



**Explore God:
Can I know God personally?**

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What do you believe are key components to a relationship?

1. God _____ you.

a. He _____ me.

- *Psalm 139:13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.*

b. He _____ me.

- *Jeremiah 31:34 "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."*

c. He _____ me.

- *Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, 5 he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.*

2. God makes you one of his _____!

- *Galatians 4:1-7 What I am saying is that as long as the heir is a child, he is no different from a slave, although he owns the whole estate. 2 He is subject to guardians and trustees until the time set by his father. 3 So also, when we were children, we were in slavery under the basic principles of the world. 4 But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, 5 to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. 6 Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir.*

a. I am his _____!

b. God hears my _____!

c. I have a home in _____.

3. God _____ to me!

a. **He leads me to _____ him.**

- *Romans 10:17* Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.
- *John 20:31* 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

b. **He guides me to _____ him.**

- *Proverbs 4:10* Listen, my son, accept what I say, and the years of your life will be many. 11 I guide you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths. 12 When you walk, your steps will not be hampered; when you run, you will not stumble. 13 Hold on to instruction, do not let it go; guard it well, for it is your life.

c. **To keep me close to him _____!**

- *John 6:66* From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

67 "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve.

68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. 69 We believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

4. How do I answer this question?

- What makes a relationship personal?
- How has God shown this personal relationship to you?
- What difference would a relationship with God make?

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SERMON REFLECTIONS: Apply to My Life

The thought the Spirit is leading me to focus on is:

The change the Spirit is leading me to work on is:

The action the Spirit is prompting me to take is:

My prayers today are:

Someone I would like to bless with today's message:

MY PERSONAL NOTES