LESSON 5 GOD THE FATHER

- 1. The word "THEOS" is Greek and means God.
- 2. THEOLOGY is the study of GOD.
- 3. God is ETERNAL! He WAS and IS and ALWAYS WILL BE!
- 4. <u>ETERNAL</u> means that God has no <u>BEGINNING</u> or <u>ENDING</u>. See: Genesis 1:1
- 5. God is <u>SELF-EXISTENT</u> which means that He <u>CAUSED</u> us to be, but nothing <u>CAUSED</u> Him to be.
- 6. God the Father is the <u>CREATOR</u> of man but only the <u>FATHER</u> of those who have trusted Christ. See: John 1:12 and Galatians 4:6&7.
- 7. The names of God have <u>MEANING</u> and are given to reveal His <u>CHARACTER</u>. (What He is like) i.e.:

Elohim - plural noun revealing the trinity. See: Genesis 1:1

El - singular form of Elohim. Quite often used in Bible names:

Beth - el = "House of God" Genesis 12:8

Dani - el = "God is my judge" Daniel 1:6

El - ijah = "God is Jehovah" 1 Kings 17:1

Immanu - el = "God is with us" Isaiah 7:14

- 8. Whenever "EL" is used at the beginning or end of a name it means GOD.
- 9. JEHOVAH is the personal name of God and it means "<u>REDEEMER</u>" and it is used in connection with <u>REDEMPTION</u> and/or <u>DELIVERANCE</u> by God. See: Exodus 3:13&14 and Exodus 20:2.
- 10. Another name for God is ADONAI which means MASTER or LORD. See: Genesis 15:2
- 11. God also has compound or DOUBLE names which help reveal what He is like. i.e.:

a.	El Shaddai	ALMIGHTY God	Genesis 17:1
b.	El Olam	EVERLASTING God	Genesis 21:33
c.	Jehovah Elohim	<u>LORD</u> God	Exodus 34:6
d.	Jehovah Jireh	The Lord will PROVIDE	Genesis 22:14
e.	Jehovah Shalom	The Lord our <u>PEACE</u>	Judges 6:24
f.	Jehovah Shammah	The Lord is <u>THERE</u>	Ezekiel 48:35

- 12. Jehovah is revealed in the names of others whenever you find a name ending in <u>IAH</u>. i.e.:
 - a. Isaiah The SALVATION of Jehovah
 - b. Jeremiah Whom Jehovah has APPOINTED

- c. Uzziah The MIGHT of Jehovah
- d. Zechariah Whom Jehovah REMEMBERS

What is God like?

- 13. God is a SPIRIT. John 4:24
- 14. God is INVISIBLE. Colossians 1:15; John 1:18
- 15. God is LIGHT. 1 John 1:5; John 8:12 and Revelation 21:23
- 16. God is <u>LOVE</u>. 1 John 4:8; John 3:16; Hebrews 12:6; Revelation 3:19; 1 John 4:7-21 and 1 John 5:1-3
- 17. God is a PERSON because:
 - a. He GRIEVES Genesis 6:6
 - b. He HATES Proverbs 6:16-19
 - c. He PROVIDES Matthew 7:7-11
 - d. He <u>CARES</u> 1 Peter 5:6&7
- 18. God has a <u>PERSONALITY</u> and we are made in His <u>IMAGE</u> and <u>LIKENESS</u>.
- 19. What are the ATTRIBUTES of God?
- 20. He is OMNIPOTENT which means all POWERFUL. Revelation 19:6
- 21. God has power over MEN and NATIONS. Daniel 4:17; 1 Kings 11:11; Daniel 4:25 & 32; 2 Timothy 2:13 and Matthew 19:26.
- 22. God has power over NATURE. Job 28:5, 6 & 25; Psalm 33:6-9
- 23. God has power over the ANGELS. Psalm 103:20; Psalm 91:11; & Hebrews 1:14
- 24. God has power over SATAN and DEATH. Job 1:12, 2:6; Romans 16:20; Revelation 20:14
- 25. God is OMNISCIENT which means all KNOWING. Job 37:16
 - a. He knows about NATURE. Isaiah 40:28; Psalm 147:4 and Matthew 10:29
 - b. He knows all about <u>MAN</u>. Matthew 10:30; Psalm 139:2&3; Psalm 94:11; Hebrews 4:13 and 1 John 3:20
- 26. God is <u>OMNIPRESENT</u> which means He is everywhere <u>AT ALL TIMES</u>. Jeremiah 23:24; Psalm 139:7-12

- 27. God is <u>IMMUTABLE</u>, He never <u>CHANGES</u>, He is always <u>GOD</u>. Romans 11:29; Malachi 3:6; James 1:17; and Hebrews 6:17
- 28. To know God the Father we must first of all know the \underline{SON} . John 8:18&19; John 8:41-47
- 29. When we accept the Son, Jesus Christ, as our Redeemer, we experience the <u>NEW BIRTH</u>. Then and only then is God our <u>FATHER</u>.
- 30. The world is divided into two identifiable groups. The unsaved are identified with <u>ADAM</u>, the believers are identified with <u>CHRIST</u>. 1 Corinthians 15:22

CONCLUSION

To call God, Father, we must accept His plan of redemption which means we are bought with a price. Jesus paid the price on Calvary and it is our privilege to say He is our Father and we are His children.