



Draw Near | Part Two

Lesson Three • Hebrews 10:22

Entering into God's Holy Presence Is a Holy Privilege Made Possible by a Holy Provision to Be a Holy Priority!

Through the new and living way of our sinless High Priest, King Jesus, we can boldly enter the Most Holy Place with confidence!

Hebrews 10:19-21; 4:16; 7:19, 25; 11:6; 12:18-24; 9:24-26

Confidence to Enter into God's Holy Presence Is Shown First of All by Taking Bold Action to DRAW NEAR as New Covenant Believer-Priests!

"let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water." Hebrews 10:22

New Covenant Believer-Priests Draw Near with Confident ATTITUDES!

In CHRIST There Is New Covenant Transformation & Purification for the CHURCH Now and for ISRAEL in the Future!

"For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances. You will live in the land that I gave to your forefathers; so you will be My people, and I will be your God." Ezekiel 36:24-28

Three Principles for Taking Bold ACTION to Draw Near!

1. Believer-Priests Take Bold Action for the Right PURPOSE.

- Draw near to **KNOW AND ENJOY** God through intimate worship in His holy presence.

*"Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses **face to face, just as a man speaks to his friend**. When Moses returned to the camp, his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, **would not depart from the tent**." Exodus 33:11*

*"He made **known His ways** to Moses, His acts to the sons of Israel." Psalms 103:7*

- 1) Goal is to **know** Him **AS HE REALLY IS** not as we want Him to be or others say He is.
- 2) Goal is to **know** Him in a **PERSONAL** way and **CONGREGATIONAL** way.
- 3) Goal is to **know** Him through a **VARIETY** of ways of worship.

"Drawing near" covers a wide variety of **reasons...** 7:23-25; 11:6; 4:16; 12:22-29ff.; 7:19-22

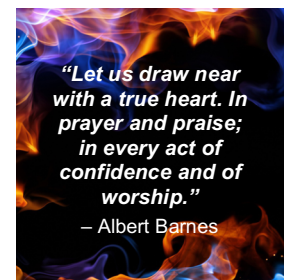
"Drawing near" covers a wide variety of **ways...**

- ↳ By **drawing near** by faith! (10:22)
- ↳ By **holding fast** to hope! (10:23)
- ↳ By **staying close** in love! (10:24-25)
 - ↳ By **living true** with holiness! (10:26-31)
 - ↳ By **pressing on** to the end! (10:32-39)

- Draw near to **PLEASE** God with an obedient faith and a surrendered life.

Hebrews 12:2; 10:4-7, 26-29

- Draw near to **BRIDGE THE GAP** between God and those who don't know Him.



Draw near to...



...and bridge this gap for others as a believer-priest!

2. Believer-Priests Take Bold Action with Two Main PRACTICES.

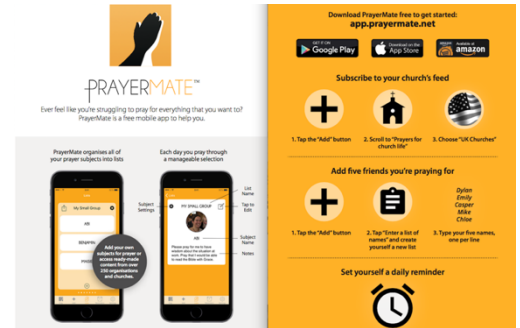
➤ Draw near to **SPEAK** to Him through prayer. *Hebrews 4:16; 7:25*

- 1) **How?** Pray to the Father in the Name of the Son by the power of the Spirit. *Matthew 6:9; Ephesians 5:20; 6:18*
- 2) **When?** Pray without ceasing and a specific **TIMES**. *1Thessalonians 5:17; Matthew 14:23*
- 3) **What?** Pray according to the **PATTERN** Jesus taught His followers. *Matthew 6:9-15*

4) **Yes but How?** Pray using a tool or an **APP**.

PrayerMate App

The Valley of Vision: A Collection of Puritan Prayers

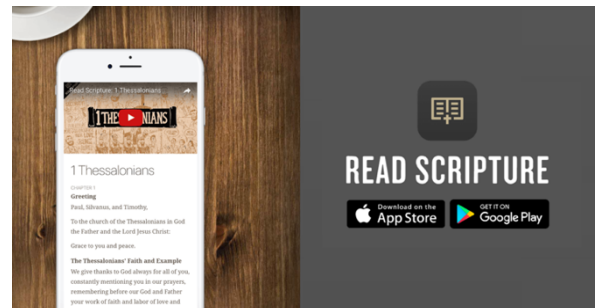


➤ Draw near to **HEAR** from Him through His Word.

Hebrews 1:1-2; 2:1-4; 3:7-8; 4:2, 7, 12-13; 5:11-12

Read Scripture App

- 1) Read and **write** what God is saying to you.
- 2) Read and **pray** what God is saying to you.
- 3) Read and **obey** what God is saying to you.
- 4) Read and **share** what God is saying to you.



3. Believer-Priests Take Bold Action to Make Drawing Near a Habitual Holy PRIORITY.

➤ Bold action is required to make drawing near a holy **HABIT**.

“On the basis of these assurances—that we have boldness to enter because we have a living High Priest—we have an “open invitation” to enter the presence of God. The old covenant high priest visited the Holy of Holies once a year, but we are invited to dwell in the presence of God every moment of each day. What a tremendous privilege!” – Warren Wiersbe

- 1) Have a specific **purpose**. (See the **first principle** for taking bold action!)
- 2) Have a specific **plan**.
- 3) Have a specific **place**.
- 4) Have a specific **partner(s)**.
- 5) Have a specific way to **put things in writing** and **make them permanent**.
- 6) Make a specific commitment to **persevere**.

➤ Bold action is required to make drawing near a holy **PRIORITY**.

*“Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, “Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts...” Hebrews 3:7-8
 “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.” Hebrews 13:8*