

BA14. Knowing God through Yeshua.

We are to know God through Yeshua.

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

John 8:19

They said to him, "Where is this 'father' of yours?" Yeshua answered, "You know neither me nor my Father; if you knew me, you would know my Father too."

John 12:45

Also those who see me see the One who sent me.

John 14:7

Because you have known me, you will also know my Father; from now on, you do know him- in fact, you have seen him.

John 14:9

Yeshua replied to him, "Have I been with you so long without your knowing me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

Additional New Testament Scriptures

Matthew 11:27

John 1:12, 8:54-55, 10:14-15, 14:6, 17:20

2 Thessalonians 1:8

Hebrews 8:11

1 John 5:20

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Isaiah 43:10

"You are my witnesses," says ADONAI, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you can know and trust me and understand that I am he- no god was produced before me, nor will any be after me.

Jeremiah 31:32(33):33(34)

For this is the covenant I will make with the house of Isra'el after those days," says ADONAI: "I will put my Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will any of them teach his fellow community member or his brother, 'Know ADONAI'; for all will know me, from the least of them to the greatest; because I will forgive their wickednesses and remember their sins no more.

Comment

There are two aspects to knowing God. The first is knowing about God – his attributes – what He is like. We can know him in that way through both Scripture and Yeshua because Yeshua and God the father are united, and Scripture tells us that “*in him bodily, lives the fullness of all that God is.*” (Colossians 2:9). The second aspect of knowing God is being in personal relationship with him – dialoguing with him – knowing him as a person. We can only know God that way through Yeshua, because God is a spirit being and Yeshua has been given the responsibility of connecting us to him through the Holy Spirit: “*Yeshua said, "I AM the Way- and the Truth and the Life; no one comes to the Father except through me. Because you have known me, you will also know my Father; from now on, you do know him- in fact, you have seen him.*” (John 14:6-7). Those who knew God in the Old Testament knew him through Yeshua as well, though they were probably not aware of it and did not have the clarity of New Testament revelation.

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