



Encountering God's Presence

One of the great privileges of being a part of God's family is the opportunity to enjoy God's presence. God takes the initiative to seek us out, but He also desires that we seek Him. Experiencing intimacy with Him will change the way we live.

I. God invites us into His presence.

Psalm 27:8

Song of Solomon 1:4

Psalm 65:4

Song of Solomon 2:10

Hosea 2:14

Jeremiah 31:20

II. God prepares us for His presence.

Exodus 19:9-17

Exodus 19:21-22

Isaiah 6

Ex 33:12-23

III. God relates to us uniquely.

1 Kings 19:9-18

IV. God's invites a response.

Psalm 27:8

Psalm 27:4

Psalm 63:1

Psalm 38:9-10

Psalm 62:8



I Wait for Thee

Behold, with great love have I chosen thee and made thee Mine, saith the Lord. Yea, My heart is drawn out toward thee, and I would minister to thee.

I wait for thee to turn from everything else to Me alone. I want you to give Me all of yourself. I want the real you. The more you can bring to Me of your true self, the more I can give to you of My true self.

If ye come to Me with any kind of cloak over your soul, just to this extent ye hinder Me from fully opening My heart to you. I am neither disturbed by imperfections nor impressed with piety. People look upon the outward, but I am only concerned with the heart; for I know that whenever I can occupy the heart, all will be working toward perfection in the outer man. (*Come Away, My Beloved*, p 177)

Cause Me to Hear

--Amy Carmichael

O Thou that dwellest in the gardens,
As Thy companions hearken to Thy voice,
Love of my love,
May I not hear it there?
Cause me to hear it there.

Cause me to hear, for it is life to me;
I perish when I am away from Thee!
Love of my love,
Tell me, where walkest Thou?
I would be with Thee now.

Let me be Thy companion, even I,
For whom Thou once didst in a garden lie;
Love of my love,
Than all my dear, more dear,
Tell me, may I draw near?

I may, I may! Thou callest me to come.
O Dweller in the gardens, this is home!
Love of my love,
Dear Lord, what would I more
But listen, serve, adore?