

Core Seminars—Meeting with God **Class 1: The What, Why, and How**



Introduction

Two Assumptions:

- 1) That it is possible to meet with God.
- 2) That meeting with God is something we should do.

I. Assumption 1

“How does it appear that there is a God? Answer: The very light of nature in man, and the works of God, declare plainly that there is a God; but his Word and Spirit only do sufficiently and effectually reveal him unto men for their salvation.”

-Westminster Larger Catechism: Question 2

God reveals Himself in two ways:

1. General revelation

Psalm 19:1-2
Romans 1:19-20

2. Special revelation

Old Testament:

New Testament:

Today:

Meeting with God Core Seminar Schedule

Week 1: Introduction: The What, Why and How of Meeting with God

Week 2: Meeting with God in His Word: Hearing and Reading

Week 3: Meeting with God in His Word: Studying, Meditating and Memorizing

Week 4: Meeting with God through Prayer

Week 5: Prayer, Hindrances and Practicalities

Week 6: Panel

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Five Things We Learn about Jesus from Scripture

1. He is the image of the invisible of God. (Colossians 1:15)
2. He was a prophet. (John 12:49-50)
3. He is a priest (mediator). (Hebrews 9:11-12)
4. He is King. (John 18:33-37)
5. He is God. (John 1:1)

But our sin separates us from God.

The New Testament establishes the means of restoration.

“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

-Hebrews 4:16

II. Assumption 2

Reasons we should meet with God:

1. Because He is worthy.
2. Because we are His.
3. Because it leads us into a deeper relationship with Him.
4. Because it leads us to worship Him.
5. Because it helps us grow.
6. Because it helps us fight.

Hebrews 4:12 is a message of encouragement for the Christian to persevere.

III. How do we meet with God?

1. We meet with God through Jesus Christ, our mediator by faith.
2. We meet with God through scripture.
 - a. 2 Timothy 3:16-17
 - b. Scripture that speaks of itself.
 - i. Matthew 4:4
 - ii. Deuteronomy 8:3
 - iii. Romans 15:4
 - iv. Psalm 119
 - c. Mediation and self-examination
3. We meet with God through prayer.
4. We meet with God by coming together with the people of God.