YOU CAN HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD-A Father & His Family-Mon, July 12th

- A big part of having eternal life is knowing the Lord, to know him intimately, to have relationship with Him-*Jn17:3*-This is eternal life, that they might know (become <u>acquainted</u> with (to be intimately known, have personal knowledge) you the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent
 - <u>Relationship with the Lord is something every believer should enjoy</u>-Available to every believer
 - What is relationship?-Knowing each other intimately and sharing our lives
 - You can have relationship with the Lord like the one you have with you best friend-You know each other, you spend time together, you share with each other
 - <u>God wants to be known by His people</u>-*Hb8:10*-I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people; 11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbor and very man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know (see, know, experience) me from the least to the greatest
- Christianity is a Father and His family-*Ep3:14*-I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 Of whom the whom family in heaven and earth is named; *Rm8:15*-You have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but you have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, abba, Father
 - Most important thing for me to have with my daughters is relationship-One thing I desire
 - <u>He knocks because He wants relationship</u>-*Rev3:20*-Behold I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him and will sup (dine) with him and he with me
 - <u>We should desire relationship with the Lord</u>-*Ph3:10*-[For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him [that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His Person more strongly and more clearly]
- In our walk with the Lord relationship is a big thing, but it's not the only thing
 - Our walk with the Lord is many things-1Jn2:6, Pr4:6, Jn4:24
 - <u>Relationship keeps everything else in place</u>-Without relationship Christianity is lifeless and laborious; It becomes working for God, learning principles, perfecting behavior