

Being With God.

1 John 5:20

We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

**John 14:9**

Jesus replied, "Philip, I have been with you all this time, and still, you do not know Me? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

How do we do it? How do we have a deep authentic relationship with God?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ is key.

He says he is always with me, but am I always with him?

2. Know the \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 4:11-12

Let us, therefore, make every effort to enter that rest, so that no one will fall by following the same pattern of disobedience. **12**For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it pierces even to dividing soul and spirit, joints, and marrow. It judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

Pray about what he hasn't spoken about and do what he has.

3. Give Him \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalms 71:8

My mouth is filled with your praise, and with your glory all the day.

John 4:21-24

Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

God is seeking \_\_\_\_\_ worshipers.

4. \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Kings 19:11-13

<sup>11</sup> Then He said, “Go out, and stand on the mountain before the Lord.” And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the Lord, *but* the Lord *was* not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, *but* the Lord *was* not in the earthquake; <sup>12</sup> and after the earthquake a fire, *but* the Lord *was* not in the fire; and after the fire <sup>[a]</sup> a still small voice.

<sup>13</sup> So it was, when Elijah heard *it*, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the cave. Suddenly a voice *came* to him, and said, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

I wonder how many of us are simply not silent enough for long enough to hear the voice of God.

Have you become distracted?

Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup> As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. <sup>39</sup> She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what he said. <sup>40</sup> But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, “Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!”

<sup>41</sup> “Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, <sup>42</sup> but few things are needed—or indeed only one. <sup>[a]</sup> Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”