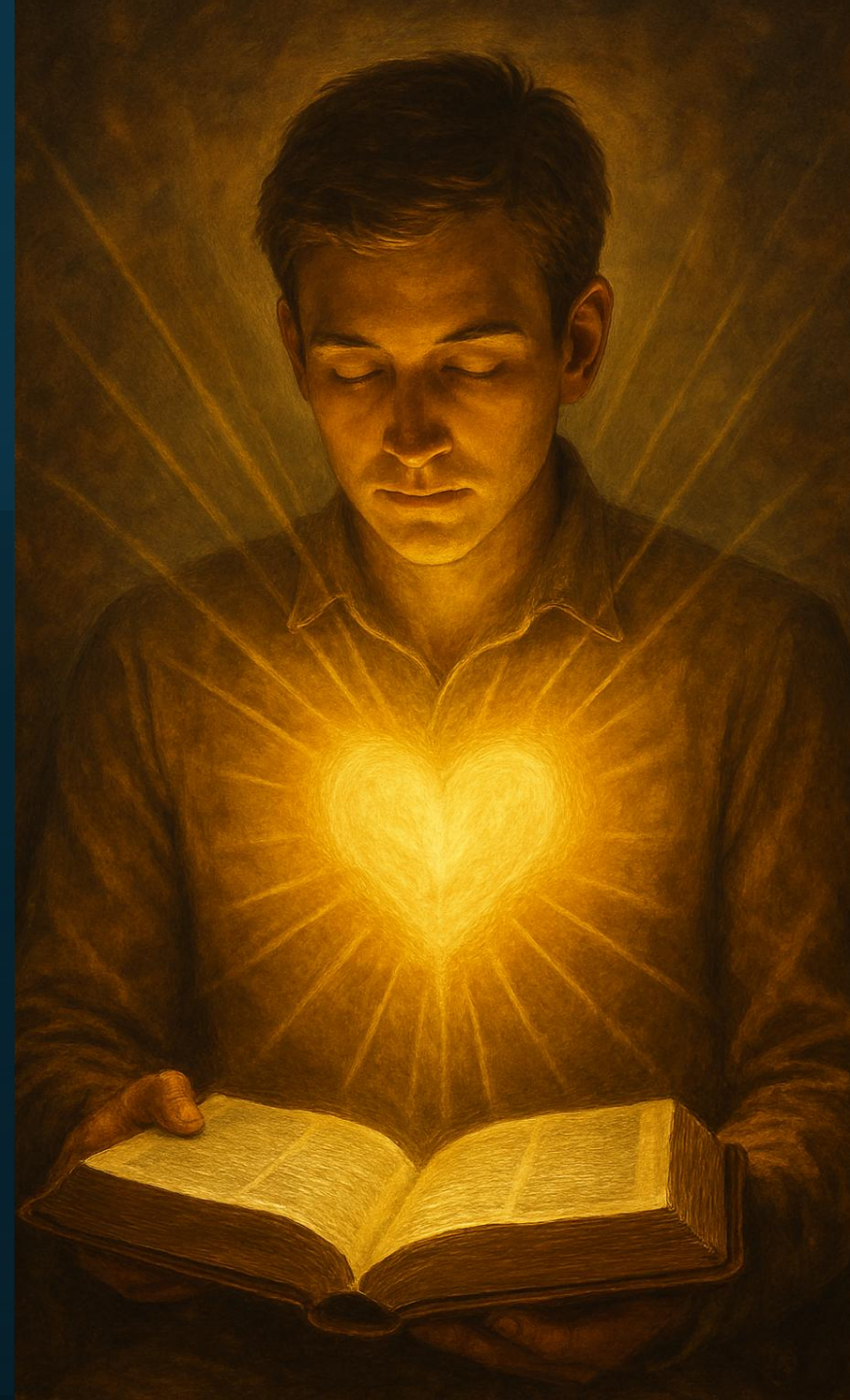


“IF THEY DO NOT HEAR MOSES AND
THE PROPHETS, NEITHER WILL THEY
BE PERSUADED THOUGH ONE RISE
FROM THE DEAD”

Luke 19: 31



THE IMPORTANCE OF
THE SCRIPTURE IN
KNOWING GOD AND
OURSELVES



I. KNOWING GOD ⁽¹⁾

1. Reveals God's Character:

- His holiness, love, mercy, justice, and faithfulness.
- “The LORD is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy” *Psalm 103:8*



I. KNOWING GOD (2)

2. Shows God's will and purpose:
 - His plan of creation, specific will for humanity, and His economy of salvation, helping us to align our lives with His divine design.
 - “For this is the will of God, your sanctification” *1 Thessalonians 4:3*



I. KNOWING GOD (3)

3. Reveals God's heart through the Lord Jesus:
- The Incarnate Son of God offered us the opportunity to know God on personal level and communicate with Him even with our limitation.
 - “He who has seen Me has seen the Father” *John 14:9*



I. KNOWING GOD (4)

4. Teaches God's promises and faithfulness:
- The Bible records God's promises and their fulfillment, growing our trust in His reliability and care.
 - “Even to your old age, I *am* He,
And even to gray hairs I will carry you!
I have made, and I will bear;
Even I will carry and will deliver you.”

