DEVOTIONAL SERIES I WANT TO KNOW YOU LT-COLONEL ROXANNE JENNINGS



The desire to know God isn't just a passing feeling — it's a deep longing placed in our hearts by the One who made us. The lyrics of *I Want to Know You* echo this yearning:

"Cause You created me and I was made to know You, to care about the things You care about."

We weren't created merely to exist, but to live in communion with God. The stars above, the path we walk, and the quiet moments of rest — all gently point us back to Him. God continually invites us to seek Him, and He promises that when we do so with all our hearts, we will find Him.

Psalm 27:8 says, "My heart has heard you say, 'Come and talk with me.' And my heart responds, 'Lord, I am coming." David, though a king and warrior, understood that the greatest pursuit in life wasn't success or comfort — it was the heart of God. Often, we come to God with empty hands, feeling unworthy: "*Nothing I can bring, but this song I sing.*" Yet even in our lack, our worship is welcomed. God does not demand perfection — He simply says, "come."

When we draw near, transformation begins. As the song declares: "The more that I seek You, the more You are making me new. The more that I find You, the more I'm becoming like You." To seek God's heart is to desire more than what He can give — it is to long for who He is. It's a daily rhythm, not a one-time act. He meets us not just in church, but in creation, conversation, Scripture, stillness, and even the chaos of daily life. He is waiting and inviting us to "come."

To know God is to be changed. Like clay in the potter's hands, we are shaped by nearness to Him. We begin to care about what He cares about:

- · Justice that uplifts
- Mercy that restores
- Truth that anchors
- · Grace that frees
- Love that never fails

We are transformed not by striving, but by surrender. The more we know Him, the more we reflect Him.

Lord, teach me to seek You — not just when it's easy or obvious, but in every space I may find myself.

Let my heart be tuned to Your presence — in the quiet, the chaos, and the everyday.

Amen.