

CAN I KNOW GOD PERSONALLY

1. God's Desire to be Intimate with You (Genesis 1-2; Psalm 139:13-18; John 3:16; 1st Corinthians 6:19)

Genesis 1&2: God made it with you in mind

From words to actions: 1:26 "let there be" vs. "let us make"

Intimate Touch: 2:7 "formed" as a potter "breathed into his nostrils"

Relational Name: 2:4 God vs. LORD a very loud shift in the story

Human Intimacy as Model of God: 1:27 ties human in relationship to Image of God

Psalm 139: God is involved in your life & is thinking about you--a lot!

Romans 5:8; 8:38-39: God's love you has nothing to do with you!

1 Cor. 6:19 The Ultimate in Intimate

2. Intimacy with God is never forced so enjoying God's love has everything to do with you.

Revelation 3:20: God is trying to get you attention

Genesis 3: Turning away from LORD and back to God

Life by the Spirit: Gal. 5:13-23

3. Intimacy: Turn the page over

4. Notice Pray Listen Include: A model for growing more intimate

Noticing: recognizing God where you typically do not

Pray: talking with God-no formula-no magic-Lord's Prayer is great start

Listen: recognizing that God IS communicating-Bible, Community etc.

Include: recognizing that we are fundamentally meant to be together

EXPLORING KINDS OF INTIMACY WITH THE LORD

Emotional

Physical

Recreational

Intellectual

Financial/Asset

Spiritual

Aesthetic

Creative

Communication

Work

Conflict

Crisis

Communal

God, I recognize that you are inviting me into a deeper intimacy with you. Please help me enjoy greater _____ & _____ intimacy with you.

I will notice by _____ and I will pray about _____

listen by _____ and include these people _____

_____ in my journey with you.