

1 Corinthians 13:12 For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

βλέπομεν γὰρ ἄρτι δι' ἐσόπτρου ἐν αἰνίγματι, τότε δὲ πρόσωπον πρὸς πρόσωπον· ἄρτι γινώσκω ἐκ μέρους, τότε δὲ ἐπιγνώσομαι καθὼς καὶ ἐπεγνώσθη.

KJV	Grk Txt	Grk #	Heb #	Meaning (Gesenius)
we see	βλέπομεν	991		הִבִּיט (hi-bit) [hiphil] To look, to behold. Isa. 42:18, "look that ye may see." To look at. Figuratively – to regard anything, to have respect to anything. To see, to behold.
For	γὰρ	1063	3588	כִּי (ki) for, because
now	ἄρτι	737	-----	now
through	δι'	1223	-----	through
a glass	ἐσόπτρου	2072	-----	glass
	ἐν	1722	-----	
darkly	αἰνίγματι	135	2420	חִידָה (khi-dah) something twisted, involved; whence – subtlety, fraud, a difficult sentence, an enigma. Root חָוַד (khud)/2330 to tie knots, an enigma; a parable.
then	τότε	5119	-----	then
but	δὲ	1161	-----	but
face	πρόσωπον	4383	6440	פָּנִים (pa-nim) The face, properly, the part turned towards anyone.
to	πρὸς	4314	-----	אֶל (el) to, toward
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I know	γινώσκω	1097	3045	יָדַע (ya-da) To see; and hence, to perceive, to acquire knowledge, to know, to be acquainted. The signification both of seeing and knowing. To know, to perceive, to be aware of; by the touch, often by the mind, and hence to understand. To get to know, to discover, whether by seeing, or by hearing, to know by experience, to experience. To know, to become acquainted with anyone. Often used of a man knowing a woman. To know, to be acquainted with anyone, to know by name, to know face to face. To turn the mind to something, to care for, to see about.
in	ἐκ	1537	-----	in
part	μέρους	3313	7118	קֶצֶת (qa-tzat) end, a part. It indicates a share or part of a larger whole. Dan 2:42, "(a part) of the whole of the kingdom," i.e. a part of the kingdom.
then	τότε	5119	-----	then
but	δὲ	1161	-----	but
shall I know	ἐπιγνώσομαι	1921	3045	יָדַע (ya-da) To see; and hence, to perceive, to acquire knowledge, to know, to be acquainted. The signification both of seeing and knowing. To know, to perceive, to be aware of; by the touch, often by the mind, and hence to understand. To get to know, to discover, whether by seeing, or by hearing, to know by experience, to experience. To know, to become acquainted with anyone. Often used of a man knowing a woman. To know, to be acquainted with anyone, to know by name, to know face to face. To turn the mind to something, to care for, to see about.

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even as	καθὼς	2531	-----	even as
also	καὶ	2532	-----	(?) and
I am known	ἐπεγνώσθην	1921	3045	עֵדָא (ya-da) To see; and hence, to perceive, to acquire knowledge, to know, to be acquainted. The signification both of seeing and knowing. To know, to perceive, to be aware of; by the touch, often by the mind, and hence to understand. To get to know, to discover, whether by seeing, or by hearing, to know by experience, to experience. To know, to become acquainted with anyone. Often used of a man knowing a woman. To know, to be acquainted with anyone, to know by name, to know face to face. To turn the mind to something, to care for, to see about.

TRANSLATION

For now we see through a glass, difficult and involved; a riddle, a mystery, a puzzle, an enigma; but then face turned to face: but right now I see, perceive, acquire knowledge and am acquainted by touch, by sight and by hearing; I understand through discovery and experience, only a small piece of the whole; but then I will see, perceive, acquire knowledge and will be acquainted by touch, by sight and by hearing; I will understand through discovery and experience to the degree that I am already seen and perceived, already touched and heard; already discovered and experienced.

NOTE: What we know right now about life and God is something like what we knew about life as children. The older we get the more we realize how little we knew in our youth.

When we get to Heaven, when we live in the presence of the Almighty God we will look back on all the knowledge of the world we know now as the things of young children.

NOTE: This passage is not referring to our ability to understand the scriptures. The scriptures were given to us so we could know and understand a small piece of the whole.