

PHILIPPIANS... PART XVI
"It does matter who you know"
Reference: **Philippians 3:10**
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verse ten, "that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,"

Paul is commenting on his ongoing search for knowledge. But this knowledge was more experiential than just intellectual. There were three areas Paul hoped to increase in this personal, interactive, and intimate experiential knowledge.

ONE... Paul wanted to know the _____ of Jesus Christ
verse ten, "...that I may know Him (Christ)"

The word "know" is translated from the Greek verb "ginosko" and means to "know experientially through _____ involvement."

verse eight a, "Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the **knowledge** of Christ Jesus my Lord..."

Suggestions for knowing Jesus better:

- _____ with Him
- _____ to Him
- _____ Him

Philippians 3:10a from the Amplified Bible
"For my determined purpose is that I may know Christ, that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding Him more strongly and more clearly."

TWO... Paul wanted to know the _____ of Jesus Christ
verse ten continued, "...and the power of His resurrection,"

Romans 8:11a, "But if the **Spirit of Him** (God) who **raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you...**"

Acts 1:8, "But you shall receive **power** when **the Holy Spirit** has come upon you."

II Timothy 1:7, "For God has not given us **a spirit of fear**, but of **power**."

Zechariah 4:6, "Not by (human) might nor by (human) power, but **by My Spirit** says the Lord of hosts."

THREE... Paul wanted to know the _____ of Jesus Christ
verse ten continued, "and the fellowship (partnership) of His (Christ's) sufferings being conformed to His death."

II Corinthians 1:5, "For as the **sufferings of Christ** abound in us..."

II Corinthians 4:10, "...always carrying about in the body the **dying of the Lord Jesus...**"

Galatians 6:17, "...for I bear in my body the **marks of the Lord Jesus**."

I Peter 4:13, "but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy/."