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For an obscure character in the Bible he left us with some invaluable information.

Agur = collector or gatherer. And if we are gathering or collecting from the scriptures we too will have some priceless info. The true knowledge of God is not acquired by passive meditation or religious activity. But it can be imparted by God's Spirit to a humble mind and believing heart when searching the scriptures.

Let's see what he wrote in Proverbs 30.

He shows honest self-abasement when it comes to spiritual knowledge.

Proverbs 30:2 Surely I *am* more brutish than *any* man, and have not the understanding of a man.

Proverbs 30:3 I neither learned wisdom, nor have the knowledge of the holy.

As a natural man we are incapable of understanding spiritual truth.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

Jesus told his disciples that he had other things for them but they weren't capable of receiving them UNTIL the Holy Spirit came.

John 16:12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

And the Apostle Paul stated **1 Corinthians 3:18** Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.

And though he (Agur) was doltish own eyes about his spiritual discernment he had more than many theologians and educators today. *Which wouldn't know the truth of the Godhead from lies of the devil.*

Agur knew a Creator and sustainer of the universe has a son. And that he ascended into heaven and descended. And that he controls the winds, established the ends of the earth. And then the Holy Spirit dropped us the Son's name.

I reckon when we are willing to think soberly (not highly of ourselves) God is ready to open our understanding of His work and person.

Agur said: **Proverbs 30:5** Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

And then gives a personal attribute to the word of God – "he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him." It is as if he knew what God would reveal about Jesus Christ when he said **Revelation 19:13** And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

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Who said: "Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me: Lest I be full, and deny *thee*, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God *in vain*."

"WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO PROVE?" "PROVE IT!"

Intro. Things are proved by a test. There needs be some evidence.

1. Prove your own selves

2 Corinthians 13:5 _____ yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; _____ your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

2. Prove the _____ of your _____

2 Corinthians 8:8 I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to _____ the _____ of your _____.

3. Prove the will of God

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may _____ what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

4. Prove your own work

Galatians 6:3-4 For if a man think himself to be something, when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself. But let every man _____ his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5. An approved workman

2 Timothy 2:15 _____ to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Dinner after the service – you are more than welcome to join us.

What is that **laver** (Exodus 30:8) mentioned in the articles for service unto the LORD?

Wed at 7:00 Study in Numbers & Prayer – it is a good investment in your time.

Missionary of the week: LaVita – Honduras

