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THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD IS KNOWN IN OUR HEARTS

Romans 1:19 in the New Living Translation says: "For the truth about God is known to them INSTINCTIVELY. God has put this knowledge in their hearts".

It almost relates to the human spirit being created with a "microchip" that will always give us data about the living God. The knowledge of God was encoded in us before birth and before the creation of this earth as we know it.

In verse 20 we read as follows: "From the time the world was created people have seen the earth and sky and all that God has made. They can clearly see His INVISIBLE properties - His power and divine nature. So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God."

Paul describes further how mankind should have taken information from the created earth and sky and its content and used it to confirm that the information encoded in their hearts is true. The desired result would be to acknowledge His presence by being thankful and then to worship Him.

However, history shows that mankind decided to take the information from the created earth and sky and because God was INVISIBLE they decided to make objects from the earth God created into objects that are like how they THOUGHT God should look and then to worship these objects. The book Romans mentions animals, birds and people. However, God has ordained us to KNOW Him and WORSHIP Him.

It is then not a miracle that Abraham KNEW God's voice when he heard it and responded. No-one ever told Abram (his name before God changed it) about God. Yet, inherently, he knew who God was and worshipped Him and gave a tenth of all he had to Melchizedek (a type of the High Priest). Abram KNEW God and worshipped and obeyed Him INSTINCTIVELY.

Paul says in Romans 1:20 that "no-one has an excuse whatsoever for not knowing God". How many children are brought up without the knowledge that God created this earth and all that is within it? In spite of them being taught about the big bang theory and Darwin's evolution theory, we have many times been witnesses to the same young person (who has not been raised hearing the



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word of salvation) deciding to follow Jesus, becoming saved from judgment and going on to live the life of a saint (a separated born again believer). Because of that "microchip" inside of the human spirit they could relate to what was preached, recognised what they "already knew", acknowledged it and started to believe in God and His Son Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Now an exciting time of believing and learning starts and this young person gets to really build a relationship with this God that he "already knew" on the inside. Wow!

It is wonderful to know that the day we accept Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, all the information that was locked up in this "microchip" becomes unlocked and available to us for application in our lives. Given, we struggle a bit, because many of us don't know that the knowledge of the fullness of the God-head now is open within us (that all that God knows is available to us within us). As we grow and build a relationship with our Father (that relationship that Adam lost was restored to us through the unselfish act of Jesus) we become acutely aware of Him and start to LOVE Him like never before. Now only do we start to live in His promises and our faith in Him grows stronger every day and we start to fulfill His purpose for our lives.

Then of course, there are those who keep on denying the truth within them while looking for answers outside of the knowledge in their hearts (human spirit); looking for something they can SEE that will tell them what is real. Those are the people who would rather believe Darwin or the big bang or worship "mother earth", as an example. Frankly, it takes more faith to believe these theories than to believe that God made all as the Alpha and Omega. Well, when in the book of Romans Paul speaks of "the wages of sin is death" he means that those who continue to deny that God exists, that His Son Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead will come to a spiritual death and remain spiritually dead for as long as they keep denying the truth within them. That sin is the constant denial that Jesus died to set us free from a sinful nature, is alive and has opened the door to God's throne room so that we can again build our relationship with Him – the One who is and was and always will be.

I urge you to make a study of the book of Romans. There is so much to learn, but the most striking thing I learnt was that I already KNEW God within my spirit before I accepted Jesus as my Saviour. Once I received Him, the knowledge within my spirit became unlocked and I could use it to enjoy a restored relationship with my Heavenly Father.



I am now living in the “Garden of Eden” – walking with my Lord in the cool of the day; sitting on His lap in His throne room; walking with Him in a beautiful garden; dancing with Him on His feet in the sun; seated with Christ at the right hand of the Father, never being out of touch with Him. This does not mean that trouble does not come my way, but it means that when Daddy is in the house, no trouble can last forever.

I love my Daddy; Jesus gave Him back to me. So, I love and honour Jesus and I take His example to obey what my Father wants and I am joyful every day because of this.

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