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	———— Kainos Ministries —	

## **FOREWORD**

This work presumes that you have allready given your heart to the Lord Jesus Christ as according to His Word in **John 1:12:** 

<sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name: (KJV)

Most children of God do not have a problem in serving God, the will is there, but they battle to HEAR HIS VOICE and in so doing cannot know the perfect will of God.

They find themselves in a constant battle of doubt and confusion about what the will of God might be for certain things in their lives.

Every one of us should know our purpose for being created and God's will for our lives. The Apostle Paul heard these words also applicable to us today:

**Acts 22:14** <sup>14</sup> And he said, The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know His will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth. (KJV)

I trust that this work will help each and everyone to hear God's voice, to know His will and to DO His will.

## Love in Christ PASTOR MARIUS SWART

Kainos Ministries is based on a word I received from the Lord in Isaiah 43:18-19 <sup>18</sup> Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. (KJV) <sup>19</sup> Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert. (KJV) ....... The word "KAINOS" is a Greek word which means "NEW " or "FRESH" and that is exactly what we trust the Lord for " NEW and FRESH " things in our Ministry.



Pastor Marius & Kotie Swart

**2 Corinthians 5:17** <sup>17</sup> Therefore if any man be in Christ, he **is a new creature**: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become **new**. (KJV)

We trust that through this book God will grow a NEW, more intimimate relationship between Himself and yourself, and that God will Bless you.

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### INTRODUCTION

**Matthew 28:17-19** <sup>17</sup> And when they <u>saw</u> him, they <u>worshipped</u> him: but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and <u>spake</u> unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. <sup>19</sup> <u>Go</u> ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: (KJV

## 4 STEPS in HEARING GOD's voice and DOING HIS will

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To know Him for who He really is .

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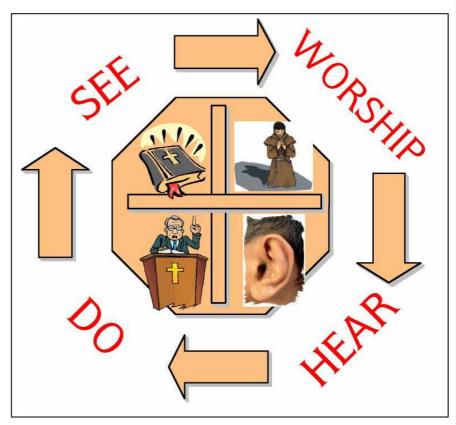
#### 3. **HEAR** -

To discern God's voice.

#### 4. **GO** –

Doing God's will and GOING wherever He might send us.

You cannot DO God's will if you haven't HEARD His voice, and you cannot hear Him unless you WORSHIP Him in spirit and in truth, and you cannot WORSHIP Him for Who he really is, unless you KNOW Him for Who He really is.



If you are **NOT DOING** God's will, it means that you haven't heard His voice and you **cannot HEAR** Him unless you live a **LIFE OF WORSHIP** to God, and if you do not live this life then **you DO NOT KNOW GOD** for WHO He really is.

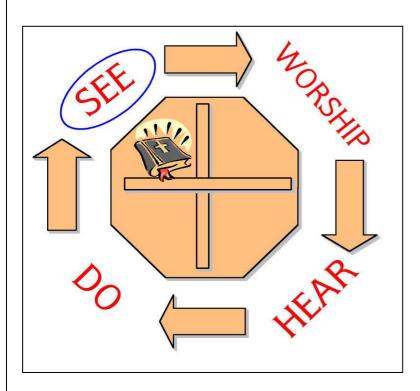
If you SEE, you will WORSHIP, then you will HEAR and then you Can GO and DO whatever HE might ask or command.

## CHAPTER 1 - SEE

#### TO KNOW HIM FOR WHO HE REALLY IS

The disciples had to know Jesus to recognise Him when they saw Him... although some of them doubted....

Matthew 28:17...... <sup>17</sup> And when they saw Him....



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The first step to hearing what God says and the understanding of WHAT His will might be  $\dots$  is to SEE HIM for WHO and WHAT HE

REALLY IS.

This illustration described the beginning of a Devine cycle in which we can have constant communion with God, being aware of His will and doing what He ask of us.

#### 1.1 CAN WE SEE GOD?

With the naked eye? No. The Word teaches us that we can't.

**1 John 4:20** <sup>20</sup> If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom **he hath not seen**? (KJV)

1 Pet 1:8 - 8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: (KJV)

Because we cannot see God, we cannot know God, unless He reveals Himself to us. But HOW does God reveal Himself and as WHOM does God reveal Himself? Before we can understand God's Self-revelation, we have to know WHO GOD REALLY is.

