

- In order to truly love someone, you must know who they are. Getting to know someone is the first step in loving them. John 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.
- Loving God requires us to know Him. We must understand His Word and what He expects from us to form a lasting bond with Him. 2Tim. 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
- The preacher rightly divides the Word and also teaches who God is. We learn the application of God's desires through the preached word. Rom. 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?



- Knowing God comes from us accepting His way of knowing Him. We cannot fabricate or choose another way. The only way to know Him is through His Son, Jesus Christ. John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
- Jesus came to teach men how to please God. A son always knows how to please his father and show others the way to his heart. Mark 6:34 And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.
- Following rumors, traditions, and the doctrines of men is not the way to knowing God. Jesus proved this by rebuking the Pharisees for holding on to erroneous beliefs and ideals. Mark 7:13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.



- When we profess our love for God while failing to follow His Son's teachings, we are full of vanity. Only a vain person believes that they accepted, when they are not. Eph. 4:17 This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,
- The Bible makes it clear that there is no other way to God except through His Son, Jesus. This profession is not just about claiming Jesus, but also being obedient to what He established. John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.
- Jesus came to teach the way and show us how to live. We become sons of the Most High when we conform to His way. Without Jesus Christ, we are not serving the true God of the Bible. 1John 2:23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.



## Summary



The state of disbelief starts with trauma. Traumatic experiences birth resentment. Resentment produces the entitlement mindset. Finally, entitlement brings forth vanity. Sadly, this is the common course for the majority of millennials. They are so vain that they believe that they can have God without really knowing Him. The Internet has caused so many to accept virtual friends, virtual identities, and virtual love. This warped perception has caused this generation to embrace a virtual God. The God they serve, is not real. He conforms to their every wish, desire, and expectation. They change him into whatever they want, whenever they want. When challenges arise or when rules or regulations are mentioned, they modify their belief to accommodate their behavior. This practice is vanity at its highest level.

True believers believe the whole Bible. We believe and trust that God preserved His Word for us to know Him and for us to be able to live better lives through the rules and regulations that His Son came to teach. This is the way to God. Believing and obeying the Bible is not just a way into heaven, it's also a way to live peaceably with true love. Loving God means that we accept His correction, reproof, chastisement and guidance. This makes our lives better and helps us make others better in the process. When things are done God's way, situations are better. However, when we operate through vanity, we hurt others for our own pleasure and benefit. If we truly want to love God the right way, we must follow His Son!

John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments. John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

John 14:17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.