



“And you Solomon, my son, know the God of your fathers, and serve Him with a perfect heart, and with a willing mind; for the LORD searches all hearts, and understands all the imaginations of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever.” 1 Chronicles 28:9

To possess intimate knowledge of someone, to know that person in a real and tangible way is wholly different from only having heard of them from someone else. Citizens of a country surely may know who their president or prime minister is, but very few actually have a close and meaningful relationship with that leader. Knowing the God of your father is to make Him your God. To walk with Him yourself is to move from having an historical understanding of Him to possessing a personal relationship with Him. An historical God and a personal Saviour are two separate things, and the end thereof is vastly different. To know of Him will never bring forgiveness of sin nor will that knowledge bring with it eternal life. “The demons believe and tremble.” (James 2:19) But knowing Him personally brings life eternal and every benefit of the Father’s gracious and good heart. “And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ Who, You have sent.” (John 17:3)

Knowledge of this type is knowledge revealed but also knowledge experienced! And how can we serve the LORD with a perfect heart unless we know Him personally!?

“Lord, today we ask to know You – really know You. May we not only understand You in an historical sense, but may we know You as a personal God and Saviour, through Jesus Christ, our Lord! Amen!”