

It's All About God

Session #3 – Knowing God

“God is also called ‘Jehovah’ in the Bible. The word ‘Jehovah’ is derived from a word meaning ‘to be.’ Jehovah means ‘The Eternally Existing One,’ or ‘One who will never be other than He is.’ Words can add nothing to such a concept of God’s existence. Before such thoughts of greatness, our souls bow down in awe.”

- E.H. Ijams, *Class at Highland Street Church of Christ, 1970’s*

Thinking It Over

When you think about God, what is the first concept of His character that comes to mind? Why?

Read Exodus 34:5-7. What quality of God described in that passage means the most to you? Is there one that you don’t understand?

Exploring the Text: Here are the nine qualities of God described in Exodus 34:5-7.

1. Lord –
2. Compassionate –
3. Gracious –
4. Slow to anger –
5. Abounding in love –
6. Faithfulness –
7. Love for thousands –
8. Forgiving wickedness, rebellion, and sin –
9. Not leave the guilty unpunished –

Bringing It Home

How can I use one of Ijams’ suggestions (1. In prayer, pay attention to God’s holiness, 2. Feed your mind with God’s truth, 3. Fill your imagination with the beauty of God, 4. Open your heart to the love of God, 5. Develop your life around the will of God, and 6. Be faithful in the little things of life) to know God better?