

A close-up photograph of a hand holding an open book. The book is held vertically, and the pages are fanned out. A bright, golden light source is positioned behind the book, creating a dramatic lens flare and illuminating the pages. The background is dark, making the light and the book stand out. The text 'BOOK of JOHN' is overlaid on the image in a white, serif font. The word 'BOOK' is in a bold, all-caps font, 'of' is in a smaller, elegant script font, and 'JOHN' is in a bold, all-caps font.

BOOK *of* JOHN

JESUS THE CARDIOLOGIST – PART 2

JOHN 14:7-18

(Continuing from last Sunday)

CARDIO THERAPY #2: YOU KNOW OUR FATHER GOD RIGHT NOW v. 7-11

- What does it mean to “know the Father”?
- *The word “know” is used 141 times in John’s Gospel, but it does not always carry the same meaning.*
- What kind of *knowing* is in view here?

FOUR LEVELS OF KNOWING

- 1.** The lowest level is simply knowing a fact, $2+2=4$.
- 2.** The next level is to understand the truth behind that fact: mathematics uses integers and the sum is always equal to the total of the integers.
- 3.** The third level introduces relationship; “to know” means “to believe in a person wholly and become related or intimate with him or her.”
 - A.** “To know” is used of the most intimate relationship between man and wife. **Gen. 4:1**

THE FOURTH LEVEL

4. The fourth use of “know” means “to have a deeper relationship with a person, a deeper communion.”
- It was this level Paul was referring to when he wrote, “*That I may know Him.*” **Phil. 3:10**
 - Jesus will describe this deeper relationship in **John 14:19-23**, the final installment of *Jesus the Cardiologist* next Sunday!
 - Jesus wants us to know who He is!

JESUS IS GOD!

- When Jesus said that knowing Him and seeing Him was the same as knowing and seeing the Father, He was claiming to be God.
- Today we have not seen the Lord Jesus in the flesh (**1 Peter 1:8**), but we do see Him and His works in the Word.
- Why should our hearts be troubled when the Creator and Governor of the universe is *our own Father*?
- The very Lord of heaven and earth is our Father.

Luke 10:21

CARDIO THERAPY #3

YOU HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF TALKING TO GOD PERSONALLY IN PRAYER **v. 12-15**

- One of the best remedies for a troubled heart is prayer. *How is it that we should pray?*
 - We must pray in faith, believing God. **v. 12**
 - We must pray in Christ's name—Jesus is the only way—the right address is important. **v. 13-14**
 - We must pray in loving obedience to the Father's will, not yours or mine—His will. **v. 15**

CARDIO THERAPY #4

WE HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT **JOHN 14:16-18**

- The Holy Spirit is given two special names by our Lord: “*another Comforter*” and “*the Spirit of truth.*”
- The Greek word translated “Comforter” is *parakletos* and it is used only by **John 14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7; 1 John 2:1**. It means “called alongside to assist.”
Helper (or advocate)
- An “*advocate*” is one who represents you at court and stands at your side to plead your case. Jesus is our defense attorney.

HOLY SPIRIT HEART MEDICATION

- As *the “Spirit of Truth,”* the Holy Spirit is related to Jesus, the Truth, and the Word of God, which of itself is the truth. **John 14:6, 17:17**
- The believer’s body is the temple of the Spirit (**1 Cor. 6:19-20**), so what he or she does with that body affects the indwelling Holy Spirit.
- Take your medication; listen to your cardiologist. There is no need to have a troubled heart when you have the very Spirit of God dwelling within you!