

GOD'S ENDGAME

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INTRODUCTION:

A. God wants to be in relationship with us!

B. We can be in relationship with God because:

1. God is real.

- His creativity (Genesis 1:1 & Romans 1:19-20)
- His activity in human history (Acts 17:26-27)
- His actions in our lives (I Kings 18:24-39)

2. God is revealed.

- Through Creation (Romans 1:20)
- Through His Word the Bible (2 Peter 1:20-21)
- Through His Son Jesus (John 1:18)

3. God is relational

- He created us to be in relationship with Him
 - Created in His image (Genesis 1:26)
- He is involved in every detail of our lives (Matthew 6:25-30)
- He sacrificed for us in sending His Son into the world to die as our Savior (John 3:16).

I. KNOWING GOD

A. God exists as a Trinity.

"Therefore, go and baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."

– Matthew 28:19

- All three present at the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:10-11).

B. God is absolutely sovereign.

Before the mountains were born, or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

– Psalm 90:2

- Sovereignty refers to God's supreme power, authority and control.

C. God is perfectly moral.

Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

– Psalm 23:6

- God is holy, compassionate, just and loving.

D. God is a God of grace.

He is so rich in kindness and grace that He purchased our freedom with the blood of His Son and forgave our sins.

– Ephesians 1:7

- Grace is not what we deserve.
- He chose us to be His "adopted" children.

For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

– Romans 8:16

CONCLUSION: