

“The Power of Intimacy with Christ”

Bible Study Handout

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God desire to have intimacy relationship with you and that we would know him through intimate conversations and a whole life engagement of a fellowship with him that is grounded in an honest and open-hearted relationship. Learning to live in God is more than going to Church, worship experience or joining a Church. It is an intentional pursuit of God from an authentic heart of passion to know God and live in relationship with him.

This relationship of intimacy with Christ is to fuel our very existence, relationships, interactions and our involvement with our world. He wants to use your witness of his activity and power in your life to reveal his presence, so men and women and children will come to him for love, life and ministry. It is in the day to day interaction in relationship with Christ that we find the resources for living a power-filled God-life. A lack of intimacy with Christ reduces the believer's experience in God to live beneath their privilege and possibly hinders their understanding of who God is and wants to be in their life.

God manifests himself in circumstances and stimulates partnership with us through our intimacy with him. When we live in intimacy with him, we learn spiritual coping skills to survive the bends and turns in life that cause pause or a break in our faith. These spiritual life skills are learned in Bible reading, prayer, and intimate relationship with Christ where we are moved to listen, learn and obey his will. We learn how to walk effectively in God through this quality time spent with God¹ for empowering our lives, families and communities.

Please answer each question below and reflect on it all week for discerning where you are in God's call for you to have intimate relationship with him.

1. Why is it important for believers to have intimacy with Christ?
2. What is Intimacy with Christ?
3. How do you know intimacy with Christ is possible for human beings?
4. How do you form an intimate relationship with Christ?
5. What are the benefits of an intimate relationship with Christ?
6. How do I regain intimacy if I lost it?

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