What you don’t know

Jn. 4:22

2 Kings 17:29

 **ILL.** People say, “It’s not what you know but WHO you know.”

What you don’t know can hurt you; grave consequences, regret, etc.

 **ILL.** “In the ‘know.’”

 **ILL.** Busybodies that have to know everything.

There are some things you don’t need to know and it’s better if you don’t know.

So don’t try to find out.

 **ILL.** It is good to just leave things alone.

 **ILL.** Facebook, etc. everybody wants to know about everybody else. QUIT IT!

I. THE ‘KNOW NOT’ OF LYING (Gen. 4:9)

 i. The first mention of “know not” of it is negative. That gives you revelation of the modern civilization. It’s crooked. Everybody is trying to hide something and lying about it.

 **ILL.** First mention about youth, **“a young man”** was slain in Cain’s civilization (Gen. 4:23)

 **ILL.** Peter got into that (Mk. 14:71)

 ii. He cursed and swore. He later wept bitterly because of that.

 That is the result of KNOWING something but not telling the truth.

 **ILL.** What happened with Adam and Eve. They KNEW that they sinned (Gen. 3:7).

II. THE NOT KNOWING THE LORD (Exod. 5:2)

 i. That is results in worshipping ye know not (Jn. 4:22)

 **ILL.** I asked the priest, “Are you saved?” He answered, “Nobody can know that.”

He is a practical agnostic. I read him 1 Jn. 5:13.

 **ILL.** “The originals” that nobody has seen.

 ii. Not knowing the Bible, you can fall short of not knowing the will of God (Jn.4:32)

 **ILL.** Cf. knowing the perfect will of God (Rom. 12:1, 2)

III. THE ‘NOT KNOW’ how to do something (1 Kings 3:7). Solomon’s prayer.

1. Is an honest confession. That’s when the Lord can step in and move and do something rather than boasting.

 **ILL.** You’ve got the “I know, I know, I know kind of Christians. Watch out! “Pride goeth before destruction.

IV. THE ‘NOT KNOWING’ the manner of God (2 Kings 17:26)

V. THE ‘KNOW NOT’ of wicked judges (Psa. 82:5)

 i. They know not at what they stumble (Prov. 4:19)

VI. THE ‘KNOWEST NOT’ concerning your own needs (Rev. 3:14)

1. The Corinthians didn’t know of the indwelling of the Spirit of God in them (1 Cor. 3:16)

2. They didn’t know that sin always corrupts and reaps (1 Cor. 5:6).

3. They didn’t know that fellowship in with the wrong people is useless (1 Cor. 6:9)

4. They were ignorant of the results of fornication (1 Cor. 6:16, 19)

5. They didn’t know how to run the Christian race (1 Cor. 9:24)

6. Concerning how the Lord can answer prayers (Jer. 33:3)

7. Concerning sowing (Eccl. 11:6).

VII. THE ‘KNOW NOT’ OF GOD’S JUDGMENT (Prov. 8:7)

VIII. THE ‘KNOW NOT’ OF THE LORD’S RETURN (Matt. 24:42)

IX. NOT KNOWING THE LORD RESULTS IN ETERNAL FIRE (2 Thess. 1:8)

Saved

Jesus’ testimony (Jn 7:29; 8:55). He knew the Lord.

For the believer you’re to get to know the Lord even more so (Phil. 3:10).

 **ILL.** A man said to me, “You don’t know the Lord. You can’t know the Lord.”

2 Tim. 1:12 “ибо я знаю кому поверил”

1 Jn. 5:13

Unsaved

If you’re to know the God of history, the Holy Bible, you’ve got to come to the Lord Jesus Christ (Jn. 14:6, 7).

 **ILL.** It’s not a matter of just knowing ‘about’ the Lord. You CAN know Him personally.

 **ILL.** A young man boastfully said, “I’m an atheist.” I replied, “Yeah, and you’re a fool.”

Trying to explain to him that he can know the Lord is like walking into a new store and know firsthand what’s in that store than just know about what’s in that store having listened to others about it.

 You can find out yourself (Jn. 4:42).

 That’s the difference between going either to heaven or hell!

 **ILL.** A young man was standing by a street corner at the town square. A car pulled up. The driver asked the young man for directions. The young man answered “I don’t know.” With repeated questions from the driver the young man replied, “I don’t know how to get there.” The driver, upset spurted out, “Young man, what do you know.” He kindly replied, “I know the Lord Jesus Christ.”