Isaiah 46:4

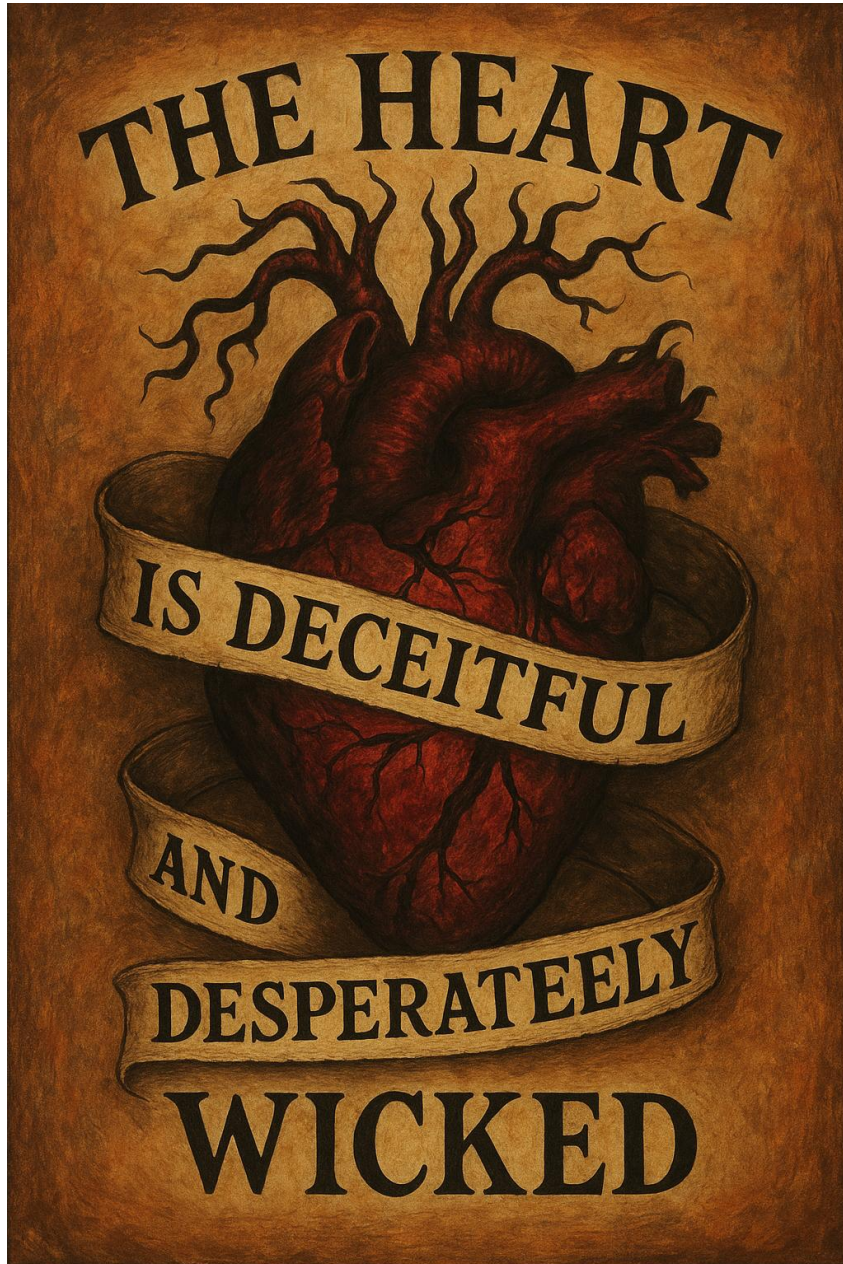




I. KNOWING GOD ⁽⁵⁾

5. Leads us to know the way back to Heaven:
- The word of God guides our path to the way of salvation and how to be united with Him through His Son.
 - “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God”

John 1:12



II. KNOWING OURSELVES ⁽¹⁾

1. Reveals the human heart:
 - The Bible is a mirror that exposes our motives, struggles, and true self.
 - “The heart is deceitful above all *things*, and desperately wicked” Jeremiah 17:9

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II. KNOWING OURSELVES ⁽²⁾

2. Shows our identity in Christ:

- We are God's image, beloved children of God, saved through His blood, called to be ambassadors, and to receive an eternal inheritance through Christ.
- “But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light”

