

INTO HIS PRESENCE

PHILIPPIANS 4:8-9

BACKGROUND: The importance of having a special time with the Lord each day cannot be over emphasized, but afterwards, how do you continue to stay in His presence worshipping His throughout the day? This lesson should help to give you answers.

GO WITH REJOICING. The atmosphere that we see in Philippians when being in the Lord's presence appears to always be joyful no matter what the circumstances. Prepare your heart to receive joy from His Word each day as you meet with Him. (**Philippians 4:4, fn 4:4, John 15:11, fn 15:11, I Peter 1:8-9, Nehemiah 8:10, fn 8:9-10, Romans 14:17, fn 14:17-19**) *From Life Application Bible's Megathemes in Philippians, what must you depend on to have joy or rejoice? Why is this important when you meet with your Lord?*

TAKE CARE to use this special time to present your anxieties to your Lord along with thanksgiving. God's Word promises if you do this, you will experience His incomprehensible peace, which will guard your heart and your mind in Christ Jesus. (**Philippians 4:6-7, fn 4:6-7, Hebrews 4:14-16, fn 4:16, I Thessalonians 5:16-18, fn 5:16-18**) *What do you need to do to experience the peace of God?*

STAY IN WORSHIP. As you leave your special time with your Lord, remember to train your mind to think of all the things God has revealed to you in His Word and in your life. Think of God's great truths and His Godly virtues. See His hand in His creation and the things that he has enabled man to create. Surround yourself with people that love God and who will help to encourage you to experience the God of Peace in your relationship with Him. (**Philippians 4:8-9, fn 4:8, fn 4:9, Romans 12:1-2, fn 12:1-2, Psalm 141:3-4, fn 141:3-4, Romans 8:5-6, fn 8:5-6**) *When Satan distracts you during your day, which one of the six godly virtues in 4:8 could help you in worship? How could this happen?*

Are you taking time to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit with the Living Word teaching you and giving you His joy, His love, and His peace?