

PURSUING GOD

- 1) Why seek after God?
 - a) Commanded (Ps 105:4; Is 55:6; Amos 5:4; Zeph 2:3; Mt 6:33)
 - b) God desires (Ps 53:2; Acts 17:24-27)
 - c) Promises to God-seekers:
 - 1) Will find God (Pv 8:17; Is 45:19; Mt 7:7-8)
 - 2) Blessing & Reward (Ps 24:3-6, 34:10, 119:2; Lam 3:25)
 - 3) Understand justice (Prov 28:5)
 - 4) Spiritual security (Ps 9:10)
 - d) Biblical examples for us to follow
 - 1) David (Ps 34:4)
 - 2) Asa (2 Chron 14:2-4)
 - 3) Jehoshaphat (2 Chron 17:3-4, 19:1-3, 22:9)
 - 4) Uzziah (2 Chron 26:3-5)
 - 5) Hezekiah (2 Chron 31:20-21)
 - 6) Josiah (2 Chron 34:1-3)
- 2) How should we pursue after God?
 - a) Be committed to pursuing God (Duet 4:29; Ps 27:4, 63:1-8, 84:2; Jer 29:13). Don't be lukewarm towards God! (Rev 3:16)
 - b) Be humble (sense of brokenness) (2 Chron 7:14)
 - c) Have a sense of urgency (Ps 34:4, 63:1, 77:1-2)
 - d) Have a spirit of thanksgiving (I Chron 16:8 -36; Ps 22:26, 40:16, 70:4, 105:3)
 - e) Avoid sin (Pv 1:24,26; Is 9:13-14; Hosea 5:4-6, 7:10)