

inflate • Breathe the Son 2

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Week 3 of 8

GOD IS MY AIR: In every aspect of my life, God comes first. His Word is my only authority. His Son is my only Salvation. His glory is my greatest desire. I give him the first of my every opportunity.

ILL: I CAN NEVER READ IN MY DREAMS • PRAY • SELL THE SERIES

Jesus: *I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*

John 10:10

REVIEW

1. If you want the breath of God in your life, you need the Word of God in your heart (2 Timothy 3:16-17).
2. If you want to know the Word, you need to know Jesus (Hebrews 1:1-4).
BECAUSE JESUS IS THE WORD • BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF WHAT WE'LL LEARN TODAY

THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL CLAIM OF CHRISTIANITY

You cannot **know God** at all until your **sin** is **cleansed** through Jesus.

CLIP FROM THE MATRIX

The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not preach ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:4-6

TODAY: A JOURNEY THROUGH ONE OF THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL CONCEPTS OF CHRISTIANITY

1. Romans 1:19-25 (p. 780)

- God made the **world** so we would **know** him.
- We **rejected** God for our own **ideas**.
ILL: TELL ME ALL YOUR THOUGHTS ON GOD (Dishwalla)
ILL: Sitting in the Java Roaster talking to a guy who had "conglomerate" faith.
ILL: BLIND MEN DESCRIBING AN ELEPHANT -- NOT "ALL RIGHT" BUT ALL WRONG!
- In wrath, God **released** his **grip**.

IN THIS STATE, THERE IS NO KNOWLEDGE OF GOD

BAD INTERPRETATIONS OF THE BIBLE // FALSE THOUGHTS ABOUT JESUS!

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2. Romans 3:21-26

- Jesus' death **satisfies** God's **wrath**.
- Jesus' death **removes sin**.
- Faith in his blood **fills us** with righteousness!

BEFORE WE GO FURTHER: SELF-EVAL • IS YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST'S SACRIFICE FOR YOU?

As long as our **faith** is in Christ's **cross**,
sin is **not a problem** for us.

GP: GUILT? SHAME? • BUT LEST WE GO OFF THE DEEP END, I HAVE TO SHOW YOU ONE MORE THING

3. Romans 6:1-14

- **REALITY:** Our baptism links us **into Christ**.
- **ACTION:** We daily live **to God** in Christ.

EVERY DIVIDING WALL OF HOSTILITY IS BROKEN DOWN • IN CHRIST A LINK TO GOD IS ESTABLISHED

To have the breath of God in my life,
I must be living **in Christ**.

Take it Home

- Have your sins been cleansed?
- Have you been linked into Christ?
- Are you living "to God"?

IN CHRIST, YOUR SIN IS CLEANSED
IN CHRIST, YOU ARE FILLED WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS
IN CHRIST, YOU ARE ALIVE TO GOD
IN CHRIST, YOU HAVE ALL THE LIGHT YOU NEED