

2 Timothy 3.14-15

knowing God

Best friends

Who are your best friends?

And how well do you know them?

See how many of the questions below you can answer ...



My best friends

What are they called?

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When is their birthday?

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What is their favourite TV programme?

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How many siblings do they have?

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What pets (if any do they have)?

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What is their home address?

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What's their favourite food?

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When do they go to bed at night?

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What's their favourite soft toy called?

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today's passage

How did you get on, thinking about your best friends?

How many questions could you give an answer to and know that you'd got it right?

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It's one thing knowing *about* a person.

Actually **knowing** the person is something rather different.

And that's what **'living a godly life'** is really all about: living a godly life means you're wanting to

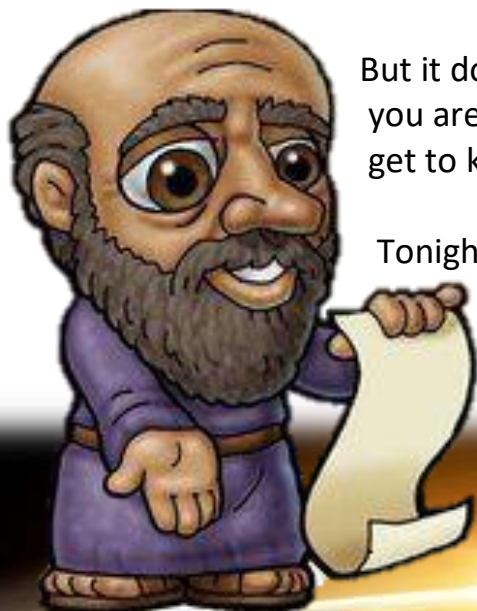
know God

(and not just know about Him)

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Paul wanted to encourage Timothy to **carry on** getting to know God better.

Timothy was a minister, remember!



But it doesn't matter who you are – we all need to get to know God better!

Tonight we're going to find out **how** to get to know God better.

Read

2 Tim.3.10-17

¹⁰ You, however, know all about my ¹¹ persecutions, sufferings – what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured.

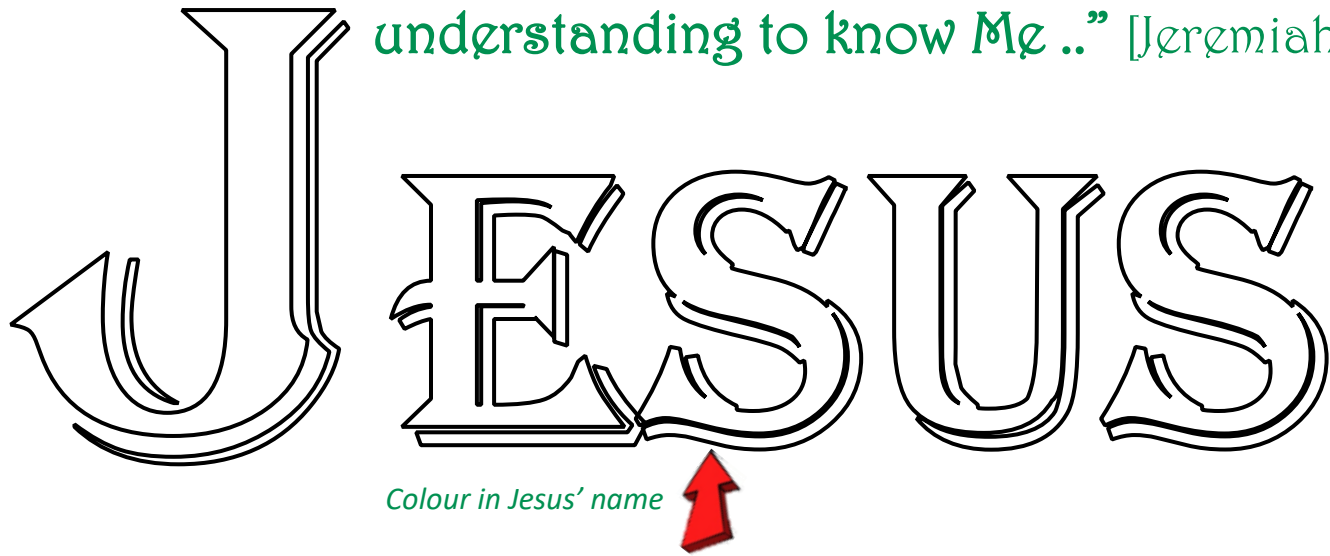
Yet **the Lord rescued me from all of them.**

¹² In fact, everyone who wants to **live a godly life** in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, ¹³ while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived.

¹⁴ But as for you, **continue** in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it. ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

KNOW
GOD

“Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength or the rich boast of their riches, but let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have the understanding to know Me ..” [Jeremiah 9.23-24]



listen carefully to the Bible being preached

2
Timothy
3.14

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you learned it



Timothy had heard Paul preaching many times – Paul was always preaching! Timothy had learned a lot from listening to Paul.

Paul told him to make sure he kept on learning from the Bible being preached.

It's important for you, too, to get into the habit of learning from the Bible being taught and preached by a minister who loves Jesus and teaches His Word faithfully.

Colour in the pictures!

learn from older Christians



“you know .. how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures”

From his earliest days Timothy's mother and grandmother had helped him understand what the Bible says.

You'll find it helpful to talk through with other, older Christians what the Bible says – at home, at Sunday School, or with your friends.

fact file

What was the name of –

Timothy's mother?

_____ I _____

Timothy's grandmother?

_____ I _____

You'll find the answers in 2 Timothy 1.5



dig deep

into the Bible yourself!

“..the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus”

- * Try and find time to read a bit from the Bible every day.
- * Ask God to be teaching you from His Word.
- * Use some Bible notes to help you
- * Think about the passage – what are you being taught?
- * Learn to put into practice what you've been learning.

A Prayer

Think about what you've been learning in this worksheet.

Now try praying this prayer (or making up your own prayer!)



Lord Jesus, thank You for all my friends.

I have a lot of fun with them all!

I like hanging out with them: and the more I get to know them the more special it is being friends with them!

I want You as my friend, too!

The more I get to know You the more I realise how wonderful it is to have You as my friend!

You're the best friend anyone could ever have!

So I really want to get to know You more and more!

Help me to make time to be with You, to hear what You're saying in the Bible and to learn more and more about You!



**Today's verse for you
to try and remember!**

KNOWING

“.. let the one who boasts boast
about this: that they have the
understanding to know Me”

Jeremiah 9.24



A WORDSEARCH

Here's a Wordsearch taken from Psalm 145:8-9

*"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.
The Lord is good to all; He has compassion on all He has made."*

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COLOUR in the picture

