

Study QUESTIONS

Ep. 1299: Who is God? (Part III)

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See:

1. Define the first words used to describe God in the New Testament? From where in the Old Testament is Mark quoting? What do these quotes prophesy? Did the prophecy come true? (See Mark 1:1-3, Malachi 3:1, Isaiah 40:3)
2. In what way did the Angel Gabriel represent God differently to Zacharias compared to Mary? Why did Gabriel present God in a different way to these two? What did Gabriel say Jesus would be called? Who were sons of God before Jesus? (See Luke 1:18-19, 26-28, 31-38)
3. How did Jesus know he was God's son? Why was it possible for Jesus to pay the ransom to save *all men*? Please explain thoroughly. (See Luke 2:49-52, 1 Timothy 2:3-6)
4. Who was Jesus speaking to when he spoke the Beatitudes? Why would it have been difficult for Jewish Christians to think of God as "Father"? What conditions are required for people to become sons of God? (See Matthew 5:1-3, 16, 43-45, 6:1-9)
5. How do John 14:1-2, 5-6, 23 describe a relationship with God? How do these scriptures make you feel about *your* relationship with the Father? Why did Jesus warn Mary not to touch him after his resurrection? What did Jesus promise would come to his disciples after he ascended back to his Father? (John 20:16-17, Acts 1:6-8, 2:33)
6. Why is God never referred to as "Father" in the rest of the book of Acts? What were Moses, Abraham and all of Israel considered in relation to God? What was available to the Jewish people after Jesus? Why would this have been difficult for Jewish Christians? How are you following Jesus' precepts and footsteps to become a son of God? How do you feel when you "pause and consider" God as your Father? (See Hebrews 3:5-6, 12:7-9)
7. Can you feel his anguish when Jesus cries *Abba! Father!* in Mark 14:36? How is *Abba! Father!* used in Romans 8:13-15? What are the circumstances for crying *Abba! Father!* in Galatians 4:4-7? What will this relationship with God allow us to do? How have you been able to rest and trust in your *Abba* during times of stress?
8. How do the following scriptures reveal more of God's character? Which do you find speaks to you most?

1 John 4:16 Romans 15:13 2 Corinthians 1:3 1 Peter 5:10
9. What is promised for the future in Isaiah 2:2-4 and Revelation 21:3-4? How do you see the reality of God's plan for man being very close to fruition? How do you feel the privilege of knowing God in your life? How has knowing God's various names in the Bible influenced how you think of Him?