

Knowing God

God is _____

Romans 1:19-20 (ESV) For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.

Genesis 1:1a In the Beginning God...

Four Laws of Hermeneutics (interpreting and applying scripture)

1. Law of First _____.

When a word or concept is first introduced in the Bible, its meaning and use often shed important light on God's original intent and inform our understanding and biblical theology (understanding of God).

2. Law of _____.

Every text has a specific context that determines its meaning and application. This context includes the people, culture, time, place, and situation. (I.e. Jeremiah 29:11)

- **Principles** are timeless; **Promises** are conditional.

3. Law of _____.

Christian doctrine (teaching) must be consistent with the whole counsel of God's Word. Our culture and context are subject to change. God is not. Man is famous for attempting to "make God in his own image."

4. Law of _____.

Christian doctrine (teaching) must be in agreement (harmony) with God's character and Nature as portrayed in the CONTEXT of the Holy Scriptures.

Matthew 22:37-40 NIV

"**Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.**" This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Exodus 34:5-7 NIV Then the Lord came down in the cloud and stood there with (Moses) and proclaimed his name, the Lord. And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "**The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.**"

See Attributes Handout

Big Idea: God is knowable, yet incomprehensible.

Faith is... (Hebrews 11:1)

“MORE in 2024”

Manna Church Sanford – 21 Days Prayer & Fasting
(Jan 1-21, 2024)

Daily Prayer Focus

- 7th – Pray for MORE of God’s transformative power in our Worship Experiences.
- 8th – Pray the Lord of the Harvest would grant faith to MORE people around us.
- 9th – Pray for MORE people to take their FIRST STEPs in Christ
- 10th – Pray that our Small Groups will be MORE relational and transformational.
- 11th – Pray MORE people will take their NEXT STEPs toward Christian maturity.
- 12th – Pray our NEXT GENERATION experiences MORE of the Holy Spirit.
- 13th – Pray for our National Leaders and the coming transitions of government.

Join one of our Prayer Gatherings.
Monday-Friday Mornings 7:30-8:30 a.m.
Wednesday Eve 6:30-730 p.m.
In the Worship Center

Save the Dates

Reach Out Celebration 2024
February
23rd – Kick Off
24th – ROC Stories
25th – Miracle Sunday

At Manna Church, we are on a mission to glorify God by equipping His people to change their world and planting churches with a world-changing vision.

We Plan to Accomplish This By . . .

- Helping God’s people discover their individual gifts and callings, creating an environment where these may be developed, and deploying God’s people into their world to be salt and light. Our small groups are designed to help accomplish this goal.
- Helping God’s people build strong families and creating a community where individuals may find fulfillment and expression, regardless of age or marital status.
- Planting churches with the same vision both domestically and abroad.