

Paul's Letter of Joy

***Living In Peace
In the Lord***

Philippians 4:5b - 9

The Greatest Thing

The greatest thing in all my life is **knowing** You.
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I want to **know** You more; I want to **know** You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is **knowing** You.

The greatest thing in all my life is **loving** You.
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I want to **love** You more; I want to **love** You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is **loving** You.

The greatest thing in all my life is **serving** You.
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I want to **serve** You more; I want to **serve** You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is **serving** You.

Knowing God

What were we made for? To Know God. What aim should we set for or ourselves in life? To know God. What is the “eternal life” that Jesus gives? Knowledge of God. “This is life eternal, that they might know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent” (John 17:3). What is the best thing in life, bringing more joy, delight, and contentment, than anything else? Knowledge of God . . .

**J. I. Packer
Knowing God
p. 29.**

God Wants Us To Know Him

Thus says the Lord, “Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things,” declares the Lord.

Jeremiah 9:23 - 24

God Wants Us To Know Him

For I delight in loyalty rather than sacrifice,
And in the **knowledge of God** rather than burnt offerings.

Hosea 6:6

God Wants Us To Love Him

“Hear, O Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one! “You shall **love the Lord your God** with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Deuteronomy 6:4 - 5

The Lord Is Near

Philippians 4:5b

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eggus = “near or close”

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**Correct
View**



Jonah tried to flee from God

Be Anxious For Nothing

Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for nothing . . .



merimnao = “anxiety due to fear”

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Philippians 4:6

Be anxious for . . .

nothing

But in . . .

all



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Philippians 4:6

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. . . But in all by:

- ***prayer***
- ***supplication***
- ***ask***

. . . God.

And the Peace of God

Philippians 4:7

- **This is a promise . . .**

And the Peace of God

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***Peace is not found in the
words of prayer
but
in the God to whom
we pray!***

... Dwell On These Things

Philippians 4:8

Finally, brethren, whatever is . . .

True

Honorable

Right

Pure

Lovely

Good repute,

**if there is any excellence and if anything
worthy of praise, dwell on these things.**

... Dwell On These Things

Philippians 4:9

... Obedience results in peace!

Keys to Spiritual Stability

Philippians 4:2 - 9

- **Live in harmony.**
- **Rejoice always in the Lord.**
- **Forgive others.**
- **Remember the Lord is present.**
- **When anxious, pray to God.**
- **Dwell on that worthy of praise.**
- **Be obedient.**