

## “Intimacy with Jesus”

- I. Why should we love Jesus?
  1. Because He first loved us. **1 John 4:19**  
It is safe to love Him.
  2. Because He has forgiven us. **Luke 7:47**  
He has freed us from guilt & shame. Now we are able to love ourselves and others.
  3. Because if we know the love of Christ, we will be filled with the fullness of God.  
**Ephesians 3:17-19**
- II. How can we have an intimate love relationship with Jesus?
  1. Give Him all of our heart. **Jeremiah 29:11-13**.  
The issue is priority, not perfection.
  2. Trust Him with our entire life.  
**Psalms 18:1&2 Psalms 91:1&2**  
His faithfulness and love provide us with the protection that we need in life.
  3. Practice being in His presence at all times.  
**Psalms 139:7-12, 17&18**  
He is continually with us; when are we going to realize this and start enjoying Him?
  4. Remember to call out to Him when we are in need. **Psalms 116:1&2** The miracles that He has done for us bind our souls together.
  5. When depressed, ask Him to give us the emotional support that we need.  
**Psalms 42:1-11**  
“Those who take Christ at His word, and surrender their souls to His keeping, their lives to His ordering, will find peace and quietude. Nothing of the world can make them sad when Jesus makes them glad by His presence. In perfect acquiescence there is perfect rest.” *Desire of Ages, page 331*
  6. Learn to communicate and share everything with Jesus.  
*“Don’t worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done. If you do this, you will experience God’s peace, which is far more wonderful than the human mind can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.”* **Philippians 4:6&7 NLT**

