

CHAPTER 1

Laying the Foundation

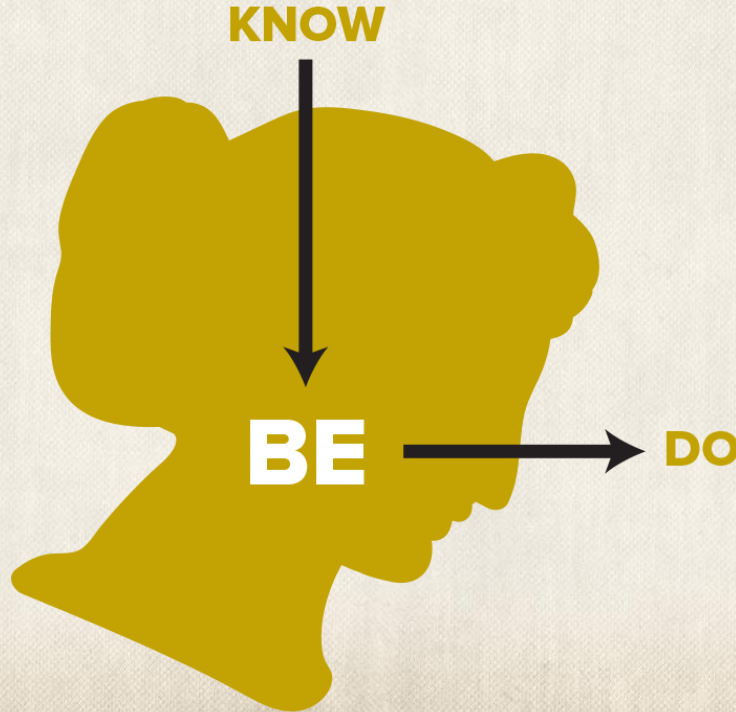
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Our Goal

To glorify God in
everything

**–Eph. 1:11–12;
1 Cor. 10:31**

Knowing, Being, and Doing



Knowing

Our knowledge of truth
and doctrine, most
importantly about God

Being

Our identity as children
of God, and the
holiness He grows
within us

Doing

Our actions; what we do to reflect God's character, whether through . . .

- Studying the Bible
- Serving others
- Sharing the gospel of Christ
- Or whatever else

Which Is the Most Important?

Being (Eph. 1:12)

The Doctrine of Holiness

God calls us to holiness
(1 Pet. 1:14–16).

Holiness: Two Main Ideas

- God is perfect, without sin (1 John 1:5).
- God is exalted above all (Isa. 57:15).

Holiness: Our Personal Holiness Is . . .

- The work that God performs in us
- To set us apart *from* sin and *to* righteousness

Holiness: Our Personal Holiness Is . . .

- So that we reflect God's character

The Doctrine of Holiness

- Jesus redeems us to holiness.
–Eph. 5:25–27

The Doctrine of Holiness

- God's Spirit perfects our holiness.

