

## Are you searching for God?

### Introduction

I have heard some people say, "I have been searching for God and I could not find him. Show me your God, then I believe." if you are one of them, here are few reasons why some people will never find God.

1. They don't **believe** in a Creator God and therefore, they neither **seek Him** earnestly nor find him.

- *Psalm 19:1, "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands."*

If only we could spend some unhurried time individually to watch the creations the Sun, Moon and the Stars and the galaxies beyond, and look at the trees, plants and flowers and admire their beauty, and ask your self, "Is there a God who created all these?" You may come home with a little faith in a creator God who marvelously created them. That little faith could motivate you to seek Him earnestly.

- Hebrews 11:6, "*And without faith it is impossible to please God, **because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.***"

2. Many people want to see God to believe that He exists. They say, "seeing is believing". They think that God is someone like a created being with a bodily form that they could see with their eyes and touch with their hands, speak to and hear with their ears. But God is not a created being. **He is a Spirit**. He has to be everywhere to take care of His

creations. He cannot be bound to one place at a time.

- John 4:24, "*God is Spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.*"
- Romans 1:20, "*For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.*"

3. Some people assume that if they were to trust God, they may have to live in a monastery and will not be possible to enjoy the worldly pleasures. Some wealthy and healthy people think that the gods are for people who are poor, sick and helpless to use Him as a crutch to cling on. They are too proud to become humble enough to seek God.

- Luke 18:18-25, v.25, "*Indeed, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.*"

Like the Rich Ruler they love their money more than their own lives.

- Matthew 18: 3-4, "*I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of God. Therefore, whoever **humbles** himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of God.*"

4. Many people are confused and find no time to look for that One God who can satisfy all their needs from among the thousands of gods. They do not know how to identify the True God from the many man made gods.

- Romans 1:21-25, "*Although they knew God, they neither glorified Him as God nor gives thanks to Him, but their*

*thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. All though they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles. Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. They exchanged the truth of God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things **rather than the Creator** –who is forever praised."*

5. Some people may be living a sinful life, like living in immorality, etc., that they may not want to give up in order to trust God and obey Him.

- John 3:19-21, "*This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light, for fear that his deeds will be exposed. But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God.*"

6. Some people search for God with wrong motives, such as for healing of incurable diseases, for touching lottery tickets, to get a woman for their choice to get married, to escape from punishment from committing crimes of some sort. Some even want a god to curse and inflict punishment on their enemies so that get some comfort and so on. They are not earnestly seeking the God and eternal life but they are looking for an escape from something

difficult situations. But God searches the motives of our hearts.

- Jeremiah 29:13-14 says, "You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord.
- In 1 Chronicles 28:9-10 King David addressed son Solomon saying, "And you my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve him with hearted devotion and with a willing mind, for **the Lord searches every heart and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek him he will be found by you;** but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever."

Do you fit into any one of these categories? Do you earnestly want to know God personally? There is good news for you. The following explains how you can.

The Holy Bible (God's Word) says that Jesus Christ and God are one person.

- John 1:1-5, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made. In him was the light, and that light was the light of men."  
v.14, The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."
- Colossians 1:15, "He is the image of the invisible God, the first born of all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether

thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the first born from among the dead, so that in every thing he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross."

- John 14:9 Jesus said, "If you have seen me you have seen the Father."
- John 10:30 Jesus said, "I and my Father are One."

Therefore if you receive Jesus Christ you can know God.

If you are sincerely seeking God now, here is how you can receive Jesus Christ.