



PRESENCE OF GOD

DAY ONE

SUSAN MACDOUGALL

PERUSE

Romans 8:38-39 (NLT) 38 And I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. 39 No power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

PONDER

1. As you read the verses, record key words and phrases that are meaningful to you.
2. Do you ever think that you aren't good enough for God's love? Reread today's verses. Embrace them and take comfort in the knowledge that you are enough for God just as you are.
3. How is your faith impacted to hear that God loves you this much?

PRAY

Thank you, God, for loving me so very much. Help me to feel totally secure in You, in Your Love for me, and in Your presence in my life as I go throughout my day. Amen.



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Deuteronomy 31:6 (ESV) "Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave or forsake you."

PONDER

1. What is an area in your life where you feel fear or dread?
2. According to this verse why should you be strong and courageous?
3. Put your situation into the verse and repeat it several times to feel its impact.

"Be strong and courageous. Do not fear _____ for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave or forsake you."

PRAY

Father God, thank you for walking with me in everything I face. When I feel discouraged or afraid, remind me that you are in control and won't leave me. In Jesus' Name, Amen



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Isaiah 43:2-3 (NKJV) When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you. For I am the Lord your God, The Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

PONDER

1. Recall a time when you doubted God's presence in a particular circumstance. How was the situation resolved? In hindsight, how was God working on your behalf through it?
2. How do these verses offer you encouragement to trust God during times of trouble?
3. When you find yourself worrying or going through something that seems impossible, visualize God walking beside you, taking your hand, or even carrying you. Allow Him to be your Savior.

PRAY

Thank you, Dear God, for never leaving my side. Help me to trust in you no matter what I face. Amen.



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DAY FOUR

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Psalm 23:4 (NLT) Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.

PONDER

1. What are you most afraid of right now?
2. Take a moment to pray to God about this fear. Picture Him standing close beside you, Mighty and Fearless. Listen for His reassurance.
3. Did you sense God's presence as you prayed? What did God speak to you during this quiet time?

PRAY

God, I love that you are my protector and comforter. Help me to remember that you are close beside me when I feel anxious and afraid. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



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DAY FIVE

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PERUSE

Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV) *18"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age"*

PONDER

1. Write out the reassurance that Jesus gives us in verse 20b.
2. Jesus ascended into heaven and the Holy Spirit came to dwell within all believers. How does it make you feel knowing that you can communicate with God through the Holy Spirit at any time—through a thought, a whisper, or a song of praise?
3. Think of ways that you can remind yourself to rely on the comforting companionship of Jesus throughout your day.

PRAY

Thank you, Jesus, for your sacrifice. I am so grateful to have you with me every moment of every day. Don't let me take this for granted. Amen.