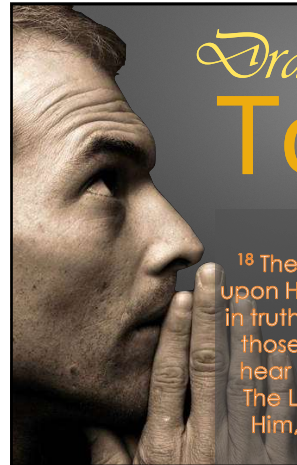


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Ps. 145:18
Ps. 73:28
Heb. 10:19-25
Jas. 4:7-10



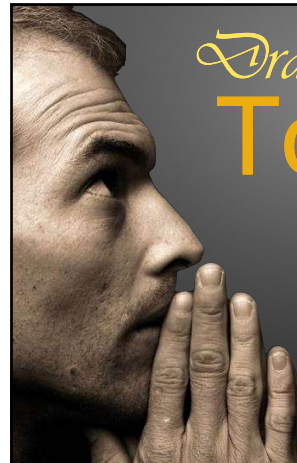
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Ps. 145:18-20
¹⁸ The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, To all who call upon Him in truth. ¹⁹ He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them. ²⁰ The Lord preserves all who love Him, But all the wicked He will destroy.




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Am I Drawing Closer To God Each Day?



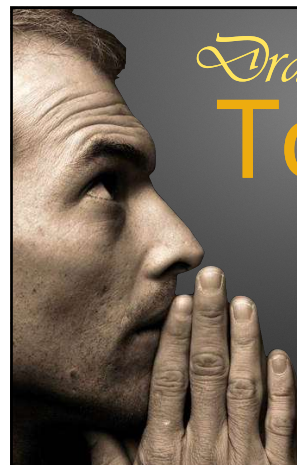
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- Must be something we diligently strive for



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There Is A Difference Between "Knowing About God" And "Knowing God"



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To God

Ps. 73:28
²⁸ But it is good for me to draw near to God; I have put my trust in the Lord God, That I may declare all Your works.

Drawing Nearer To God

Those Who Are Not Near to God

They are not in trouble as other men, Nor are they plagued like other men.


These are the ungodly, Who are always at ease; They increase in riches.

- The boastful / prideful – **Ps. 73:3**
- Prosperity means nothing – **Ps. 73:7,12**
- Sin does NOT trouble their conscience – **Ps. 73:4**
- Seemingly have less trouble in life – **Ps. 73:5**

Drawing Nearer To God

Those Who Are Not Near to God

Behold, these are the ungodly, Who are always at ease; They increase in riches.



Psalm 73

- Scoff and speak wickedness – **Ps. 73:8**
- Join with others who sin – **Ps. 73:10**
- Lack respect – **Ps. 73:11**
- At ease – **Ps. 73:12**

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Those Who Draw Near to God

When I thought how to understand this, It was too painful for me— Until I went into the sanctuary of God; Then I understood their end... You cast them down to destruction... They are utterly consumed with terrors. 27 Those who are far from You shall perish.

Psalm 73


- Cleanse their heart – **Ps. 73:13**
- Wash their hands – **Ps. 73:13**
- Suffer Hardship – **Ps. 73:14**
- Are concerned about influence on others – **Ps. 73:15; Matt 5:13-16**
- Understand the end of the wicked – **Ps. 73:16-19, 27**

Drawing Nearer To God

Those Who Draw Near to God

I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, That I may declare all Your works.

YOUR WORKS.



Psalm 73

- Trusts in God – **Ps. 73:28**
- Follows God's Word – **Ps. 73:24**
- Desires God above everyone & everything else – **Ps. 73:25**
- Doesn't trust in self – **Ps. 73:26**
- Tells others of God – **Ps. 73:28**

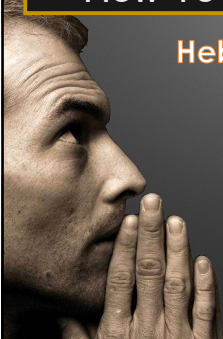
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Heb. 10:19-25

¹⁹ Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, ²¹ and having a High Priest over the house of God, ²² **let us draw near** with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, ²⁵ not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

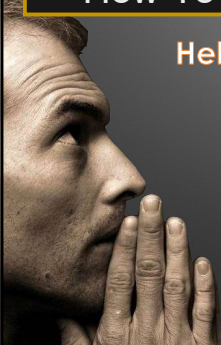
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How To Draw Near to God



Hebrews 10:19-25

- Knowing we can through Christ – **Heb. 10:19-21**
- A true heart – **Heb. 10:22**
- Full assurance of faith – **Heb. 10:22**
- Obey the gospel – **Heb. 10:22**



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How To Draw Near to God


Hebrews 10:19-25

- Holding fast the confession of our hope – **Heb. 10:23**
- Attendance and participation – **Heb. 10:25**
- Encouraging one another – **Heb. 10:25**

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James 4:7-10

⁷ Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. ⁸ **Draw near to God** and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

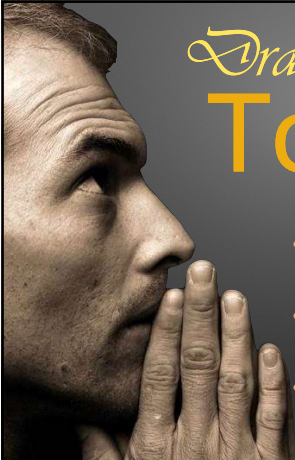


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How To Draw Near to God

James 4:7-10


- Submit To God – **v. 7**
- Resisting the devil – **v. 7**
- Cleanse our hands – **v. 8**
- Purify our hearts – **v. 8**
- Repent & humble ourselves – **v. 9-10**



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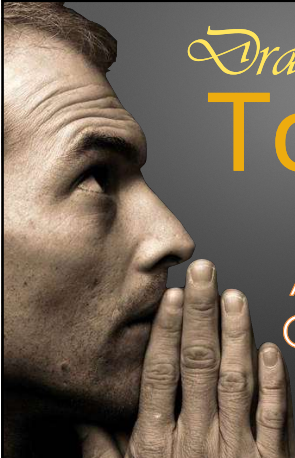


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Am I coming humbly, obeying God's will - completely surrendering my will to His?

Is there any sin in my life I need to deal with?



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Hear	John 12:48
Believe	John 8:24
Repent	Luke 13:3
Confess	Matt. 10:32
Baptized	Mark 16:16
Faithful	Matt. 24:13