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CONNECT WITH GOD THROUGH

CONVERSATION

You connect with God through conversation. It is easy to hear God when you are in His presence. When you ask Him questions, He speaks to you. When you have to make decisions (big or small), ask the Holy Spirit what you should do. When you have questions about what you are reading in Scripture, ask Jesus to show you what He means. When you need to be reminded of your identity, ask the Father what He says over you. Talk to Him about how you feel, what you are thinking about, things that are concerning you or challenging you. Ask Him for wisdom. There is nothing too small or too big to talk to the Lord about. Conversing with the Lord is wanting God to be involved in every aspect of your life. You desire to know what is on His heart and His mind. Inquiring with God brings you into His Presence. He delights in your questions. "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). When He speaks to you, respond. Ask Him to teach you. ASK THE HOLY SPIRIT THESE QUESTIONS:

- · What do You want to teach me today?
- Who do You say I am?
- · What is on Your heart and on Your mind?
- · What are Your promises over my life?

SUGGESTED ACTIVITES

- Make a list of questions or topics to talk to God about. Ask Him out loud!
- Invite the Holy Spirit into every aspect of your life.
- Ask God what His thoughts are about your job, your family, your calling, the burdens you feel, your city, etc.
- Continue the dialogue with the Holy Spirit when He speaks to you.
- When something is overwhelming you, talk to the Lord about it. You can enter into freedom by talking to the Lord and releasing what is burdening you.
- Ask the Holy Spirit, "What are you teaching me?" When you hear Him, decide to obey whatever He says.
- Acknowledge God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit separately.
- Journal your conversations with God, either physically or digitally.
- As you grow in hearing God, find people to share your conversations with. Share what you hear God speaking with your family, friends, leaders and mentors.

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 3, 1 Samuel 3, Psalm 27:4, Psalm 29, Psalm 46, Psalm 116, Job, John 10, 1 Corinthians 2:12, Philippians 4:6-7 James 1

- Is there anything preventing me from receiving from You fully?
- Am I in Your perfect will? Is there anything that I am doing that I should not be doing anymore? Is there anything that I am not doing that I should be?

ENCOURAGEMENT

Daily conversations are the foundation of a good relationship. When you connect with God, you are entering into a two-way conversation. You are not just telling the Lord what is on your mind, but you are hearing what is on His. Don't get frustrated if you don't hear right away. Keep asking Him questions. God delights in your questions. You can ask Him anything! There is nothing too big or too small to ask Him. God may speak to you through a thought, Scripture, visions or dreams. Remember, God's answers will never contradict what His Word says in Scripture. Continue your conversations by reading what His Word says. While conversation with God is impactful, make sure this is not the only thing you do to connect with God. Set aside intentional time to pray, worship, and read your Bible.

BOOKS

- Good Morning Holy Spirit by Benny Hinn
- · Pleasure of His Company by Dutch Sheets
- · Walking with God by John Eldridge
- · Hearing God by Nathan Finochio

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