

Good morning! One of the challenges you and I face, if we have been Christians very long, is that we can get stuck in the rut of doing what we know. We can lose that hunger and thirst that drove us when we came to Jesus in the first place! This dulling of our senses costs us a great deal but the greatest loss is knowing Him more deeply. Are you taking Jesus and His mighty love for granted? This morning let's consider that question together as we read these two passages:

John 5:39

"You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me!"

Hosea 6:3

Oh, that we might know the Lord! Let us press on to know him. He will respond to us as surely as the arrival of dawn or the coming of rains in early spring."

In today's first passage, Jesus is talking to some religious professionals. These folks were the religious leaders in that region. They knew the scriptures, alright, but they had missed the point. He says, "You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me!" These religious professionals loved the scriptures but the scriptures, according to Jesus, point to Him. They are all about Jesus, from Genesis to Maps. When we read the scriptures we must not lose sight of this! It's not the Bible that gives us eternal life; it's Jesus. In our second passage, the prophet Hosea echoes the beat of my own heart, saying, "Oh, that we might know the Lord! Let us press on to know him." Jesus is The Main Thing. Knowing Him is the Main Thing.

If we want to know him, we must press in. If we do, He promises to respond to us, "as surely as the arrival of dawn or the coming of rains in early spring." Are you loving the scriptures but missing the point this morning? Are you pressing in to know the Lord? If you will press in to know Him more deeply, He will respond to you...as surely as the sun will rise tomorrow!