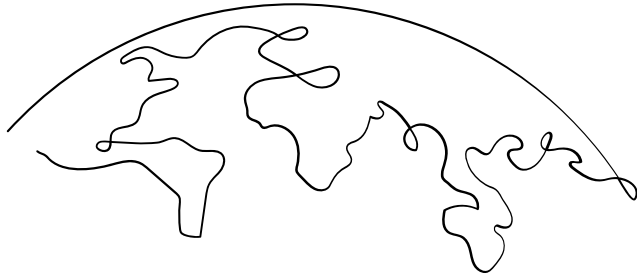


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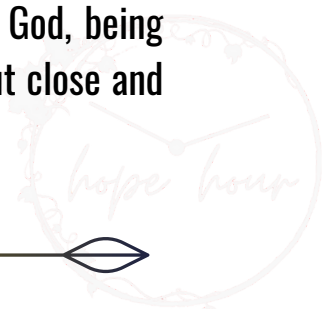


Let's start at the beginning; the Creator who established the Heavens and the Earth. God's love for us has been evident in the Bible since the beginning. God knows the number of hairs on your head (Matthew 10:30). It is hard to fathom the magnitude, detail and love in God's creation. He loves us with the love of a good Father and he longs for us to know him. He tells us that he is the alpha and the omega (Revelation 1:8); the beginning and the end of all things. He reveals all of this through His Word to us.



There are many attributes to God's character. His hand is mighty and His arm is outstretched (Deuteronomy 5:15); He wants to connect with you in His almighty power. God's goodness is what makes Him holy and, in His goodness, we can trust that His wisdom is above all else. The choice, since Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 2-3) has been to choose His wisdom or our own. Even when we do choose our own wisdom, he is always faithful towards us. He always brings us back to Him, back to His goodness and back to His love. There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God (Romans 8:38-39).

Our God is the living God which means that He is alive and at work in the world and in you today. In the Bible, we can see that God has consistently used flawed characters throughout history. He brings them into his plan and works with them as they are because he longs to welcome and include us. Being connected with God may look like spending time in His loving presence, it may look like provision and healing, or it may look like a calling. The more time you spend with him, the more you will get to know him. However you connect with God, being able to share about this will show that He is not far and removed, but close and at hand.



Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Isaiah 49:10

'So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.'

Revelation 1:8

'I am the Alpha and the Omega,' says the Lord God, 'who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.'

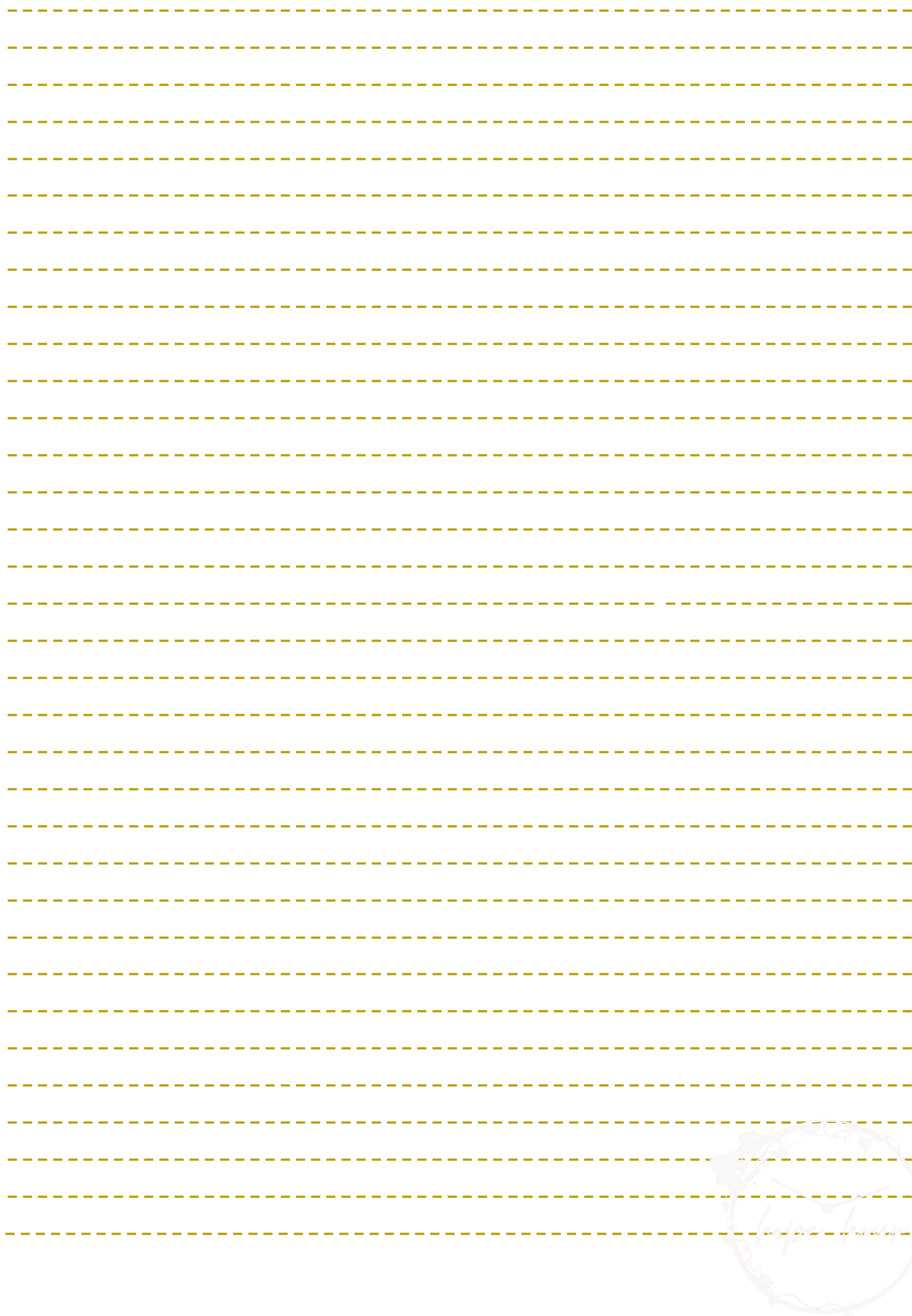


Questions

1. What has knowing the love of God meant for your life?
2. What parts of God's character have you encountered?
3. How have you seen God at work in your life?

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