



THE CHRISTIAN ATHEIST - Part 1 of 3 I Believe In God, But Don't Know Him

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They claim to know God, but by their actions they deny Him. They are detestable, disobedient and unfit for doing anything good.

Titus 1:16

SOME PEOPLE BELIEVE IN GOD, ...

1. BUT DON'T **KNOW** HIM.

We know that we have come to know [God] if we keep His commands. Whoever says, "I know Him," but does not do what He commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. 1 John 2:3-4

"Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to Me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name and in Your name drive out demons and in Your name perform many miracles?' Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you...' " Matthew 7:21-23

2. AND KNOW HIM, BUT DON'T KNOW HIM **WELL**.

Formerly, when you did not know God, you were slaves to those who by nature are not gods. But now that you know God—or rather are known by God—how is it that you are turning back to those weak and miserable forces? Do you wish to be enslaved by them all over again? Galatians 4:8-9

3. KNOW HIM **INTIMATELY** AND SERVE HIM **WHOLEHEARTEDLY**.

You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek You; I thirst for You, my whole being longs for You, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. I have seen You in the sanctuary and beheld Your power and Your glory. Because Your love is better than life, my lips will glorify You. I will praise You as long as I live, and in Your name I will lift up my hands. Psalm 63:1-4

Those who know Your name trust in you... Psalm 9:10

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation. So that you may know Him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you. The riches of His glorious inheritance into His holy people and His incomparably great power for those of us who believe.

Ephesians 1:17-19