#### 1.2 **WHO IS GOD?**

God is a triune God namely: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. There are a few proofs of this: -

- 1.2.1 **During the creation Gen 1: 26** <sup>26</sup> *And God said, Let <u>us</u> make man in our image,* .. (KJV) .This speaks of more than one person involved in the creation of man.
- **1.2.2 At Jesus' baptism Luke 3:21-22 ... Son** is baptized ...**Holy Spirit** descends....voice of the **Father** from heaven.
- **1.2.3** In heaven 1John 5:7 <sup>7</sup> For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. (KJV)

#### 1.3 HOW DOES GOD REVEAL HIMSELF TODAY?

We have to distinguish between:

- a) **General Revelation** e.g. Creation; Bible, Books etc.
- b) **Special (Supernatural) Revelation** Angels; Audible voice etc.
- c) **Personal Revelation –** the one-on-one encounter with Him

#### **1.3.1** Revelation by the Father.

**John 14:6-9** <sup>6</sup> Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. <sup>7</sup> **If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also**: and from henceforth ye know him, **and have seen him**. <sup>8</sup> Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. <sup>9</sup> Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? **he that hath seen me hath seen the Father**; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? (KJV)

We cannot see the Father with the naked eye. The Father-heart of God is revealed by His Son Jesus Christ.

#### **1.3.2** Revelation by the Son.

**Heb 1:1-2** - ¹ God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, ² Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; (KJV)

You might say, "I cannot see Jesus either" and you are right because Jesus after His death And Resurrection, ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father.

Jesus Himself said in: John 14:1-3 - Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.<sup>2</sup> In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. (KJV)

**Heb 2:9 -** <sup>9</sup> **But we see Jesus**, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. (KJV)

This means that we see Jesus with a spiritual eye, for WHO He really is...

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#### 1.3.3 God's Revelation through the Holy Spirit.

**John 14:16-17** <sup>16</sup> And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; <sup>17</sup> Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, **because it seeth him not**, neither knoweth him: **but ye know him**; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. (KJV)

We cannot see the Father. That's why Jesus came. He (Jesus) is the personalization of the Father. To know Jesus IS TO KNOW THE FATHER.

But to know Jesus, for who he really is, means to have the HOLY SPIRIT in your life. This happens at REBIRTH(When we are BORN AGAIN). But even then we only know in part. The more the Spirit works in our lives, the more we learn about Jesus. We cannot see the Holy Spirit either because He is Spirit. If we talk about SEEING God, it means that we "SEE" through Spiritual eyes. It means, "A comprehension formed by the PICTURES IN OUR MINDS" when we talk about God.

#### 1.4 WHY DON'T WE "SEE" GOD?

We ask the Question, "Why can we not "**see**" God for who He really is ?", and here follows a few reasons:

#### 1.4.1 SIN / DISOBEDIENCE / IDOLATRY

Romans 11:8 <sup>8</sup> (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day. (KJV) If we remain in our sin and disobedience, God will eventually be forced to hand us over to our sinful desires. If we love anything more than we love God, we are busy with idolatry.

Also read: Is 42:17-18; Is 44:17-18; Jer 5:19-20; Ezek 12:2-3

#### 1.4.2 FAITHLESSNESS (LACK OF FAITH)

**2 Cor 4:3-4** <sup>3</sup> But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: <sup>4</sup> In whom the god of this world hath **blinded the minds** of **them which believe not**, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. (KJV)

If we do not believe God according to the way He reveals Himself to us through the Scripture and through personal revelation, we will not be able to see God for whom He really is.

Also read: Matt 11:3-6; Heb 11:6; James 1:7

#### 1.4.3 **LACK OF KNOWLEDGE**

**1 Cor 13:12 -** <sup>12</sup> For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: **now I know in part**; but then shall I know even as also I am known. (KJV)

READ: Matt 13:9-9-16; Heb 8:10-11; Matt 11:26-29

#### 1.4.4 LACK OF HOLINESS

Hebrews 12:14 <sup>14</sup> Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: (KJV).