1 Peter 2:9



II. KNOWING OURSELVES ⁽³⁾

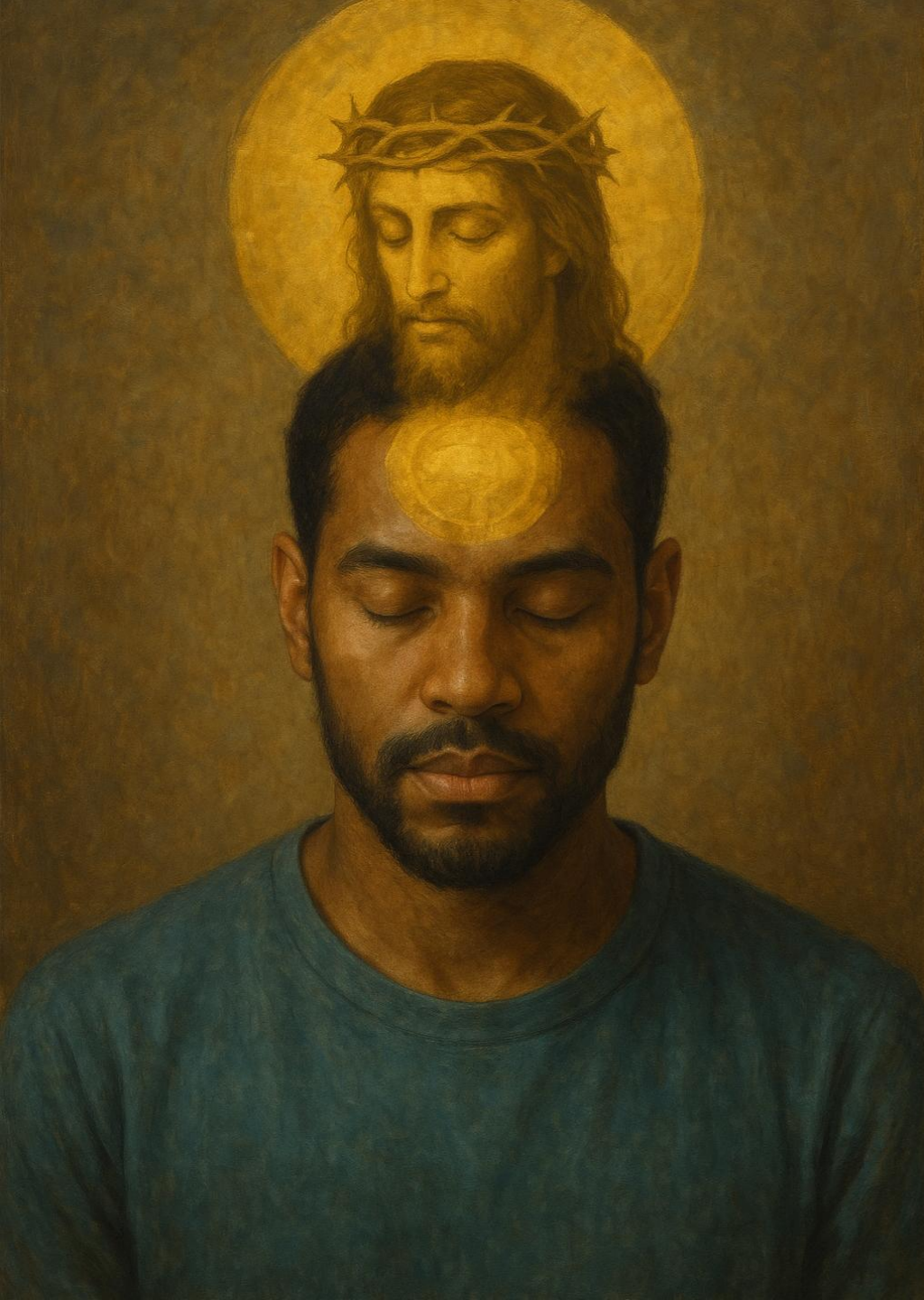
3. Confronts sin and our need for repentance:

- The Scripture reveal our sinfulness, how we deceive our selves, and our need to repent and be forgiven.
- “And when you offer the blind as a sacrifice, Is it not evil?” *Malachi 1: 8*



II. KNOWING OURSELVES ⁽⁴⁾

4. Provides wisdom for Daily life:
 - The Bible gives timeless guidance on relationships, work, emotions, and how we ought to make our decisions and set our priorities –helping us to navigate life wisely.
 - “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him” *James 1:5*



II. KNOWING OURSELVES ⁽⁵⁾

5. Transforms us from within:
- Regular reading renews our minds to be like that of Christ.
 - “But we have the mind of Christ”

1 Cor. 2:16