

THE DEEP THINGS OF GOD

Being born of the Spirit of God should result in being thirsty for God and for a glimpse of His glory.

Some may be led to accept Jesus as Savior and be lacking in that hunger for God that results in a changed life.

Some may pray to receive Christ and lack any great love for the Savior and His salvation from sin.

Praying to receive Christ and forgiveness of sin does not guarantee new birth.

Praying words can be out of a wrong motive and without understanding.

Some may just want to miss hell by the skin of their teeth.

For those who receive Christ and are born again, many are led to be satisfied and be content without experiencing the deeper things of God.

To have eternal life is to know God the Father and Jesus the Son.

God is an infinite being. The new born in Christ should be taught to strive after God and seek His glory.

The Holy Spirit is our teacher and counselor. The Bible is our textbook. Life is our testing ground.

God is love, and God dispenses His wrath in love. At this time, the judgment of God is declared while mercy and grace are provisionally offered. Today, those who do not believe in the Son of God are condemned already, yet mercy and grace are offered through faith in Christ. Those who cooperate with Spirit led conviction and are born again are moved out from under wrath and condemnation.

Mercy and grace are suspended at the final judgment and those who never came to believe in Jesus are given the desire of their heart to be separated from God.

The infinite riches of God are traded by many for pursuit of self-gratification. The life of selfish pursuits does not end well. Sin does not end well. Sin ends in unfulfilled greed, anger, envy, lust, and separations.

The infinite riches of God can only begin to be experienced. Today we are blessed to experience joy in knowing just a glimpse of God and His glory. We experience peace with God and the peace of God which gives us assurance, comfort, and expectation of eternal life with Him. We learn to have the patience for waiting on God for His perfecting work in us and those around us. We learn to show kindness, goodness, and self-control. We learn to experience God's kind of love.

We have inherited a community of citizens in Christ as family, and we will dwell with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and with all the saints in the New Heaven and New Earth with no more division or sin or rebellion.

Not only do we experience the fruits of the Spirit, the Spirit gives us personal motivational gifts which allows us to see the presence of God in our lives by way of ministry to people. The deeper things of

God involve the revealing of His desires for us and the direction that He leads us in all aspects of our life.

Deeper things of God are revealed in His creation of the Universe. By letting our science be guided by Biblical truth we can more accurately understand the power and magnitude of our Creator.

Deeper things of God are revealed by the very Word of God, the Holy Bible. But the greatest revelation is in the person of Jesus Christ who left Heaven and became human flesh. As we get to know Jesus by the infallible Word of God, we get to know God. Jesus leads us into the deeper truths concerning provisional forgiveness, judicial forgiveness, and the parental forgiveness of God. Only by the words of Jesus can we comprehend the total freedom of God to forgive freely without payment. Only by the words of Jesus can we learn that He is the Way by which believers escape sin, wrath, and condemnation. Our separation from sole relationship to Adam to being united to relationship with Christ is accomplished by our being crucified with Christ and raised to a new life. Being born again in Christ is the Way. Born again believers are set totally free of sin at physical death. Born again believers experience new life as the indwelling Spirit of God initiates and empowers works of righteousness in life through fruits of the Spirit and motivational gifts of the Spirit. These works of righteousness are the treasures we lay up in Heaven.

Deeper things of God include the discernment of what is good and what is evil. When the world calls what is good evil and what is evil good, born again believers who have been pursuing God and His glory will know the difference.

Deeper things of God include the discernment of what is truth in Scriptural teachings and what is misunderstandings of men concerning Scripture and concerning God Himself.