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Many people believe that God exists, but they do not really know him. What does it mean to know Jehovah, and what can we learn from Moses and King David about how to build a strong relationship with Him? This article will answer those questions.

(Psalm 9:10) Those knowing your name will trust in you; You will never abandon those seeking you, O Jehovah.

Paragraph 5

(Hebrews 11:24) By faith Moses, when grown up, refused to be called the son of Phar'aoh's daughter,

(Proverbs 3:5) Trust in Jehovah with all your heart, And do not rely on your own understanding.

Paragraph 7

(Exodus 4:10-16) Moses now said to Jehovah: "Pardon me, Jehovah, but I have never been a fluent speaker, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant, for I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." 11 Jehovah said to him: "Who made a mouth for man, or who makes them speechless, deaf, clear-sighted, or blind? Is it not I, Jehovah? 12 So go now, and I will be with you as you speak, and I will teach you what you should say." 13 But he said: "Pardon me, Jehovah, please send anyone whom you want to send." 14 Then Jehovah's anger blazed against Moses, and he said: "What about your brother Aaron the Levite? I know that he can speak very well. And he is now on his way here to meet you. When he sees you, his heart will rejoice. 15 So you must speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with you and him as you speak, and I will teach you men what to do. 16 He will speak for you to the people, and he will be your spokesman, and you will serve as God to him.

(Exodus 14:26-31) Then Jehovah said to Moses: "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may come back over the Egyptians, their war chariots, and their cavalrymen." 27 Moses at once stretched out his hand over the sea, and as morning approached, the sea returned to its normal condition. As the Egyptians fled from it, Jehovah shook the Egyptians off into the midst of the sea. 28 The returning waters covered the war chariots and the cavalrymen and all of Phar'aoh's army who had gone into the sea after them. Not so much as one among them was allowed to survive. 29 But the Israelites walked on dry ground in the midst of the seabed, and the waters formed a wall on their right hand and on their left. 30 Thus Jehovah saved Israel on that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel also saw the great power that Jehovah wielded against the Egyptians, and the people began to fear Jehovah and to put faith in Jehovah and in his servant Moses.

(Psalm 136:15) He shook off Phar'aoh and his army into the Red Sea, For his loyal love endures forever.

Paragraph 8

(Psalm 78:40-43) How often they rebelled against him in the wilderness And made him feel hurt in the desert! 41 Again and again they put God to the test, And they grieved the Holy One of Israel. 42 They did not remember his power, The day that he rescued them from the adversary, 43 How he displayed his signs in Egypt And his miracles in the region of Zo'an,

(Exodus 32:9-14) Jehovah went on to say to Moses: "I have seen that this is an obstinate people. 10 So now let me be, and I will exterminate them in my burning anger, and let me make a great nation from you instead." 11 Then Moses appealed to Jehovah his God and said: "Why, O Jehovah, should you turn your burning anger against your people after bringing them out of the land of Egypt with great

power and with a mighty hand? 12 Why should the Egyptians say, 'He had evil intentions when he led them out. He wanted to kill them in the mountains and exterminate them from the surface of the earth'? Turn from your burning anger and reconsider your decision to bring this calamity on your people. 13 Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, to whom you swore by yourself and said: 'I will multiply your offspring like the stars of the heavens, and I will give all this land that I have designated to your offspring, so that they may take it as a permanent possession." 14 So Jehovah began to reconsider the calamity that he had spoken of bringing on his people.

Paragraph 9

(Hebrews 11:27) By faith he left Egypt, but not fearing the anger of the king, for he continued steadfast as seeing the One who is invisible.

(Exodus 33:11) Jehovah spoke to Moses faceto-face, just as one man would speak to another man. When he returned to the camp, Joshua the son of Nun, his minister and attendant, would not depart from the tent.

Paragraph 10

(1 Timothy 2:3, 4) This is fine and acceptable in the sight of our Savior, God, 4 whose will is that all sorts of people should be saved and come to an accurate knowledge of truth.

Paragraph 11

(John 6:44) No man can come to me unless the Father, who sent me, draws him, and I will resurrect him on the last day.

(Acts 13:48) When those of the nations heard this, they began to rejoice and to glorify the word of Jehovah, and all those who were rightly disposed for everlasting life became believers.

