Some Things That Help Us To Draw Near To God

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Scripture: Psalms 73:20-28

- 20. As a dream when *one* awaketh; *so*, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.
- 21. Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.
- 22. So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee.
- 23. Nevertheless I am continually with thee: thou hast holden me by my right hand.
- 24. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward receive me to glory.
- 25. Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I desire beside thee.
- 26. My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.
- 27. For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.
- 28. But it is good for me to draw near to God: I have put my trust in the Lord GOD, that I may declare all thy works.

Summary: The Bible says It Is Good to Draw Near To God.

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1. Church attendance helps us to draw near to God.

Hebrews 10:25

25. Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Psalms 122:1

1(A Song of degrees of David.) I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

2. Bible reading and Bible Study helps us to draw near to God.

Psalms 119:105,

105. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

3. Prayer time helps us draw near to God.

Jeremiah 33:3

3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Luke 18:1

1. And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint;

Matthew 6:6

6. But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

4. Trusting the Lord helps us draw near to God.

Proverbs 3:5-6

5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

6 In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Psalms 118:8

8. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

5. Confessing our sins help us to draw near to God.

Psalms 51:1-15

1(To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after he had gone in to Bathsheba.) 1. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

- 2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.

- 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done *this* evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, *and* be clear when thou judgest.
- 5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- 6 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom.
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8 Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken may rejoice.
- 9 Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
- 11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
- 12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.
- 13 *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
- 14 Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation: *and* my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.
- 15 O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

We read how David gets right with God by confessing his sins to God, and by doing so he is drawing nigh to God Amen!!!!

And God is drawing nigh to David.

1st John 1:9

9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

In Closing, Lets read James 4:8

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

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