

Our God Desires A Personal Relationship With Us

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God, in all His majesty and glory desires to have a personal relationship with His creation. God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit also have a **personal relationship with each other.** Their relationship is based on infinite love and respect for one another as divine persons.

The “truth” of God is understood through REASON.

God is Love.

Christians believe that God is Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. This corresponds to God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Revealed truth originates in God’s perfect love and wisdom.

God dwells **with** His people.

Revelation and faith are partners.

Christians believe in one God.

Christians believe in one God that consists of three divine Persons.

God is **PERSONAL**. He is not an impersonal force or power.

God is eternal, all-powerful, all knowing, all present, and self-existing.

God is pure spirit. The Son of God is 100% man and 100% God.

The clearest image of God is through His Son – Jesus. Jesus showed man the “face” of God through His teaching, healing, forgiving, dying, and reconciling creation with His Father.

God is referred to as “He.” This is because of the male principle of being the **source** of the creation – the **seed**. God brings creation into existence.

God is not referred to as “She” although maternal imagery is used in certain books of the Bible (ex. Isaiah 49: 15; 66: 13). This imagery is used to emphasize the love that God has for His creation – in the same way a human mother would care and love her child.