

**ENCOUNTERING
THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

1.

SOME PEOPLE WANT TO GET THEIR ACT
TOGETHER AND THEN DELIGHT IN GOD
COMPLETELY.

BUT AS WE DELIGHT IN GOD COMPLETELY, HE
WILL GET OUR ACT TOGETHER

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PS 37:4

DELIGHT YOURSELF IN THE LORD AND HE WILL
GIVE YOU THE DESIRES OF YOUR HEART

THE DESIRES OF MY HEART ARE DIFFERENT IN
GOD'S PRESENCE THAT THEY ARE OUTSIDE OF
GOD'S PRESENCE

2.

WHEN GOD FINDS A PEOPLE THAT WILL STAND BEFORE HIM AND WILL HONOUR HIM WITH ALL THEIR MIGHT AND STRENGTH AND WHO VALUE HIS PRESENCE. IT IS IN THOSE MOMENTS THAT WE WILL BECOME MOST LIKE HIM. WE BECOME LIKE THE THING / PERSON WE WORSHIP.

3.

WHEN IT IS GOD – IT IS MORE THAN OUR DETERMINATION TO BE DIFFERENT – BUT IT IS THE IMPACT OF HIS ACTUAL PRSENCE THAT CHANGES, PERMEATES OUR BEING AND WE FIND OURSELVES THINKING DIFFERENTLY, VALUEING THINGS DIFFERENTLY, RESPONDING TO PROBLEMS AND TEMPTATIONS DIFFERENTLY.

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2 COR 3:17,18

NOW THE LORD IS THE SPIRIT AND WHERE THE
SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS THERE IS FREEDOM.

WE WHO WITH UNVEILED FACES ALL REFLECT
THE LORD'S GLORY, ARE BEING
TRANSFORMED INTO HIS LIKENESS WITH
EVER-INCREASING GLORY, WHICH COMES
FROM THE LORD WHO IS THE SPIRIT

4.

IN THE GLORY OF GOD, THINGS ARE DIFFERENT

5.

WE ARE A CHOSEN PEOPLE, A ROYAL
PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE
BELONGING TO GOD (*WHY*) THAT WE MAY
DECLARE HIS PRAISES (1 PETER 2:9)

6.

WHEN GOD COMES, AS WE ARE ALL UNIQUE
AND WE RESPOND TO HIM IN DIFFERENT
WAYS, HE COMES UPON US DIFFERENTLY AND
UNIQUELY

(PS 37:4 – DELIGHT YOURSELF IN THE LORD)

PRACTICAL TOOLS

- COME HUNGRY – NO NEED TO STRIVE.
- FOCUS ON WHAT WHAT GOD IS DOING, NOT ON WHAT HE ISN'T OR WHAT YOU THINK HE SHOULD BE DOING.
 - HEARING GOD
 - FEELING GOD'S LOVE, HIS PEACE, HEALING, TOUCH
 - CREATIVE THOUGHT / INSPIRED THOUGHT
 - SCRIPTURE
- REST IN HIS PRESENCE UNTIL THE 'ENCOUNTER' WITH GOD COMES.
- ENGAGE YOUR MIND.
- JOURNAL YOUR EXPERIENCES / THOUGHTS.
- FOCUS ON GOD'S GOODNESS, HIS WORTH, HIS LOVE.