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**Part 6 - The Way into  
the Relationship**



# Roadblocks to a Relationship with God



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***Look! Listen! God's arm is not amputated—he can still save. God's ears are not stopped up—he can still hear. There's nothing wrong with God; the wrong is in you...***

***- Isaiah 59:1-2 MSG***

***...Your wrongheaded lives caused the  
split between you and God.  
Your sins got between you so  
that he doesn't hear.***

***- Isaiah 59:1-2 MSG***

- The Burden of our Pride - v. 13:35, 37



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**35** *“By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”...37 Peter said to him, “Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.”*

*- John 13:35, 37 ESV*

- The Burden of our Pride - v. 13:35, 37
- The Baggage of our Upbringing - v. 14:5



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*Thomas said to him,  
“Lord, we do not know where you are  
going. How can we know the way?”*

*- John 14:5 ESV*



- The Burden of our Pride - v. 13:35, 37
- The Baggage of our Upbringing - v. 14:5
- The Barrier of our Unbelief - v. 14:8



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*Philip said to him,  
“Lord, show us the Father,  
and it is enough for us.”*

*- John 14:8 ESV*

- The Burden of our Pride - v. 13:35, 37
- The Baggage of our Upbringing - v. 14:5
- The Barrier of our Unbelief - v. 14:8
- The Boast of our Showiness - v. 14:22



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*Judas (not Iscariot) said to him,  
“Lord, how is it that you will manifest  
yourself to us, and not to the world?”*

*- John 14:22 ESV*

# Resources to a Relationship with God



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**17** *For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ.*

**18** *No one has ever seen God.*

*But the unique One, who is himself God, is near to the Father's heart.*

*He has revealed God to us.*

*- John 1:17-18 NLT*

# 1. Banking onto His Way



*Jesus said to him, "I am the way,  
and the truth, and the life.  
No one comes to the Father  
except through me.*

*- John 14:6 ESV*



***There is salvation in no one else!  
God has given no other name under  
heaven by which we must be saved.***

***- Acts 4:12 NLT***

**- Exclusively**



**- Literally**



# 2. Being in His Presence



***Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”***

***- John 14:9 ESV***

**13** *“If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me. **14** I will be found by you,” says the Lord.*

*- Jeremiah 29:13-14 NLT*

**2** *I know your works, your labor, and your endurance, and that you cannot tolerate evil...4* **4** *But I have this against you: You have abandoned the love you had at first.*

*- Revelation 2:2, 4 CSB*

# 3. Believing in His Person





**10** *Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?...*

**11** *Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me.*

*- John 14:10a, 11a ESV*

***We ought always to give thanks to  
God for you, brothers, as is right,  
because your faith is growing  
abundantly.***

***- 2 Thessalonians 1:3 ESV***

***And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.***

***- Hebrews 11:6 NLT***

# 4. Bending to His Word



***The words that I say to you I do not  
speak on my own authority,  
but the Father who dwells in me  
does his works.***

***- John 14:10b ESV***

# 5. Beholding His Works



***...or else believe on account  
of the works themselves.***

***- John 14:11b ESV***

***Come and see what our God  
has done, what awesome miracles  
he performs for people!***

***- Psalm 66:5 NLT***



***For God, who said, “Let there be light in the darkness,” has made this light shine in our hearts so we could know the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ.***

***- 2 Corinthians 4:6 NLT***