Building Your Relationship With God

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Topic:
BUILDING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

Bible Text: James 4:8

Prayer

Heavenly Father, we come before Your throne and we thank You for the gift of life, help us to understand Your word as we study this hour in Jesus mighty name we pray. Amen.

Bible Text

James 4:8 AMP "Come close to God [with a contrite heart] and He will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; and purify your [unfaithful] hearts, you double-minded [people]."

Study

When man fell, He lost His intimate relationship with God and ever since, God had been looking for ways to restore His relationship with man. Then, He found one, which is creating a ladder/an access between Him and man which He did by sending Jesus Christ to be an intermediary. God seeks that we move so close to Him so that He can also draw near to us. The truth is, being used by God is not about God but YOU. The level at which you get close to God is dependent on you and not God, because God says that when you draw near to Him, He will draw near to you. And, God's word does not lie, so if He said so, it is definitely so.

Imagine the love that exists between two couples and how they treat themselves. How they love to hear each other's voice every now and then, how they love to speak to themselves about what is going on in their lives and how they love to do things pleasing

to their respective partners. That is the exact way and more that God wants us to relate with Him. He wants us to build our relationship with Him and be very close to Him as He has a lot in store for us. Let's now move to our text.

James 4:8:

"Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded."

Please, stay focused and don't be distracted.

In our text, it talks about drawing nigh to God first before He then draws nigh to you. It also talks about being purified and this shows that for us to draw nigh to God, all these must be in place. Many have started a relationship with God with the fact that they have accepted Christ into their lives and have started the Christian race, but they don't know how to keep sustaining that relationship. Therefore, I will use the case study of a romantic relationship to explain some things and you will understand so well how our relationship with God should be.

The factors any healthy relationship should have.

1. **Time/attention factor:**

If you are in a relationship and you find it hard to give it your time, the relationship will crumble in no time. Time/attention is a very crucial factor in a relationship. Any husband who refuses to spare his time with his wife will later have himself blamed because the woman might be forced to look outside for someone who has her time. Same goes to your relationship with God. We must give God our time and attention. We must be able to spare a few hours with God in our secret places and feel His presence. We must give Him the time to speak and also take time to hear Him. Anyone who refuses to give God his time will find it difficult to host the power of God.

2. **Giving factor:**

In any romantic relationship, the husband/wife must be ready to give either their resources or anything they can offer. Someone who is in a relationship and finds it hard to give anything to the betterment of the relationship is more of a liability. Most especially men, they must be ready to give in the monetary aspect and even other aspects and the women too should not be left behind in this. Same goes for having a relationship with God. Your resources are not necessarily yours because God can lead you to give it to someone really in need. You are to give to the work of God monetarily and in any area you can. Any resources you have is for God and the propagation of His work and not necessarily yours.

3. **Communication factor:**

One of the pillars that holds and sustains any kind of relationship is communication. When communication begins to fade or reduce, the bond begins to break gradually and might eventually sink. Just the way your partner will always get angry when you do not speak to him/her in a day, that's the same way God feels unhappy when we refuse to have our quiet time everyday. We should always ensure that our communication with God is intact, that we hear from Him and we speak to Him.

One major mistake we make when praying is not waiting to hear from God. How would you feel if someone speaks to you for an hour and doesn't allow you to say anything and leaves that way? That's exactly how many of us have been treating God. We should not rush out of prayer but always wait for Him to speak to us. Communication should be dialogue not monologue. God desires that we communicate with Him daily through prayer and He wants to speak to us daily too through His word.

4. **Obedience factor:**

Nobody would wish to marry someone who does not like to hear him or her out. You wouldn't like to marry someone who wouldn't always want to do your wish but to go against it. This is also what we are to determine during our relationship with God. We are to always obey and do His will so that we keep sustaining our relationship with Him.

5. **Doing what He/she loves:**

One of the things that keep a relationship going well is doing what your partner loves. That way, it strengthens the bond and love between the two of you. This is also what God wants, He wants you to do what He likes and loves. When you do the mind of the father, He is always happy and He backs you up. The relationship between God and anybody who does what He loves is always strengthened. This is why the bible says that, **"If ye love me, you will keep my commandments"** which means one of the things God loves is when you keep His commandments. Do this and see your relationship with him much more strengthened and rooted. And, lastly,

6. **Seeking advices:**

People in relationships always love it when their partners seek their advice on issues they are passing through. It makes them look important and relevant. Same way God loves it when you seek His opinion before taking steps. He loves it when you do not do things on your own accord but on His. This will make the bond between the both of you strengthened.

In order to build a very strong relationship with God, we should try these as it would make Him move closer to us more because it will show our desire and seriousness in drawing nigh to Him. Therefore, let's check ourselves if we are not lagging in any of these and if we are adventurous, we should try correcting

ourselves and doing the right thing. May the Lord help us in Jesus Christ name, amen.

Invitation

If you know that you are still living in sin and you are ready to repent and begin to live your life in strict obedience to God so that you can overcome every sin in your life to make heaven, please place your right hand on your chest and say this prayer with your mouth.

Say,

"Lord Jesus, I accept You as my personal Lord and Savior. I believe that You died for me and took away my sins so that I will not face the penalty of them. I surrender my life to You today, and I make a decision to obey and follow You. Come into my life now and accept me as Your child. Thank You for saving me, in Jesus Christ's name I pray, Amen."

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