## TO KNOW CHRIST August 2012 Richard Spann

- I. His Purpose for us.
  - A) Initiated in Creation.

Genesis 1:27

Knowledge of God rejected.

B) Manifested in Incarnation.

John 1:1,14. In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, The Word became flesh

and made his dwelling among us

And the Word was God ....full of grace and truth.

John 17:26

C) Realized in Redemption.

John 17:3

I Corinthians 13:12

II. His Promise to us.

Titus 1:2

Philippians 1:6

- III. His Process in us.
  - A) Intuition. (A God given knowledge of His existence) (Knowing there is a God) Romans 1:20-28.
  - B) Investigation. (Knowing about God)

John 5:39 (Not sufficient unless we act upon what we investigate)

C) Interaction. (Knowing God) We interact with Him by faith in His revelation to us.

- 1) Indirect revelation. (Through the testimony of others) John 4:39
- 2) Direct Revelation (The word of Jesus) John 4:42
- 3) Knowledge deepened by revelation of His Name.

El Roi (The God who sees) Genesis 16:13

El Elyon (God Most High) Genesis 14:18-20

El Shaddai (God Almighty) Genesis 17:1-2

Adonai (Sovereign) (Master) Lord Genesis 15:1-2

Jehovah-Jireh (The LORD will provide) Genesis 22:11-14

Jehovah-Tsidkenu (The LORD our righteousness) Jeremiah 23:5-6

Jehovah-Nissi (The LORD is my Banner) Exodus 17:10-16

Jehovah-Mekoddishkem (THe LORD who sanctifies) Exodus 31:12

YHWH (Jehovah) LORD Exodus 3:13-14

- IV) Our purpose with Him should be the same as His purpose for us.
  - A) A priority with our time.

Three ways to miss the mark. Need to become singleminded. (One thing)

- B) A practice of obedience (Genesis 22)
- C) A pursuit throughout our lives. (Hosea 6:3, Phil 3:10-14)

Pursuing His Knowledge

Fear

Walk

Wait

Listen

Rest