Also read: 1 Pet: 16; 1 Thess 4:3-7; Rom 6:18-19;

John 14	IOVE THE LORD ( LOVE implies OBEDIENCE)  1:21
lust as d lim as d le can,	HAVE FAITH our rebirth and accepting Jesus Christ as our personal saviour, and getting to know our Saviour is an act of faith, such is getting to know Him for WHOM He is and WHom an act of faith as well.  11:27
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1.6.1	<b>GOD IS A PERSON.</b> - God is not an impersonal entity of Power and Might. God has personality; God reveals emotions; God has a will.
<i>Jer 29:11</i> _	
Isaiah 46:1	10
1.6.2 <i>Ps 90:2</i>	<b>GOD IS ETERNAL</b> For us it is immeasurable and impossible to understan and realize that God is Eternal and Everlasting.
God doesn't	have a beginning. He is the Beginning and He doesn't have an end. He is the
1.6.3 <i>John 4:24</i> <sub>-</sub>	GOD IS SPIRIT - God doesn't live or dwell in handmade temples.
Job 33:4_	God seeks true worshippers that worship Him like this The Greek word for Spirit = PNEUMA: means Spirit - breath - wind.
1.6.4 <i>Ps 147:5</i> _	GOD IS ALL-KNOWING: God is unrestricted in His knowledge.
Matt 10:29	His understanding is infinite.
Also read: <i>R</i>	Com 11:33
If we realise God knows e	d that He knew everything, we would not have tried to do things in the dark. everything.
	GOD IS ALMIGHTY(OMNIPOTENT). God can do just as He wants.

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<i>Ps</i> 115:3		-
Matt 9:26		-
	There is nothing that God cannot do except God cannot lie.	-
	GOD IS OMNI-PRESENT Wherever you find yourself, God is there.	_
Ps 139:7 –	9	- - -
Jer 23:23 -	- 24	- -
Acts 17:27	<i>- 28</i>	- - -
	GOD IS LOVE. (God doesn't just love. He is Love)	- - -
1 John 3:1 <sub>_</sub>		-
1 John 4:9		- - -
1 John 4:10	6	- — -
John 3:16		- - -
1.6.8 <i>Isaiah 46:</i> 1	GOD IS SOVEREIGN. Sovereign; Supreme; Commander with the higher authority Master	- ghes -
Daniel 4:35	5	- - - /
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Ephes 1:11	
GOD DC	DES AS HE PLANS, PURPOSES AND ACCORDING TO HIS WILL.
1.6.9	GOD IS UNCHANGING - Constant and invariable .  He is and will never be less loving, less powerful, less Mighty or a lesser God truth. The same God of Abraham, Isaac an Jacob is also our God.
James 1:17	Tutti. The same God of Abraham, Isaac an Jacob is also our God.
<i>Ps 34:8</i> <sup>8</sup> O a	GOD IS GOOD. taste and see that the LORD is good: (KJV)
James 1:17	
Ps 86:5	
Ps 100:5_	
Ps 135:3	
Jer 33:11_	
1.6.11	GOD IS JUST (RIGHTEOUS) He is a fair and Just (Righteous) God.
Gen 18:25_	
Ps 7:9-12_	
Ps 18:24-2	6

Ps 145:17 _	
	GOD IS A GOD OF TRUTH
John 17:3 _	
1 John 5:20	0 – 21
	y just the true God, but <b>everything He says and does is true</b> .
Ps 119:160	
John 3:33_	
	GOD IS HOLY: - God is free from all contamination; He's got NO faults of defects; God is uncompromising.
Is 6:3	
Ps 96:9	
Ps 99:9	

The essence of true holiness consists in conformity to the nature and the will of God ....Samuel Lucas

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	OD's ACTIONS AS PROOF OF WHO HE IS rn to know God better through His actions and deeds.
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	HE IS CREATOR. WHEN GOD SPEAKS — IT BRINGS LIFE .
<u> Psair</u>	<u>n 33:6</u>
To 44.	<b>34</b> <sup>24</sup>
<u>Is 44:</u>	<u> </u>
Rev 4	.11
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	HE THE SUSTAINER OF ALL THINGS.
Psain	104:27-28
	Matt 6:25-34 – GOD PROVIDES FOR US( See: Cellgroup Material 2)
<u>Hebr</u>	<u>1:3</u>
	HE IS SAVIOUR / REDEEMER . That deserves our highest praise .
Rom	<u>4:17</u>
Rom 3	<u>3:23-24</u>
Ephes	2:8-9

**1.7.4 HE IS OUR JUDGE..** We are all going to appear before the Judgement throne of God. Therefore we need to fear God. Some people are driven away by fear but others' fear (respect) for God brings them to repentance.

**In Genesis Chapters 3-9** – God reveals Himself as the God who punishes sin. E.g Adam and Eve is banished from the garden of Eden.; The Flood over all the earth; And we find the judgement over the cities in **Genesis 19**.

One day God will judge His enemies and all who did NOT serve Him . Rev. 20:11-15).

No thought, decision or action escapes the eyes of God.

