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## Pursuit of Knowledge

Ah! September! The pursuit of knowledge begins again! Kids and teachers return to the classroom to discover new and wonderful pieces of knowledge. It can be exciting as well as frustrating. Ask a teacher, ask a parent, ask a student.

Several years ago, I became frustrated with my uncertainty of knowledge. What did I know? Found out I didn't know much about whatever it was I needed to know but several very important facts became very clear to me and those facts give me hope and courage for every aspect of my life.

- ~ Jesus loves me this I know!
- ~ I know that my Redeemer lives!
- ~ Jesus rose from the dead and I have eternal life!
- ~ My sins are forgiven!
- ~ I will go to heaven when I die!

I have those facts written on the inside cover of my Bible and I see them with clarity every time I open my Bible and the comfort that gives me can only be described as PEACE!

I decided to go to my trusty concordance to see how many references to the word "know" I could find in the Bible. Oh, my goodness! Pages! Then "knowledge" then "known"! Pages and pages! The only conclusion I can reach is to know Jesus is the most important kind of knowledge.

A teacher had assigned her class to memorize Psalm 23. One child with some learning disabilities got to the first verse "The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want" and that's as far as the child got – she said and repeated that part of the verse and said "that's all I need to know." How comforting God's Word is!

Then in Jeremiah the Lord says "For I know the plans I have for you..." Those are words of comfort but also encouragement. Just think, the Lord has plans specifically for you and for me! And Job, in the midst of his suffering shouted "I know that my redeemer lives!" God's words are promises fulfilled!

The Psalms offer us many points of knowledge and comfort. I would encourage you to go to the Psalms and find the references to "know" and find your favorite! God's words are filled with praise!

In your pursuit of the knowledge of God, may you find comfort, peace, joy, always covered in knowing God is a God of LOVE!

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## Psalm 46:10

"Be still and **know** that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations. I will be exalted in the earth."



## Psalm 119:66

Teach me **knowledge** and good judgment, for I trust your commands.

## Psalm 4:3

**Know** that the LORD has set apart his faithful servant for himself; the LORD hears when I call to him.



## Psalm 16:11

You make **known** to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.