

WHY WE NEED THE PRESENCE OF GOD!

- In last week's lesson, we learned that the presence of God is more than a feeling – it is the manifestation of God's _____ to His people.
- From Genesis to Revelation, scripture testifies that the people of God cannot _____, live in _____ or experience _____ apart from His presence.
- To live without God's presence is to live _____. To live in God's presence is to live in _____.
- Tonight, we will discuss why we desperately need the presence of God in our personal lives, churches, and in the world today.

I. _____ (Psalm 91:1-2)

- The Hebrew word for shadow is *tse/* - _____; it conveys the idea of being _____.
- To dwell in God's presence is to live under His Divine protection. Just as a child feels secure under a parent's _____, so do believers _____ in God's nearness.
- In a world of danger, anxiety, and uncertainty, God presence assures us that we are _____ and are under His _____!
- God's presence does not mean we avoid trials, but that because we have His presence, trials _____.

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II. _____ (Philippians 4:6-7)

- The Hebrew word for peace is *shalom* – _____

- The Greek word for peace is *eirēnē* – _____
_____ that cannot be manufactured by _____. Peace is not the _____,
but the _____; Jesus, the
Prince of Peace stilled storms, not just _____, but also
in the hearts of His disciples.
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- So, when your life feels chaotic, lean into His presence and know that
the _____ you will ever experience is
_____.

III. _____ (Acts 1:8)

- God's presence empowers believers to _____
and to _____.
- The Hebrew word for power is *koach* – _____
_____; The word *koach* is often tied directly to God's
presence _____ what they could not _____.
- _____ → God's presence equals
power.

- In both the Old and New Testaments, the _____
_____ because God was present.
- The Greek word for power is *dunamis* – _____
_____.
- In Acts 1:8, Jesus ties the coming of _____
directly to _____.
The presence of God, through the Holy Spirit _____
with supernatural _____.
- _____
- _____
- **WHAT WE SHOULD KNOW:**
 1. When we _____, His presence _____.
 2. When we _____, His presence
_____.
 3. When we _____, His presences _____.
 4. When we _____, His presence _____.