

Three Levels of Knowing God

John 9



LEVEL 1: "A man called Jesus..."

John 9:11 (1)

- Know about His life as a story like any other story
- No life of worship
- Do not feel a need for Him
- Not believing that He can make a difference

LEVEL 1: "A man called Jesus..."

John 9:11 (2)

- No feeling of His presence
- No experience of joy or peace
- Inability to recognize the time when He visits
- No preparation for the day of His Coming
- No love for Him or His kingdom

LEVEL 2: "He is a prophet"

John 9:17 (1)

- Incomplete or distorted knowledge about Him
- He is the miracle doer
- Relationship is based on what He can provide for me
- Easily stumbling at the time of tribulation
- No will to carry the cross

LEVEL 2: "He is a prophet"

John 9:17 (2)

- Worship with no spirit
- No change in life
- No experience of peace or joy

LEVEL 3: "Do you believe in the Son of God?" John 9:35 ⁽¹⁾

- Know Him through personal experience
- The belief is manifested in his deeds
- Welcoming sacrifices for the sake of His name
- Worship in the spirit with joy
- Enjoying the abundant life granted to us in His name

LEVEL 3: "Do you believe in the Son of God?" John 9:35 (2)

- Recognize His work in life and understand its wisdom
- Love of God and men is clearly presented
- A life of repentance is lived