

LifeWORKS



staying in shape as a Christian

LIFEquestions

Your Story

- What does 'knowing God' mean to you?
- When did you first come to know God, and how has that relationship developed over time?
- What difference has God's presence made to your daily life in the past week?
- What has been your recent experience of knowing God's presence, or feeling his absence?

God's Story*:

Read the passage on the opposite page.

Take a slow look at the LIFEtext (opposite) and consider these questions:

- What do we see about the *character* of God?
- What do we see about the *work* of God?
- What do we see about the *nature of our relationship* with God?
- Which verses connect with your recent experience of God?
- Are there any verses that seem *not* to connect with your experience? Why is that?
- What does it mean to you, to 'call on God' (v18)?
- What does it mean to you to 'fear' God (v19)?

Your Story

- How would you like to be more 'rooted' in the God described in this passage?

* These questions are a guide only. Do not feel you have to cover them all. Do feel free to allow the conversation to develop in other directions, if it seems fruitful (and stays on the subject!). Do pray for one another.

LIFEtext

- 8 The Lord is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.
- 9 The Lord is good to everyone.
He showers compassion on all his creation.
- 10 All of your works will thank you, Lord, and your faithful followers will praise you.
- 11 They will speak of the glory of your kingdom; they will give examples of your power.
- 12 They will tell about your mighty deeds and about the majesty and glory of your reign.
- 13 For your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom. You rule throughout all generations.
- The Lord always keeps his promises; he is gracious in all he does.
- 14 The Lord helps the fallen and lifts those bent beneath their loads.
- 15 The eyes of all look to you in hope; you give them their food as they need it.
- 16 When you open your hand, you satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.
- 17 The Lord is righteous in everything he does; he is filled with kindness.
- 18 The Lord is close to all who call on him, yes, to all who call on him in truth.
- 19 He grants the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cries for help and rescues them.
- 20 The Lord protects all those who love him, but he destroys the wicked.
- PSALM 145 (NLT)

LifeSHAPE
live for God

LifeSTREAM
connect with God

LifeSOURCE
rooted in God