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#### 1.8 THE NAMES OF GOD AS PROOF OF WHO HE IS:

In the Old Testament God reveals Himself in many different ways:

NAME VAN GOD	MEANING	SCRIPTURE
Jehova Tsikenu	The Lord our Righteousness	Jer 33:16
Jehova M'kaddesh	The Lord who is Holy	Ezek 37:28
Jehova Shalom	The Lord my peace	Judges 6:24
Jehova Shammah	The Lord who is present	Ezek 48:35
Emmanuel	God with us	Isaiah 7:14
Jehovah Rophe	The Lord my healer	Exod 15:26
El Elyon	The Most High God	Gen 14:18
Jehova Jireh	The Lord is my Provider	Gen 22:14
El Shaddai	The Lord God Almighty	Gen 17:1
Jehova Nissi	The Lord my Banner	Exod 17:15
Jehova Rohi	The Lord is my Shepherd	Ps 23:1-2

#### **THE NAMES OF JESUS:**

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Jesus (Matt 1:20 ;Luke 1:31) derived from the word "Jeshua" which means Saviour; Son of the Most High (Luke 1:32; Luke 8:28); Son of man (Matt 8:20; Matt 9:6); Son of God (Matt 4:3;6; Matt 14:33); Son of David (Matt 9:27; Matt 12:23; Matt 20:31); Redeemer/ Saviour (2 Pet 3:18; 2 Pet 2:20; Tit 3:6; 2 Tim 1:10) Anointed of God (Acts 4:26;Luke 9:20; Rev 11:15); Leidsman (Acts 3:15; 5:31; Heb 2:10)
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**Master**; ( Judas 4)

**Rabbi** (Mark 9:5; John 1:31; John 6:25)

**The Christ** (Matt 16:13; Luke 4:41); *Christ means Anointed (*Luke 2:11; John 1:41)

**Messiah**); John 11:27; Rom 6:23; Phil 3:7-8);

Immanuel (Isaiah 7:14; Matt 1:23);

**Isaiah 9:6** <sup>6</sup> For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called **Wonderful**, **Counsellor**, **The mighty God**, **The everlasting Father**, **The Prince of Peace**. (KJV)

<u>NAMES OF THE SPIRIT</u> :
<b>Holy Spirit</b> (Matt 1:20;Matt 12:31-32; Acts 7:55);
<b>Spirit of God</b> (Gen 1:2; Matt 3:16; Matt 12:28 <b>)</b> ;
Spirit of the Father (Matt 10:20; John 15:26);
<b>Spirit of Truth</b> (John 14:17; John 15:26; John 16:13)
Spirit of Christ (1 Cor 2:16; Phil 1:19 );
Comforter (John 14:16);
Spirit of Grace (Heb 10:29);
Spirit of Jesus (Acts 16:7; Gal 4:6);
<b>Spirit of the Lord</b> .(Judges 6:34; Luke 4:18;Acts 5:9);
Spirit of the Living God (2 Cor 3:3);

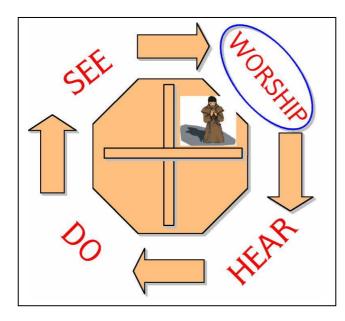
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## Chapter 2 - WORSHIP

Our ACKNOWLEDGEMENT for whom He really is.

Matt 28:17-19 <sup>17</sup> And when they saw Him, they worshipped him, but some doubted.....



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## 2.1 WHAT IS WORSHIP?:

#### 2.1.1 THE DEFINITION OF WORSHIP

Worship cannot be described in words it can only be experienced. But like every other experience we can endeavor to describe it in words.

- a) THE ENGLISH WORD "WORSHIP" is deduced from the Anglo Saxon word "Weorthscipe' worth ship", which is a reaction upon, and indicates the VALUE OF GOD.
- b) HEBREW WORDS (i) "**Shachah**" to bow down
  - (ii) "Abodah" to serve a superior Read: Ex 3:12

Ps 100:2

- c) GREEK WORDS -
- (i) "**Proskuneo**" it means to kiss the hand as a gesture of adoration.
- (ii) "Leitourgia" to serve -

Matt 4:10

WHEN WE LOVE THOSE WHO ARE UNDESERVING ITS AN ACT OF MERCY, BUT LOVING GOD IS AN ACT OF WORSHIP.

#### Romans 12:1

<sup>1</sup> I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. (KJV)

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