

**WHY DON'T I?
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- **IF YOU DON'T ALWAYS _____ GOD'S PRESENCE, YOU'RE NOT _____.**

But I cry to you for help, O Lord; in the morning my prayer comes before you. 14 Why, O Lord, do you reject me and hide your face from me? Psalm 88:13-14

WHY DON'T I ALWAYS FEEL GOD?

- **MAYBE YOU ARE OVER _____ IT.**

So they asked him, "What _____ then will you give that we may _____ and _____? What will you do?" John 6:30

- **MAYBE YOU'RE SIMPLY _____.**

As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. 40 But Martha was _____ by all the preparations that had to be made. Luke 10:38-40

- **MAYBE YOUR HEART HAS _____.**

You will be ever hearing but never understanding; you will be ever seeing but never perceiving. 15 For this people's _____; they hardly hear with their ears, and they have closed their eyes. Matthew 13:14-15

- **MAYBE YOU'VE BUILT A WALL OF _____.**

Listen! The LORD is not too weak to save you, and he is not becoming deaf. He can hear you when you call. 2 But there is a problem — your _____ have _____. Isaiah 59:1-2 NLT96

- **MAYBE YOU DON'T _____ GOD.**

You do not _____, 29 but I _____ because I am from him and he sent me. John 7:28-29

PRESENCE PROMISES

- 1) **YOU WILL _____ GOD WHEN YOU _____ GOD.**

"You will seek me and _____ when you seek me with _____. 14 I will be found by you," declares the LORD... Jeremiah 29:13-14

- 2) **YOU CAN DO _____ WITH GOD'S PRESENCE.**

And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor, who will _____. 17 He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world at large cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you do, because he lives _____ now and later will be _____. John 14:16-17

- 3) **YOU CAN EXPERIENCE GOD _____.**

God did this so that men would _____ and perhaps _____ and _____, though he is _____. Acts 17:27

PRAY & DISCUSS IT

- What is keeping you from always feeling God's presence in your life?
 - Share a time when you felt God's presence in your life. How did that experience affect you?
- What steps will you take to seek God and experience Him now?