



An evaluation & expression of our purpose is key in the health of any group. Why are we here? What are we trying to accomplish?

Today and next Sunday we consider a two-fold purpose:

1. Full E _____ of Eternal Life John 17:3

1) The E _____ – John’s record

“eternal life” – not merely a duration, not merely a future possession, but also a quality of present possession.

What is *eternal life*?to k _____ God.

“eternal life” – not a destiny but a present relationship.

Do YOU *know* God?

2) The I _____ – Paul’s life testimony (Philippians 3)

Paul counted all things in his life as a loss for the treasure of knowing God! (3:7-8) What did it mean to Paul to *know God*?

⇒ **To G _____ Jesus – Justification v. 8b-9**

How do I gain Jesus in my life?

(1) It will cost you everything – v. 8

(2) It will require that you acknowledge your inability – v. 9a

(3) It will require that you trust Jesus alone – v. 9b

⇒ **To K _____ Jesus... – Sanctification v. 10-11**

(1) Personally – “to know him”

(2) Powerfully – “to know...the power of His resurrection”

(3) Painfully – “to know...the fellowship of His suffering”

Our purpose is to bring people into a full experience of eternal life – to *know God*! Do YOU know God? What difference has He made in your life this week? How are you getting to know Him – learning about Him in church? Communicating with Him in prayer? Listening to Him through your Bible? Are you fully experiencing eternal life?

