

KINGDOM LIVING

DISCOVERING INTIMACY WITH
JESUS CHRIST

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE(S)

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. – Colossians 1:27

WARRIOR TOOL

Intimacy with Jesus opens up our lives to hope, healing, provision, purpose, identity and finally wholehearted living!

PRACTICE

Intimacy is developed through a commitment of our time and efforts. Spending time alone with Jesus is how we develop intimacy. This warrior tool is gained through a consistent daily commitment to read the Word and pray.

INTIMACY WITH JESUS

WHAT ARE SOME OF THE ASPECTS OF THE PERSON OF JESUS THAT YOU KNOW AND IDENTIFY WITH?

In the video, I identify some of the aspects of Christ. For example, He is the good shepherd and our Savior. Write down the different ways you relate to Jesus.

WHEN, HOW, AND/OR WHAT DRAWS YOU CLOSER TO JESUS?

WHAT KEEPS YOU FROM DEVELOPING GREATER INTIMACY WITH CHRIST?

Take time to explore what destroys your efforts toward time alone with Christ. Consider that you may have unhealed areas of your soul, have an ongoing sin issue that detracts, or demonic oppression that keeps you from intimacy. Seek out help if you believe you are struggling with any of these. Or is it a matter of priority, readjusting time commitments, etc.

TRUTH

Jesus isn't a demanding Lord. He waits for us gently and draws us in with loving kindness. He never expects perfection, it's the effort that truly matters in His eyes. Spending time with Jesus opens us up to encounter. An encounter realigns our heart and life with truth and freedom.

Learning to live abiding in Christ is living in the glory zone.

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Look up:

John 17:23 How are you identified in this verse?

How does this truth affect your heart?

Look up John 15:1-17. Journal with Jesus and ask for greater revelation of this passage. (write in your journal)

RECOGNIZE THE LIES

Toss out the beliefs that Jesus is uninterested. Cast away all unworthiness, rejection, Orphan Spirit, and religious spirits. Take in the deep and life-changing truth that Jesus loves you and desires to speak with you and to reveal the Kingdom to you, and point you toward the Father every day.

Sometimes it merely takes a single decision. **I will make time to read and pray.** And this decision is immediately rewarded. Take time to know the Jesus that smiles and laughs. Get to know the healer and the provider. Come to know Jesus as The Bridegroom Prince.

These revelations create intimacy and lead to the wholehearted life!

ACTIVATION

Take out your journal. Ask Jesus questions. Sit in a quiet room. Write the question down and then wait and listen. What you hear quickly is typically from His heart. If you wait too long, your brain or soul will kick in providing a distorted reply. Jesus is eager to answer. His voice is always kind, encouraging and filled with helpful truth. Listen to that voice.

Q: Jesus, what do you think about me?

Q: Jesus, how have I shown love to you recently?

Q: Jesus, where are you working in my faith-life right now?

Q: Jesus, what are your plans for me today? Next week? Next year?

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Q: Jesus, how do you help me love my spouse? Children? Family members? Neighbors? Etc.

Q: Jesus, how are you loving me right now?

Q: Jesus, what are you doing today? How can I pray into your will?

Ask questions. Jesus is always available to answer.

Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.— Jeremiah 33:3

