



When God Walked Among Us

Introduction

The name of this web site is “Living 4 Thee”, the word “Thee” referring, of course, to God. With that in mind, the most appropriate thing I can do is give you as good an idea as I can of who God is. It seems the best way to do this is to look at God from the most advantageous perspective available to us, and that would be when he was on this earth in human form as the person Jesus of Nazareth. Taking a close look at who our savior is gives us a chance to get up close and personal with God.

Jesus made it very clear that He and the Father are one.

Mar 12:29 Jesus answered, "The greatest is, 'Hear, Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one:

So it stands to reason that if we take a close look at Jesus we will have an intimate glimpse of God.

Joh 14:7 If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on, you know him, and have seen him."

Joh 14:8 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us."

Joh 14:9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you such a long time, and do you not know me, Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Father. How do you say, 'Show us the Father?'

So I've placed on this web site a series called “When God Walked Among Us” in which we will take a look at Jesus in seven situations and circumstances while he was on this earth. Hopefully, after reading these lessons you will feel that you know God better than you ever have. If we're going to live for him, then it's vital that we have a good understanding of who he is and what he wants. We need to get inside his head and his heart to see the real Jesus.

We will take a look at Jesus:

1. **On the cross**
2. **In the sand**
3. **In the temple**
4. **In the desert**
5. **On the water**
6. **In the garden**
7. **and On the mountain**

This series stems from the scripture found in Luke 24:13 – 32. This event took place after Jesus had been crucified, buried and resurrected.

Luke 24:13 Behold, two of them were going that very day to a village named Emmaus, which was sixty stadia from Jerusalem.

Luke 24:14 They talked with each other about all of these things which had happened.

Luke 24:15 It happened, while they talked and questioned together, that Jesus himself came near, and went with them.

Luke 24:16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

Luke 24:17 He said to them, "**What are you talking about as you walk, and are sad?**"

Luke 24:18 One of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who doesn't know the things which have happened there in these days?"

Luke 24:19 He said to them, "**What things?**" They said to him, "The things concerning Jesus, the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people;

Luke 24:20 and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him.

Luke 24:21 But we were hoping that it was he who would redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened.

Luke 24:22 Also, certain women of our company amazed us, having arrived early at the tomb;

Luke 24:23 and when they didn't find his body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive.

Luke 24:24 Some of us went to the tomb, and found it just like the women had said, but they didn't see him."

Luke 24:25 He said to them, "**Foolish men, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!**"

Luke 24:26 **Didn't the Christ have to suffer these things and to enter into his glory?"**

Luke 24:27 Beginning from Moses and from all the prophets, he explained to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

Luke 24:28 They drew near to the village, where they were going, and he acted like he would go further.

Luke 24:29 They urged him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is almost evening, and the day is almost over." He went in to stay with them.

Luke 24:30 It happened, that when he had sat down at the table with them, he took the bread and gave thanks. Breaking it, he gave to them.

Luke 24:31 Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished out of their sight.

[Luke 24:32](#) They said one to another, "Weren't our hearts burning within us, while he spoke to us along the way, and while he opened the Scriptures to us?"

For those of us who have encountered Christ we know there was a time when he spoke to us but we didn't recognize him. We heard what he was saying, but didn't know he was the one speaking. There was a time when he walked among us and we were unaware of him yet his words burned within us. And if we listen carefully enough; if we are attentive with our minds, and if our hearts are open enough we will see the God who is here now.

Knowing God is absolutely central to the meaning of human life, because it is only in the context of an intimate, personal relationship with Him that we experience eternal life. At the same time, there is no assignment more daunting, no task more demanding, no challenge more overwhelming, and yet, nothing more rewarding, than that of seeking to understand the being, nature, character, and attributes of the eternal Creator, who is Himself the ultimate source of all truth (Colossians 2:3). We cannot truly know ourselves until we have begun to know God in the fullness and richness of His multifaceted nature and character - not only as the God of mercy and grace, but also as the God who is a consuming fire, jealous for the purity of the covenant relationship (El Qanna). When this knowledge dawns upon us, we can expect two things to happen. First, the revelation of God's character will, like a mirror, reveal things to us about ourselves, so that we, along with the prophet Isaiah, are compelled to cry, "Woe is me, for I am undone!" (Isaiah 6:5). But then secondly, as He raises us out of our despair and shows us who we are and who we can be in Him - a whole new concept of our being, our identity, and our purpose in Him - a whole new concept of our being, our identity, and our purpose in life with God. Once again, the fruit of this experience will be personal transformation.

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If we will allow ourselves to truly get to know him, and understand him, we will see how important we are to him. Then we will understand how deeply he loves us and we will want to immerse ourselves in him. He wants to talk to us every day, and he wants us with him forever.

God bless you in the study of his word.