–2 Cor. 3:18



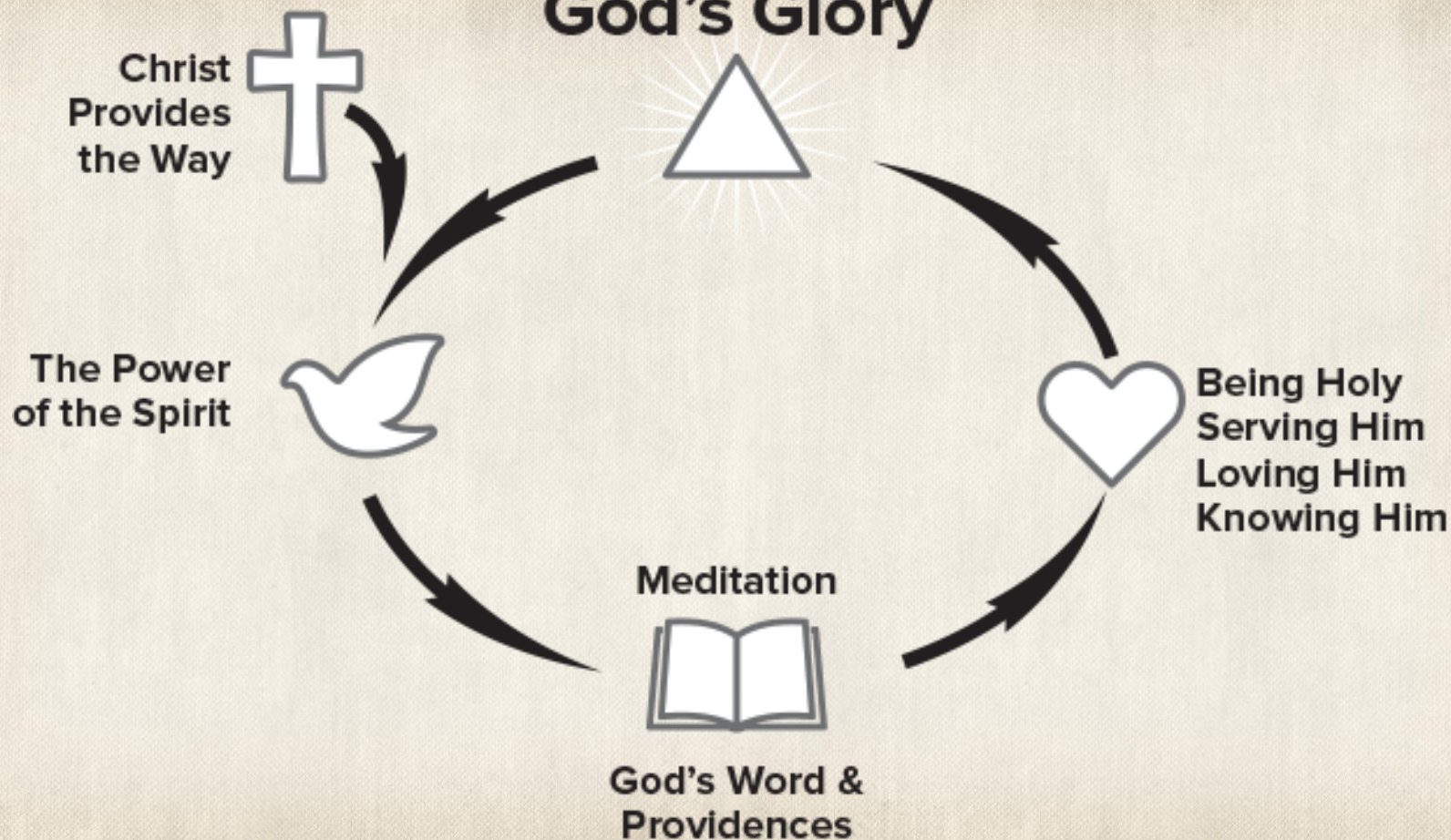
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CHAPTER 2

Getting a Right Focus

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God's Glory



Results of a Wrong Focus

Holiness

- Dependence on feelings
- Neglect of evangelism

Results of a Wrong Focus

The Word

Dead orthodoxy

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Results of a Wrong Focus

Love

- Redefinition of godly love
- Neglect of God's truth

Results of a Wrong Focus

Rules and Laws

Legalism—dependence on our own works for salvation and holiness

Results of a Wrong Focus

Doing

Directionless duty

Results of a Wrong Focus

Being

Self-improvement
without sanctification

The Right Focus

- On a Person: God
– Phil. 3:20–21

The Right Focus

- Through the Word
– 1 Cor. 13:12

The Right Focus

- Through providence

Results of a Right Focus

- A love for God
- Genuine holiness and service



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CHAPTER 3

Knowing God

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Knowing God

What It Isn't

- Knowledge about God

Knowing God

What It Isn't

- Knowledge about good works

Knowing God

What It Isn't

- Perfect knowledge of God

Knowing God

What It Is

- A personal relationship

Knowing God

What It Is

- A personal fellowship



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