

THE PRESENCE OF THE CHRIST

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As a Christian, I long to be in the presence of Christ as he longs for me to be in his presence.

EASTER REFLECTION QUESTION

1. ***The intention: “The LORD used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend.” Exodus 33:11***

If you could meet face to face with God what would you hope to discuss with him?

2. ***The disruption: “The man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God.” Genesis 3:8***

Have you ever tried to dodge God like Adam and Eve did? Why would people hide from God?

3. ***The consequence: “But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God.” Isaiah 59:2***

What are some typical indicators that sin has introduced separation between a) you and God or b) you and other people?

4. ***The intervention: “God with us.” Matthew 1:23***

How has God intervened in your life?

5. *The setback: "He breathed his last." Luke 23:46*

What does Easter tell you about God's ability to incorporate seemingly huge setbacks into his plans?

6. *The victory: "I have seen the Lord." John 20:18*

What gives you confidence in the reality of the resurrection?

7. *The provision: "Lo I am with you." Matthew 28:20*

Who is this promise for? What do Jesus' words here mean in your loneliest moments?

8. *The restoration: "Behold the dwelling place of God is with man." Revelation 21:3*

What do you imagine peace with God will ultimately mean for the you?