

# THE PRESENCE OF GOD

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**GOD WANTS OUR FRIENDSHIP**

**“GOD WANTS TO HANG OUT  
WITH US”**

- **Garden of Eden.**

- “If your presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with us unless you go with us. What else will distinguish us from all the other people?”

( Ex 33 :15)

**Jesus says**

**“Come to me .....and I will make  
you.”**

**(Mark 1:17)**

- Jesus is our model
- He does nothing by Himself.
- His intimate relationship with His Father enabled Him to go and be and do.
- “Unless you abide in me.....
  - You can do nothing”

- Jesus sets us the example.

Would I like my relationship  
with God to be like Jesus'  
relationship with His Father?

# WHAT HAPPENS

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- Our prayers are transformed

• HOW?

- “If we want to share God in the market place we must first have been with Him in the desert”
- Cardinal Basil Hulme

**“Become intimate with Him. As people we are more comfortable celebrating what God has done for us than accepting who he desires to be to us. We will dance before Him, sing of his victories and teach of his mercies, yet rarely do we quiet our hearts and surrender to His presence: we want Him without becoming vulnerable to Him”  
(Francis Frangipane)**