



God's Desire

NorthRidge Church

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GOD DESIRES:

An up _____ and _____ relationship with you:

- *John 17:3; Matthew 22:37-38; Psalm 46:10; Mathew 11:28; James 4:8; Ephesians 5:18-20*

An _____ relationship:

- He wants to be a part of our daily life, to live moment by moment in connection with Him, and to be aware of His presence throughout the day.

An _____ relationship:

- An eternal life and relationship. He will never leave us nor forsake us.

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Us to live, in _____ way of life (*Romans 6:3-4*).

- To live in the Spirit and not in the flesh, by faith and not by sight.

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Us to _____ His _____ and be at _____. *Hebrews 4:1:*

- We must be careful lest we come short of this.
- Erroring in our hearts (not knowing His ways) and unbelief keeps us from entering His rest and having peace (*Hebrews 3:10*).

Us to "Let His peace _____ in our heart" *Colossians 3:15:*

- It is to guide our thinking, actions, and emotions.
- A loss of peace means our connection with God has been lost.

How is it going to happen? Matthew 11:28—30:

"_____ unto Me." **THIS IS A CHOICE WE MUST MAKE.**

- Live in relationship, a spiritual connection with Him.

"_____ My yoke upon you." **THIS IS A CHOICE WE MUST MAKE.**

- Live as I have lived. My yoke is to do the will of My Father.

"_____ from Me." **THIS IS A CHOICE WE MUST MAKE.**

- I am meek and lowly in heart – Submissive to the Father.
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"I will _____ you rest; you will find it." **IT IS A GIFT.**

- We receive it and find it when we do those three things.
- Rest (abide) in Him and His peace flows into us.

Truth for Life

For the week of June 30, 2019

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

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 - c. Rivers of living water will flow from our inner being.
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Memory Verse

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