

Alpha & Omega

Rev. 1: 8

I am the whole Greek alphabet, from beginning to end.

I am the A.B.C.'S of the Christian experience, when you get me you get it all. when you know me you can spell out every thing of a Rel. nature.

Jesus is not only the alphabet of Rel. experience but of all Rel. knowledge.

Facts about an alphabet

1. It is primary from stand point of time. It comes in the very foundation of your learning - Oh you may learn the words but you are hopeless unless you know the letters - you try to write a word and not know the letters and see where U.P. the sooner we learn the alphabet the better.

Jesus is primary from stand point of time in Rel. and in the persons Rel. experience. Trisha may attend in school at 45 - concrete later started Rel. late in life.

where to learn alphabet. { at school } { at home } Does not matter, as long as you get it.

Multiplication Table (my experience)

It does not matter where you are converted - it might be in the home - in church - by the swimming hole - I'll confess that that's a hard place for a boy to concentrate

Mourner's bench instructions - Long haired man came around to little boy and he was sitting there singing and said, "Son you'll never get Rel. sitting up there singing get down and pray!"

many a boy in the straw has learned an alphabet with which he can write out the limits of Rel. experience.

Two fundamentals we are to learn

1. that I am a great sinner
2. there is a great Savior

Too many think about cold head or intellectual Rel. and not enough about heart Rel, which comes after real conviction, "Hanna Smith" said "bend heart to God on the lightning of sinners and let your head come on by freight."

Know Alphabet by heart
Advantage

Paul and Silas

1. Scripture - no light
2. Song - no turning fork

To wake up in jail
wright do good (Sometimes I think I would like it - I would like to have time to pray without phone ringing)

2. Alphabet Comprehension.

It unlocks all literature - tablet of hieroglyphics - an exact interpretation - break -

Jesus does same for Rel. experience - better we know Jesus the better we know God.

1. He revealed God
2. Explained man
 - a. Suffering
 - b. Disappointments
 - c. Human sin - Big rubber
 - d. Death - old servant