



Consider the Lord Again ...

NorthRidge Church

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My greatest barrier to knowing God better ... may be how much I know about how much God knows about Me.

A Glimpse into God's Heart ...

- 1) He Loves to _____ . – vs. 6-7
- 2) He _____ to Those Who Don't Deserve It. – vs. 8

Four great attributes of God from Ps. 103:8

- a. The Lord is **compassionate** – He pardons us.
- b. The Lord is **gracious** – He gives us what we don't deserve.
- c. The Lord is **slow to anger** – He is patient with us when we fall.
- d. The Lord **abounds in love** – He loves us more than we can imagine.

- 3) He Tempers _____ . – vs. 9-10
- 4) He Forgives _____ . – vs. 11-12
- 5) He Understands _____ . – vs. 13
- 6) He Remembers _____ . – vs. 14-16
- 7) He Links Us with _____ By Linking Us with _____ . – vs. 17-18

Therefore ...

1. We are richer than we think, we are more blessed than we know, and we have more than we realize.
2. _____ and you will find your way home to _____.

Truth for Life

For the week of April 1, 2018

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. When you look back over your life, what has been the greatest disappointment you have faced? What do you perceive has been your greatest disappointment to God? How has your perceived failures affected your connection with God? Your understanding of His desire to connect with you?
2. If you were to write a list of all that you know about yourself, how many pages would it take? Of all the stuff you write down, how much of it would be good or honorable? How much of it would be otherwise? Consider a similar list about what you know about God. How many pages would it be? Of what you know about God, does it cause you to want to run **to** Him or run **away** from Him? Why?
3. Let's get to know a little about God. Each of the verse sets below describe an attribute or characteristic about God. Identify the characteristic and then describe how that characteristic is important to you.
 - Psalm 102:25-27; Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8
 - Jeremiah 23:23-24; Psalm 139: 7-12
 - Job 37:16; Psalm 147:5; Romans 11:33
 - 1 John 4:8; Jeremiah 31:3; John 3:16
 - Genesis 18:14; 1 John 4:4; Job 42:2
4. The very fact that God sent His Son into the world to die on a cross for sinful humanity ought to remind us that God loves us and desires a relationship with us ... in spite of what we have done. Jesus came to reconnect man and God. Do you know Christ as Savior? Do you have a relationship with Him? If so, share your story with another. If not, consider what He has done for you and accept Him in your heart today. Seek help with this most important decision if need be.

Memory Verse

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- 4) He Forgives **All Our Sins**. – vs. 11-12
- 5) He Understands **Our Weakness**. – vs. 13
- 6) He Remembers **That We Are Dust**. – vs. 14-16
- 7) He Links Us with **Eternity** By Linking Us with **Himself**. – vs. 17-18

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1. We are richer than we think, we are more blessed than we know, and we have more than we realize.
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