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“EXPERIENCING GOD”
Recognizing His Presence
MARK 9-13

- *Loneliness*

GENESIS 2:18 *The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone.”*

- *Humans Crave...*

MATTHEW 28:20 *“I am with you always.”*

To Experience God...

- 1. WALK with GOD’S** _____ MARK 9:1-4; JOHN 14:21

To Experience God...

- 2. LISTEN for GOD’S** _____ MARK 9:5-7; JEREMIAH 29:13; JOHN 5:17; PSALM 19:1-4; PSALM 46:10;

To Experience God...

- 3. LOOK for GOD’S** _____ MARK 9:8-10; JOHN 5:17; ROMANS 3:11; JOHN 6:29

To Experience God...

- 4. WALK with GOD’S** _____ MARK 9:11-13; JOHN 16:13; GALATIANS 5:22, 23

Signs of God’s Presence...

- PSALM 68:6; HEBREWS 10:24, 25
- MATTHEW 5:8

LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES
“ENCOUNTERING GOD”
Recognizing His Presence

GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. Sunday’s sermon we talked about how to recognize God’s presence. Was there anything helpful or confusing about this message?
2. Is the presence of God a feeling or a fact? Explain. Why do people depend on a feeling for measuring His presence?
3. What makes it difficult for people to experience or recognize when God is present and at work?
4. In what ways have you seen God work and received encouragement from Him?

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading

- **Read Genesis 15:1-13. What did God promise to Abraham? For how long will his descendants be enslaved in Egypt? Do you think any of those descendants ever experienced God during that time? What work was God doing among His people during those years? Do you think it was hard to wait on seeing God work His plan?**
- **Read 2 Peter 3:8, 9. How are we to handle how long it takes for Jesus to return? What work is God doing among His people until that happens?**
- **Read John 14:21. Jesus said he reveals himself to those who obey Him. In what way have you experienced Him do this after you have obeyed Him?**
- **Read John 3:5-8. What is the work of God’s Spirit? What are characteristics of wind that illustrate how the Holy Spirit works?**
- **Read 1 John 4:1 and Galatians 5:22, 23. What is a good measure for testing if a Spirit of from God?**

LIVING OUT

- **In 2020, can you adjust your spiritual eyesight to clearly see God at His work wherever you go?**