



Devotional Study Guide Journal

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Blaming God

People blame God for the most horrible things. They say, "God works in mysterious ways, His wonders to perform." He does, but not in the way people accuse Him. We talk as if we can't know anything about God, quoting scripture saying, "Who can know the mind of the Lord?" Here's the entire passage often only partially quoted.

1 Corinthians 2:9-16

But as it is written:

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard,
Nor have entered into the heart of man
The things which God has prepared for those who love
Him."

¹⁰ But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.

For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God. ¹¹ For what man knows the things of a man except the spirit of the man which is in him? Even so no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, **that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.**

¹³ These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual. ¹⁴ But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ But he who is spiritual judges all things, yet he himself is rightly judged by no one. ¹⁶ For "who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?" **But we have the mind of Christ.**

Born again Christians CAN know the mind of Christ because the Spirit of God dwells in us.

There is another powerful way we can know what God is by observing Jesus actions. Jesus said, "If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father," and Colossians 1 says that Jesus is "the visible image of the invisible God." So we can see what God the Father is like by reading the gospels. Jesus life, words, and actions were an exact representation of God the Father. When we characterize God, we need to be careful to base our conclusions on what we see in Jesus.

Please consider these facts. Did Jesus ever cause a destructive storm while on earth? No. He did calm them, though. Jesus never made anyone sick, but He did heal them. He never killed anyone, but he did raise them from the dead. Did he condemn sinners? No. When His disciples wanted to call down fire from heaven, he forbade them. Did He tell someone who was seeking healing to wait a while until he could use the sickness to bring about good? No, never. Did he kill children? Absolutely never! Did He cause calamity? No, He did not.

*Jesus is the **exact** representation of our Father. Get to know more about God by learning more about Jesus, and please think a little longer before attributing God with evil.*

If you are interested in learning more about the sovereignty of God, consider studying my book entitled: [In Defense of My Father: Toward a Better Understanding of the Sovereignty of God.](#)

