

**THE REDEEMED CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF GOD**  
**OPEN HEAVENS ASSEMBLY**  
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**DIGGING DEEP**

**A CLOSER WALK WITH GOD**

**TEXT:** James 4:8; Micah 6:8

**INTRODUCTION**

God created man for the purpose of a walking relationship that involves companionship, dialogue, intimacy, mutual delight and dominion, which is why His everlasting arms of grace have been pulling you into a closer walk with Him. Gen.3:8.

**HOW TO HAVE A CLOSER WALK WITH GOD**

1. **We must die to self.** 1Corinth.15:31, Lk.9:23. We must take up our cross daily, not periodically or when it is convenient and profitable.
2. **Holiness must be our style of living.** Isa.54:14, Heb.1:9, 1Pet.1:15-16. There should be no room for compromise.
3. **Study, meditate & obey His word.** Psa.119:11, Deut.17:19. We must have God's word as our daily guide.
4. **We must be exceptional disciples.** Jn.5:19, Matt.10:24, Phil 2: 5. Our words, character should depict that of Jesus Christ.
5. **Seek and dwell in His presence.** Ex.34:30, this could only have been as a result of deep fellowship with God.
6. **We must offer worthy worship and service.** Our lives must bring glory and honour to God. Matt.22:37-38, Psa. 34: 1-3, Exo. 34: 14

**BLESSINGS OF A CLOSER WALK WITH GOD**

1. Assurance of answers to prayers. Jn.15:16.
2. Divine presence and fellowship. Gen. 5: 21-24, 1 Cor. 1: 9
3. Increase in Godly wisdom and knowledge. Dan.1:17-20, Eccl.8:1
4. Access to classified information from God. Gen.18:17, Matt.16:13-17
5. Assured direction in destiny and purpose. Isa.30:21, Prov.20:24
6. Ability to operate in the supernatural with God's power and grace. Acts 9:36-41, 19:11-12

**CONCLUSION**

In a world filled with uncertainties and pitfalls, our only guarantee to achieving divine destiny is to have a closer, intimate walk with God. What are you waiting for?