

Podcast Episode Notes

Season 1 Episode 9 The Character of God

Misrepresented. Isn't that how many of us feel? Isn't that how God must feel right now? Both Christians and non-Christians quote the Bible to justify their beliefs and actions. But do we really know God? Do we take time to study His character, not just the things He did? In this episode, learn about how the image of God you carry around in your heart and mind affects the way you live your daily life. Our reactions to what happens in life reveal what we really believe about God.

We often focus on what God or Jesus did and trace that back to His character but we should focus on His character first. Why? Because God doesn't do things outside of who He is. We must get to know what He is really like or we will always flounder.

Jeremiah 9:23-24 "Thus says the Lord: 'Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord who practices steadfast love, justice and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the Lord."

When Moses asked God to show His glory, God revealed His character:

Exodus 33-34 – "The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, 'The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin...'"

Quotes to reflect on:

The image of God you carry around in your heart and mind affects the way you live in your daily life!

What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us. – A.W. Tozer

My reactions to things in life reveal what I believe about God. For example, if we react with fear, it shows that we don't really trust Him.

We need to see God through the lens of Scripture; otherwise, we default to seeing God the way we view our authority figures. Parents (Dads and Moms), teachers, coaches and pastors are our authority figures and if there's emotional baggage related to them, our view of God can get skewed. God is not a big one of us! We need to see God for who he really is.

Psalm 50:21 – "...you thought I was one like yourself."

For more on this subject, check out Chapters 1 & 3 in *A Discipleship Journey*, Lionshare's primary tool for discipleship [here](#). You will also find 52 names, titles and attributes of God in the back of the book. Consider [subscribing](#) to Dave's Devotionals which provide you with 365 daily video devotions, 2 minutes each.

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