

WHAT GOD WANTS TO DO FOR YOU

Ryland Walter | November 19-20, 2022
Week 6: Seeing Clearly Who's In Charge

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Giving

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

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How To Know God Most High

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The Ark of God in Philistine Territory — 1 Samuel 5

3. Honor _____ as God Most High

Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, ¹⁶ for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. ¹⁸ Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything. ¹⁹ For God in all his fullness was pleased to live in Christ, ²⁰ and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross.

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Talk-it-Over Notes | November 19-20, 2022

REVIEW IT

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Spend some time in the word... **Read Colossians chapter 1**

TALK ABOUT IT

- Who is the most thankful person you know? What made you think of them?
- Of the four ways to demonstrate our thankfulness to God, which one comes easiest to you?
- What makes you scared or angry or sad? Do you know that God rules over those things? They are not bigger or greater than He is. Where do you need God to be Most High in your life?

ACT ON IT

Consider how can you incorporate singing, praying and giving into this holiday season.

PRAY ABOUT IT

Take some time to ask how you can pray for and support one another this week. Then, close praying for one another.