

THE STUDY OF GOD: GOD IS 'HIDDEN' UNLESS REVEALED

STUDY &  
REFLECTION

We have learned from our earlier study that the God of the Universe, the Creator of all things is INCOMPREHENSIBLE! He is so awesome, so different, so unique, He is impossible to understand or comprehend. We in our small, puny, human state, cannot with our greatest intelligence, come to know Him.

**But beyond His awesome vastness, the great God, the Sovereign Ruler is HIDDEN!**

Listen to Jesus Himself tell us this tremendous truth: Matt 11:25-27: *"At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. (KJV)*

Yes, God in His very nature and person is 'hidden,' covered, concealed, shrouded from view. Jesus tells us that this is not by accident. The Father Himself Wills it. He has purposefully and willfully 'hidden' from human intelligence and insight, genuine knowledge of God.

So, how can we 'know' Him? GOD HAS TO REVEAL HIMSELF!

Usually, to get to know something or to research a subject, we, simply 'study it!' We sign up for the class. We commit to a particular course of study, focus on it and gain insight and understanding about it.

This is possible because as the height of all of God's creation, we have been assigned by God, mastery over everything. God has given us dominion. We stand 'above' all that God has made! We can study anything and begin to understand it and ultimately gain mastery over it...But not when it comes to God!

**HE STANDS ABOVE US! WE EXIST UNDER HIM!! WE CANNOT DISCOVER HIM!**

When it comes to God, Isa 59:10 says, "we grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes!"

ACTION  
ITEMS

I partly apologize for stretching you and taking you deep, but it is critical to our study. Genuine growth and depth in coming to Know God will by its' very nature cause us to stop, reconsider what we thought we knew, reevaluate our self-confidence, repent, and beg the Lord to forgive our arrogance, open our eyes, remove our blindness, and allow us a glimpse of Who He really is.

**This is your assignment.**

INVOLVING  
OTHERS

Share with your group this experience. Discuss your individual experiences and share honestly how you feel. Are you unchanged? Are you humbled? Does it not make you humble yourself and begin to value what grace He affords us to allow us access to begin to Know Him.