

Question: Exactly what does God want from me?

Answer: Once there was a man who was in a desperate state after he had “done” everything he could “think” to do in order to “*please God*,” but he still felt as though he had failed, and did not know how or what else to do. He then said to God, “***What in hell do you want from me?***” -- because hell is literally where he was. This was actually the question that the God he was so desperately trying to find and please (by way of his own ideas and good works) was waiting for him to ask.

The answer is a very simple one. ***You please God when you “worship God in Spirit and in Truth.”*** The word “worship” does not mean for one to engage in a bunch of religious rituals or observances of times and days, or to bow down to a god he does not know. As long as one is engaged in these types of activities and “worship,” he is carnal, double-minded, and self deceived. He believes he can “find” and “please” God by following man’s doctrines and traditions, and by doing according to ***his own ideas of where and what God is, and what He wants him to do.*** The word “worship” means to acknowledge God in all things, and as the “Cause” of all things.

God does not want sacrifices and offerings of any kind from mankind. What does a man have that he did not receive from God anyway? ***God wants a body!*** God wants man to know that ***in order for him to present to God an acceptable sacrifice and offering, it must be what God desires of him and has asked of him. God said, “Present your body (not dead flesh and carnal works) a living sacrifice that is holy and acceptable unto Him.”*** God is Spirit without form, therefore God’s desire is that He may have a house, a holy bodily form in which to dwell eternally, and that man (the form) would have a *Conscious, Intelligent Mind* by which to have fellowship with God, whether he is in or out of his bodily temple.

The will of God is that *He -- Who is Spirit and Who is Life without form --* may live and express Himself *in a living, bodily form*, and that not one of His creations and Life forms should perish. God wants *true worship*, not rituals, from mankind. True worship is, as I have already said, very simple -- so that a little child can understand and do it. The only way any man will ever “*worship God*” and have communion and fellowship with Him is to acknowledge that *God is Spirit*, and that Truth and Life can only be known and experienced *in the spirit of one’s mind* when he will acknowledge that God is Mind, and Mind is Spirit, wherein dwells all Truth and Life. He who will discover this Truth will have desire to truly know God, and because of his desire to know and experience Life continually in a bodily form of living Truth, he will begin to search for Truth and to know Wisdom. He will seek to know and have fellowship with the One who is the very Life Essence that is within him and that is his very own Beingness.

***Having communion with God is not “eating crackers and drinking grape juice”!*** It is an abomination to God, *Who is Holy and Who is Spirit*, for one to think that God can be appeased and manipulated by man’s carnal works and religious rituals. To worship (acknowledge) and have communion with God, one must do so in Spirit and in the Knowledge of Living Truth. (See John 4:24.) Any effort to communicate with God or to please Him is futile except when one enters the “secret place” in the sanctuary of his own pure heart, and “*there in his heart*” and *in the spirit of his mind* acknowledge that God is “*there*” where he himself is -- *not in some far, distant, and unknown place. Here is where one will worship (acknowledge) and have communion with God.*

***The doctrines of man’s religions that teach that man can have “communion with God” by partaking of “symbolic elements” are pure deception!*** Why would one “eat” a symbol (bread) and call it “the Lord’s body,” and “drink” a symbol (grape juice) and call it “the Lord’s blood,” *when true communion with the Lord is available to him within himself in the form of the Word and the Spirit of Truth?*

***The Lord's body is the Word of Knowledge that became flesh (Wisdom), and his blood is the Life in the Spirit of the Word.*** The "Word" that the man Jesus of Nazareth taught and embodied in his flesh and in the Spirit of his Mind, and his Consciousness of the Truth of the Word that he embodied and taught, are available to anyone who will ***"eat of his flesh" (Word) and "drink of his blood" (Spirit).*** For one to do this "symbolically," using crackers and grape juice or any other type of symbolism or ritual, *is beyond absurd -- and ridiculous! Eating crackers and drinking grape juice will hardly renew the spirit of a man's mind and expand his Light and Consciousness of Truth whereby he may live.* But partaking of the *true body and the blood of the Lord* -- which are the Divine Word of Truth and the Spirit of the Wisdom of the Word that Jesus taught -- will do all of that, and more!

The Kingdom of God (God kind) of Life, Mind, and Truth does not come to the consciousness of one's mind by observing any religious rituals. *Every ritual and every manner of so-called "worship" that one engages in, that is not according to the Knowledge of Truth, and in the Spirit (Wisdom) and the Life of that Truth, is not acceptable to God. Any attempt to worship, please, or acknowledge God outside of the Truth that is within you is sacrilegious, grossly irreverent, and shameful* -- and a man who does this will receive NO reward for his sacrifices and his carnal works of ignorance. Hosea 4:6 says, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee." Notice that this word does *not* say, "My people perish for a lack of idol worship and performance of rituals" (and the Lord knows there is plenty of that), but it says *they perish for a "lack of knowledge,"* and that when Truth is offered to them, they reject it.

Any profit or gain a man may seem to have by "learning the books (letters) of the Bible" or any other religious doctrine is a FALSE PROFIT (prophet) ***if he does not produce "new life" out of the dead seeds of the letters of the words of knowledge that he has been given and learned.*** The seeds (written words) are free, but when they are planted, quickened, and resurrected to newness of life, and they continue to grow in substance and increase within a man's heart and mind, *he will have a true, living profit (Prophet).* The Substance and the Life of that profit (increase) of Living Truth will remain forever *if one will continually bring forth more and more increase of Wisdom and Truth.* A man who does not work with his own hands and by the sweat of his own brow, and produce fruit (a harvest) out of the "seed" (Word) that he is given, is not worthy to eat the body (the bread) and experience the life (blood) of another man (the Lord). A man cannot live on another man's flesh or his blood. ***He must bring forth new life from within himself if he will live and not die. No one can achieve this by the exercise of rituals or idol worship, or by eating crackers and drinking grape juice (symbolic elements), or by confessing his "sins" to another man who is as "sinful" or more so than he is.***

The question of the desperate man was, ***"What in hell do you want from me?"*** The answer from God to him is, ***"Acknowledge Me in all your ways, that you may know My way -- SO THAT YOU MAY BE DELIVERED OUT OF HELL -- that you may live and that I may dwell in and make my abode in you forever."*** ***This is what God wants from every man! Nevertheless, He will be "with" you, but not "in" you, even if you choose to make your bed "in hell"!***