

Christian Characteristics

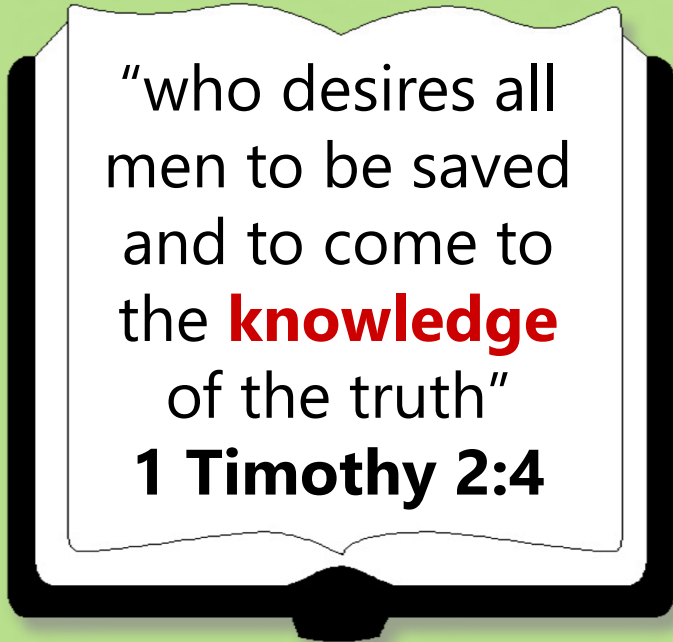
KNOWLEDGE



2 Peter 1:5-10

"awareness; acquaintance with facts; range of information; all that has been perceived or grasped by the mind; learning; enlightenment; the body of facts accumulated by mankind"

(Webster's College Dictionary)



"who desires all men to be saved and to come to the **knowledge** of the truth"

1 Timothy 2:4

Knowledge Commanded

- **By Peter**
 - 2 Peter 3:18
- **By Paul**
 - Romans 16:19
 - 1 Corinthians 14:20
 - Hebrews 5:12-14

"but grow in the
grace and
knowledge of our
Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ..."



Things We Need to Know

- **The Will of God**
 - Ephesians 5:17
 - Romans 6:17-18
 - Colossians 1:9-10
- **The Love of Christ**
 - Ephesians 3:17-19
 - 1 Timothy 1:15
 - John 14:1-3

"Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is"



Things We Need to Know

- **The Hope of God's Calling**

- **Ephesians 1:18**

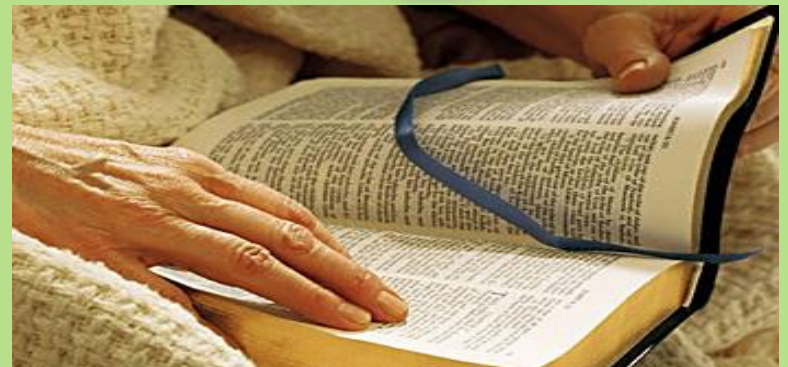
- **It is an anchor of the soul**

- **The Greatness of His Power**

- **Ephesians 1:19-22**

- **1 Corinthians 6:14**

"This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast..."



Why We Need to Know

- **Ignorance of His Will is NO Excuse**
 - Ephesians 4:18; Acts 17:30

No study – no knowledge
No knowledge – no understanding
No understanding -- **IGNORANCE**

“...for they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not **submitted themselves** unto the righteousness of God.”

Romans 10:3

Why We Need to Know

- **Hope Influences Us**

- 1 Corinthians 15:19
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13



- **His Power Has Given All We Need**

- 2 Peter 1:3

Knowledge of His power increases our faith

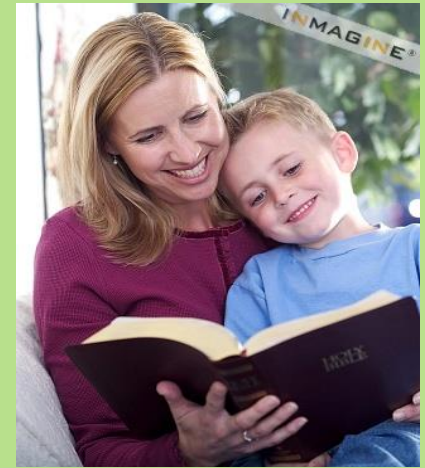
We "CAN" Do It!

Source of Our Knowledge



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- Treasures of Wisdom and Knowledge Are in Christ
 - Colossians 2:3
- Obtained Through Study

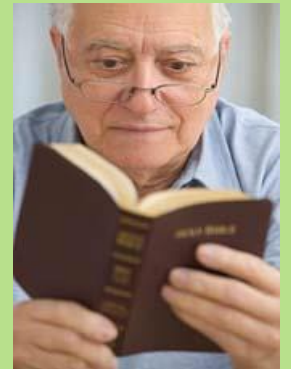
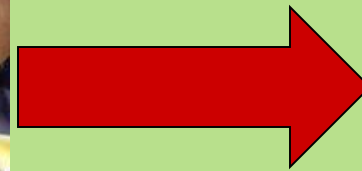
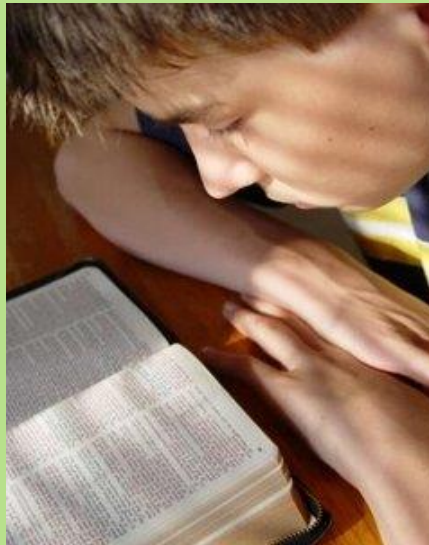
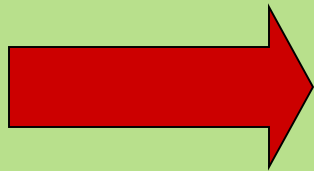


**Psalms 119:104; 2 Timothy 2:15;
2 Timothy 3:15; Ephesians 3:4**

Results of Knowledge

2 Peter 3:18

"but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ..."



1 Peter 2:1-3

Luke 12:41-48
James 4:17

CONCLUSION

- **We Are Often Responsible For Our Own Ignorance!**

- **Matthew 13:15**

- **Eternity Based Upon:**

- **Our knowledge of God's Holy Word**

- **How we apply it in our daily life**



Romans 1:28

"And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge..."

Let us NOT "mature in our weakness"