(Colossians 3:9, 10) Do not lie to one another. Strip off the old personality with its practices, 10 and clothe yourselves with the new personality, which through accurate knowledge is being made new according to the image of the One who created it.

(Romans 10:13-15) For "everyone who calls on the name of Jehovah will be saved." 14 However, how will they call on him if they have not put faith in him? How, in turn, will they put faith in him about whom they have not heard? How, in turn, will they hear without someone to preach? 15 How, in turn, will they preach unless they have been sent out? Just as it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who declare good news of good things!"

Paragraph 12

(Exodus 33:13) Please, if I have found favor in your eyes, make me know your ways, so that I may know you and continue to find favor in your eyes. Consider, too, that this nation is your people."

Paragraph 14

(Ephesians 6:18) while with every form of prayer and supplication you carry on prayer on every occasion in spirit. And to that end stay awake, constantly making supplication in behalf of all the holy ones.

Paragraph 15

(Acts 13:22) After removing him, he raised up for them David as king, about whom he bore witness and said: 'I have found David the son of Jes'se a man agreeable to my heart; he will do all the things I desire.'

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Paragraph 16

(Psalm 19:1, 2) The heavens are declaring the glory of God; The skies above proclaim the work of his hands. 2 Day after day their speech bubbles forth, And night after night they reveal knowledge.

(Psalm 139:14) I praise you because in an aweinspiring way I am wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, I know this very well.

(Psalm 139:6) Such knowledge is beyond my comprehension. It is too high for me to reach.

Paragraph 17

(Romans 1:20) For his invisible qualities are clearly seen from the world's creation onward, because they are perceived by the things made, even his eternal power and Godship, so that they are inexcusable.

Paragraph 18

(1 Samuel 17:37) Then David added: "Jehovah, who rescued me from the claws of the lion and the bear, he is the one who will rescue me from the hand of this Phi·lis'tine." At this Saul said to David: "Go, and may Jehovah be with you."

(Psalm 18:superscription-50) To the director. By Jehovah's servant David, who addressed the words of this song to Jehovah in the day that Jehovah rescued him from the hand of all his enemies and from the hand of Saul. He said: 18 I have affection for you, O Jehovah, my strength. 2 Jehovah is my crag and my stronghold and the One who rescues me. My God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, My shield and my horn of salvation, my secure refuge. 3 I call on Jehovah, who is worthy of praise, And I will be saved from my enemies. 4 The ropes of death encircled me; Flash floods of worthless men terrified me. 5 The ropes of the Grave surrounded me: The snares of death confronted me. 6 In my distress I called on Jehovah, To my God I kept crying for help. From his temple he heard my voice, And

my cry to him for help reached his ears. 7 Then the earth began to shake and rock; The foundations of the mountains trembled And shook back and forth because he had been angered. 8 Smoke ascended from his nostrils, And a consuming fire came from his mouth; Glowing coals blazed from him. 9 He made the heavens bend as he descended, And thick gloom was beneath his feet. 10 He rode on a cherub and came flying. He swooped down on the wings of a spirit. 11 He then covered himself in darkness, All around him as a shelter, Dark waters and thick clouds. 12 From the brightness before him Hail and fiery coals broke through the clouds. 13 Then Jehovah began to thunder in the heavens: The Most High made his voice heard With hailstones and fiery coals. 14 He shot his arrows and scattered them; He hurled his lightning and threw them into confusion. 15 The streambeds became visible; The foundations of the land were exposed by your rebuke, O Jehovah, By the blast of the breath from your nostrils. 16 He reached down from on high; He took hold of me and pulled me from deep waters. 17 He rescued me from my strong enemy, From those hating me, who were stronger than I was. 18 They confronted me on the day of my disaster, But Jehovah was my support. 19 He brought me out into a place of safety: He rescued me because he was pleased with me. 20 Jehovah rewards me according to my righteousness; He repays me according to the innocence of my hands. 21 For I have kept the ways of Jehovah, And I have not wickedly abandoned my God. 22 All his judgments are before me; I will not disregard his statutes. 23 I will remain blameless before him, And I will keep myself from error. 24 May Jehovah repay me according to my righteousness. According to the innocence of my hands before him. 25 With someone loyal you act in loyalty; With the blameless man you deal blamelessly; 26 With the pure you show yourself pure, But with the crooked you show yourself shrewd. 27 For you save those who are lowly But you abase the haughty. 28 For it is you who light my lamp, O

