

# Understanding Men

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## I. Introduction.

A. 1 Thessalonians 2:8.

B. To be effective for God it is necessary to understand men. (Daniel 10:12, 1 Kings 3:9, 4:29, Proverbs 15:28, John 2:25)

## II. God sees us as individuals and his plan is to use an individual like us.

A. You are important to God as an individual. You have a name from God for eternity that you will someday be called by God.

B. We are important to many and most importantly to Jesus. (Proverbs 14:12, 16:2)

C. There is much emphasis in the Bible on God looking for a man. (Ezekiel 22:30, Isaiah 66:1-2, 2 Chronicles 16:9)

D. It is good to understand how much God loves you and what He did to put you on the right path. (Romans 5:12-19, Psalm 33)

## III. God uses us.

A. He uses us through the light we shine. (Hebrews 1, Matthew 5:16, Colossians 1:27-29)

B. He uses us through our sharing of His Word. (1 Peter 4:11)

1. We share that everyone is a sinner. We have come short of the expectation that God has through us in Jesus Christ. (Romans 3:23)

2. We share that the wages of sin is death. (Romans 6:23) A man's bitter heart is changed when Jesus comes in. God forgives us.

3. The message is free. (Ephesians 2:8-9, John 1:12)

4. Jesus taught that all men need a spiritual birth. (John 3)

## Application questions

1. Why can it be said that the individual is important to God?

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2. How does God intend to use us?

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3. How would your life look different if you fully exhibited what it means to be used by God?

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