

Connections

Keeping in Touch...



*What do you do to stay
connected?*

***Skype? Text? Twitter? E-mail?
Facebook?***

The options are endless!

But how do you connect to God?

The Christian life is the most rewarding experience possible, because it is a relationship with a person, the person of Jesus Christ. But how do you connect with Him each day? We need to have daily communication. Well, He speaks to us from the Bible, and we speak to Him in prayer. So one thing we need to do is have a daily time of Bible reading and prayer. This is often called a Quiet Time.

WHY HAVE A DAILY QUIET TIME?

- **God desires it!** The most exciting opportunity in life is walking with God. That begins by coming to know Jesus through salvation! But God wants us then to grow in our knowledge and love for Him each day. Zephaniah 3:17 says, “God is with you...He takes great delight in you...He rejoices over you!” So spend time with Him for His sake!
- **You get to know Jesus better! It enriches you!** He will use it for cleansing and to guide you every day. It helps in all areas of life. As Jesus says in Luke: 10:38-42, “Only this is needed!”
- **It gives you something to share.** A passage you read may be just what someone else needs. So keep a record of what God shows you. Then as 2 Timothy 2:2 says, “Pass it on!”

HOW TO HAVE A DAILY QUIET TIME

Set aside 10 minutes each day. Put it on your calendar and set a reminder on your smart-phone. Each day:

- First, ask God to speak to your heart.
- Then read a chapter in the Bible (start with John).
- Underline or highlight what stands out to you.
- Go back. Review what you underlined or highlighted.
- Pick one verse and talk with God about it.
- Then go on to pray about other things.
- We encourage you to write a journal entry on it.

Next day, go on to the next chapter...

READ THE BIBLE SEVERAL DAYS THIS WEEK!

Commit to having a quiet time regularly. Start today. First, pray for guidance. Then read a chapter in John and fill out below:

QUIET TIME JOURNAL

Date: _____ **What I read:** _____ **Best Verse(s):** _____

What it said: _____

How it impressed me: _____

My response: _____

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See the studies on this website for further help. - - - - - Ed Blankenship