
6. For what were you created?

10. Colossians 1:10 and Philippians 3:10 speak about increasing in the knowledge of God. What do these passages teach about how we can grow in the knowledge of God? Why must there be an increase?
11. Explain what the prophet is saying in Hosea 6:3 when he writes about knowing God: “Let us press on **to know the Lord**; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.”
12. We can know God because He first knew and loved us. J.I. Packer wrote: “I am graven on the palms of his hands. I am never out of his mind. All my **knowledge** of him depends on his sustained initiative in knowing me. I **know** him because he first **knew** me, and continues to **know** me. He **knows** me as a friend, one who loves me; and there is no moment when his eye is off me, or his attention distracted from me, and no moment, therefore, when his care falters” (Knowing God – 41 –J.I. Packer). How does this quote impact you?

7. How does knowing God give pleasure to Him?

8. What is the difference between knowing about God and knowing God? Give a Biblical example of someone who just knew about God. Give a biblical example of someone who knew God personally.

9. How can you grow in your knowledge of God?

Regarding this topic Steve Lawson said, "Your view of God will determine how you live, worship, fellowship, evangelize and converse". Do you sense some changes that need to happen in these five areas? How will knowing God more deeply bring needed growth? How do you hope to grow in the following areas?

Life	
Worship	
Fellowship	
Witnessing	
Conversation	

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