



PART 2: PRESENCE

KEY SCRIPTURE

Acts 17:25

Leviticus 26:12

John 1:14

Matthew 27:46

Genesis 12:7

Exodus 40:38

Philippians 2:8

John 14:16-17

Genesis 17:7

1 Kings 8:10-11

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you ever feel lonely?
2. God wants to be with us. His desire to be with us is woven throughout the Bible. Read Genesis 26:3, Leviticus 26:12, Joshua 1:5, Judges 6:16, 1 Kings 11:38, and Isaiah 43:2. What stands out to you in these verses?
3. Read Acts 17:25. If God has no needs this means he doesn't need anything from us. How is this truth about God different from what you may have thought about God in the past? What difference does this make for you personally?
4. Our sin is what separates us from God's presence. What sin is standing between you and God right now?
5. It's because our sin separates us from God and because God wants to be with us that God came as a human (Jesus) to experience the punishment we deserve and the abandonment we deserve (Matthew 27:46). Have you accepted the forgiveness for your sin that is only available because of Jesus?
6. Everybody who has accepted the forgiveness that God offers through Jesus has the Holy Spirit living in them, but we have to learn to practice the presence of God. What step will you take this week to practice the presence of God every day?

Application Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank you for enduring the cross so that I never have to be alone. I choose to prioritize time in your presence each day. I want to live in your presence...I surrender to live in your presence.