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Isaiah 65: 1 *"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me; I was found by those who did not seek me."*

Romans 3: 28 *"For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law."*

In order for man to seek God in earnest and to ask for him in truth, it is necessary:

not that man do it in a particular 'religious' fashion, because the truth which Israel's history turned up is that natural man does not ask for God nor seek him, quite the opposite;

nor, therefore, that God just accommodate himself to human seeking as if that was basically on the right track;

but this, that God overcomes in man that which is inimical to him – does "not ask for him" and does "not seek him".

That is why seeking God starts here: *"God was in Christ and reconciled the world to himself."* And why Jesus points out: *"No one comes to the Father except through me."* Because we don't come to him except he come to us. In Christ God removes the separation; and when we seek God in Christ, we shall not fail to find him.