



GOING DEEPER

PURSUING GOD'S PRESENCE

GOD'S PRESENCE?

Omnipresence

Manifest Presence

“He is manifest only when and as we are aware of His presence.” – A.W. Tozer

ARE YOU PURSUING MORE OF GOD?

“If you’re satisfied with your current spiritual situation, you’re setting the boundaries of what you’ll experience of Him.” -Richard Blackaby

To Experience more of God's Presence in our lives, we have to PURSUE HIM!

WHO PURSUED GOD'S PRESENCE?

Moses: "If your presence will not go with me..." Ex 33:15

David: "In your presence is fullness of joy" Psa 16:11

"Cast me not away from your presence..." Psa 51:11

Paul: "Christ in you, the hope of glory" Col 1:27

What about you?

WHO OR WHAT DO YOU LOVE?

To Experience More of God's Presence We Must Increase Our Longing.

“If you understood who God was, and how much you meant to Him, nothing would keep you from pursuing Him with all your heart.” – Rob Reimer, *Pathways to the King*

WHO OR WHAT DO YOU LOVE?

Psalm 63:1 (ESV) O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Mark 12:29–31 (ESV) ²⁹ Jesus answered, “The most important is, ‘Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.’ ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ ³¹ The second is this: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”

WHO OR WHAT DO YOU LOVE?

Rev 2:4-5 ⁴ But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. ⁵ Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

Duty vs Devotion

A Call to Repentance

ARE WE AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE?

1 Thess 5:16–18 (ESV) ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ **pray without ceasing**, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

To Experience God's Presence, we need to Cultivate an Awareness of His Presence.

CULTIVATING AN AWARENESS OF GOD

Sacrifice/Investments

Centering Prayer-Breath Prayer

Ten Minute Retreats