

SERMON NOTES

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MESSAGE: KNOWING CHRIST IN THREE DIMENSIONS

Key Scripture: *“That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.”* — **Philippians 3:10**

1. TO KNOW HIM (Personal Relationship)

- **Psalm 42:1-2** – A deep thirst for God
- **Psalm 63:1** – Earnest seeking and longing for His presence

2. TO KNOW THE POWER OF HIS RESURRECTION (Spiritual Power)

- **Ephesians 1:19-20** – The same power that raised Christ is at work in believers
- Resurrection power is:
 - Life-giving power (new birth)
 - Victory over sin and death
 - Strength for daily living

3. TO KNOW THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SUFFERINGS (Spiritual Identification)

- **2 Corinthians 11:24-27** – Paul’s sufferings for Christ
- **Matthew 16:24** – Deny thyself, take up your cross
- **2 Corinthians 4:10** – always carrying around in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the [resurrection] life of Jesus also may be shown in our body.
- **1 Corinthians 15:31** – “I die daily” [I face death and die to self]

4. PROPER BALANCE (Living the Full Experience)

- **Romans 8:28** – God works all things for good
- **2 Corinthians 4:7** – Treasure in earthen vessels
- **Philippians 3:11** – Hope of resurrection
- **Galatians 2:20** – Crucified with Christ, yet living by faith
- The Christian life holds both power and suffering:
 - Not just resurrection → without the cross
 - Not just suffering → without hope
- True maturity is found in balance:
 - Power with humility
 - Suffering with purpose
 - Death with resurrection hope