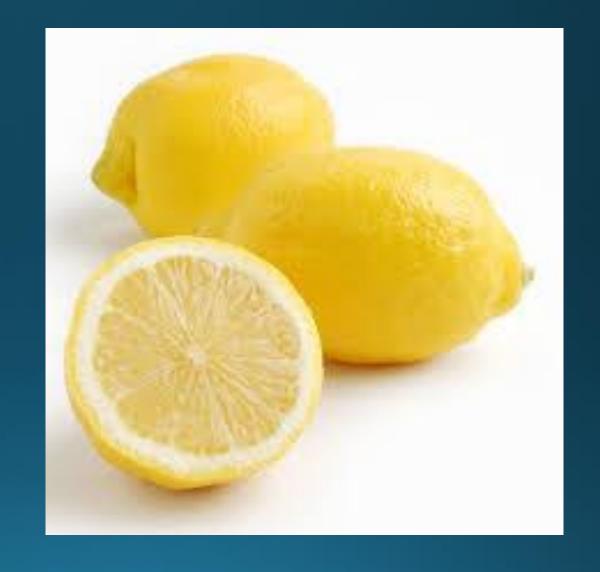
The Sweet Flavor of God

The unique flavor of certain foods, makes a permanent memory. A memory that we can recall when we see the food again.



The sweet and unique flavor of a mango.



However certain foods are more difficult to describe.
How you will describe the flavor of an onion?

Certain foods you need to try, to be able to decide if you will like them, if you will eat them again.



What is your favorite dessert or meal?



Taste is very personal, the experience is different for each person.

I want to ask you today: Can you describe God using the sense of taste, how you will describe the flavor of God?

"Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him."

Psalms 34:8

ַטַעְמְוּ <u>ta-'ă-mū</u> to taste or perceive

The meaning of Tasting God

1. *Tasting* is a very personal experience, we need to consider the multiple flavors we encounter in food. Sweet, salty, acid and bitter. The mixing and balance of flavors make the difference between something delicious or something that taste really bad.

In tasting God we need to love the experience, is more than intellectual exercise, we need to love the experience to really desire it.

What do you prefer eating kale or ice cream?

Tasting something new is risky, requires courage and an amount of Faith. How do you feel about ethnic foods? Let me present you: Pupusas.



2. Another way to taste God, is experience him throughout nature. Psalms 19:1-2

¹The <u>heavens declare the</u> <u>glory of God</u>; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.



We can enjoy in nature the love and amazing care of God, A sunny day in the summer, a rainy day during spring, the change of Seasons, all these things remind us that God is good. Is easy in our daily routine, in the pressures of the day to lose sight of the beauty of Nature.

The Gap between private and public life.

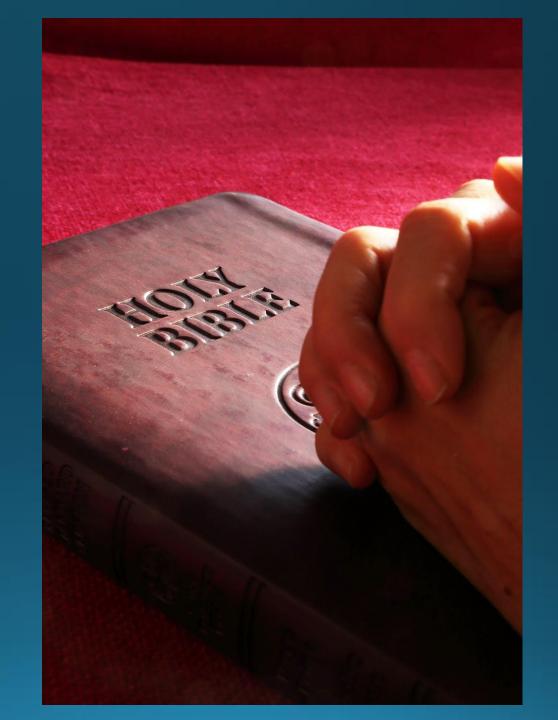


3. We can taste and sense the goodness of God with our body senses.

When we used our voice in a hymn, or when we kneel to pray. Perhaps you have a prayer journal or write the promises of God.

All these experiences will give you the strength to cope with the changes and challenges in your day.

How is your prayer experience?



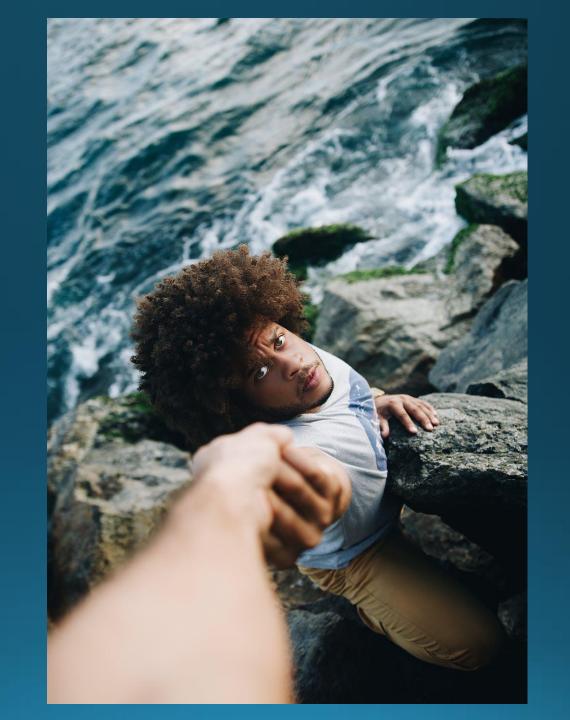
4. We need to taste in a daily experience, we can't survive in the past experiences. Remember Thanksgiving dinner?

The pious rehash.



5. We taste God, in the joy of service. "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Pet. 4:10

Do you feel angry, unhappy for no reason?



6. We taste the goodness of God, with the *power of the Holy Spirit*

17 "Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. *Nothing is too hard for you*.

Jeremiah 2:17

What is your power level?



7. We can taste God, when we rely complete In His promises.

⁹ Fear (honor-remain loyal) the Lord, you His holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing. ¹⁰ The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.

Psalm 34:9-10

