



the *ultimate*
RELATIONSHIP

Do you ever wonder :

What is life all about?

Is there a higher power? What is our purpose?

Why are we here? Is there more to this life?

If you could know
God personally
WOULD YOU
WANT TO?

This booklet will help you find answers to some of these questions and reveal some helpful truths about life.

Created for Relationship

God created us to have a personal relationship with him, now and forever.

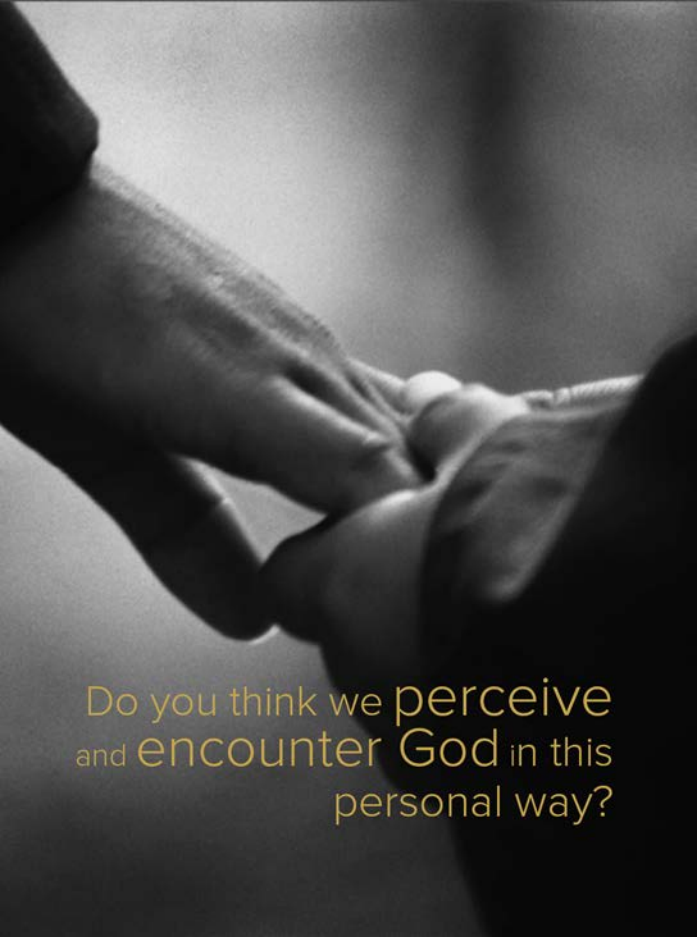
“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are.”

-1 John 3:1

God wants us to know his love and experience his fulfilling plan for each of us.

“For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.”

-Jeremiah 29:11



Do you think we perceive
and encounter God in this
personal way?

Our Relationship is Broken

The problem in all our lives is sin — our turning away from God in what we have done and what we have failed to do. Sin severs our relationship and separates us from him.

The image to the left symbolizes the separation our sins create and the consequences that sin has brought about.

Some of the consequences of this separation are guilt, emptiness, or feeling far from God. But sin has even a greater consequence: eternal separation from God.

“For the wages of sin is death.”

-Romans 6:23


Our broken relationship
can be **restored.**

Jesus Restores Our Relationship



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

-John 3:16-17



By his cross, Jesus took upon himself the consequences of our sins and the sin of the whole human race. By his rising from the dead he brought us new life.

Jesus alone restores our relationship with God by bridging the gap caused by sin. That is why he says:

***"I am the way, and the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father
except through me."***

-John 14:6

We can experience this restored relationship.

The Relationships Diagram



Outside
of my life



Part
of my life



Centre
of my life



Outside
of my life



Part
of my life



Centre
of my life

The top three images represent levels of commitment in three kinds of human relationships. The first image represents someone who is single; there is no romantic relationship in their life. The second image represents someone who is dating. This relationship is a part of their life, but commitment is limited.