Jehovah, My God who lights up my darkness. 29 With your help I can charge against a marauder band; By God's power I can scale a wall. 30 The way of the true God is perfect: The saying of Jehovah is refined. He is a shield to all those taking refuge in him. 31 For who is a God besides Jehovah? And who is a rock except our God? 32 The true God is the one who clothes me with strength, And he will make my way perfect. 33 He makes my feet like those of a deer; He makes me stand on high places. 34 He trains my hands for warfare; My arms can bend a bow of copper. 35 You give me your shield of salvation, Your right hand supports me, And your humility makes me great. 36 You widen the path for my footsteps; My feet will not slip. 37 l will pursue my enemies and overtake them; I will not return until they are wiped out. 38 I will crush them so that they cannot rise up; They will fall under my feet. 39 You will equip me with strength for the battle; You will make my foes collapse under me. 40 You will make my enemies retreat from me, And I will put an end to those who hate me. 41 They cry for help, but there is no one to save them; They even cry to Jehovah, but he does not answer them. 42 I will pound them as fine as dust in the wind; I will throw them out like mud in the streets. 43 You will rescue me from the faultfinding of the people. You will appoint me the head of nations. A people whom I have not known will serve me. 44 At a mere report they will obey me; Foreigners will come cringing before me. 45 Foreigners will lose courage; They will come trembling from their strongholds. 46 Jehovah is alive! Praised be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted. 47 The true God executes vengeance for me; He subdues the peoples under me. 48 He rescues me from my angry enemies; You lift me high above those who attack me; You save me from the man of violence. 49 That is why I will glorify you among the nations, O Jehovah, And to your name I will sing praises. 50 He performs great acts of salvation for his king; He displays loyal love to

his anointed one, To David and his offspring forever.

(Psalm 138:6) Though Jehovah is high, he takes note of the humble, But the haughty he knows only from a distance.

Paragraph 20

(Genesis 1:26) Then God said: "Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have in subjection the fish of the sea and the flying creatures of the heavens and the domestic animals and all the earth and every creeping animal that is moving on the earth."

- (2 Samuel 11:1-4) At the start of the year, at the time when kings go on campaigns. David sent Jo'ab and his servants and the entire army of Israel to bring the Am'mon-ites to ruin, and they besieged Rab'bah, while David stayed in Jerusalem. 2 One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the rooftop of the king's house. From the rooftop he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful. 3 David sent someone to inquire about the woman, and he reported: "Is this not Bath-she'ba the daughter of E·li'am and the wife of U·ri'ah the Hit'tite?" 4 Then David sent messengers to bring her. So she came in to him, and he lay down with her. (This happened while she was herself from her uncleanness.) purifying Afterward, she returned to her house.
- (2 Samuel 11:15) He wrote in the letter: "Put U·ri'ah in the front lines where the fighting is fiercest. Then retreat from behind him, so that he will be struck down and die."
- (1 Kings 15:11) A'sa did what was right in the eyes of Jehovah, like David his forefather.
- (2 Kings 14:1-3) In the second year of Je·ho'ash the son of Je·ho'a·haz the king of Israel, Am·a·zi'ah the son of King Je·ho'ash of Judah became king. 2 He was 25 years old when he became king, and he reigned for 29 years in

Jerusalem. His mother's name was Je·ho·ad'din of Jerusalem. 3 He continued to do what was right in Jehovah's eyes, but not like David his forefather. He did everything as Je·ho'ash his father had done.

Paragraph 21

(Ephesians 4:24) and should put on the new personality that was created according to God's will in true righteousness and loyalty.

(Ephesians 5:1) Therefore, become imitators of God, as beloved children,

Paragraph 23

(Ecclesiastes 3:11) He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has even put eternity in their heart; yet mankind will never find out the work that the true God has made from start to finish.

(James 4:8) Draw close to God, and he will draw close to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you indecisive ones.