

Being Led by an Unseen Hand Have You Prayed About It? Part 4 June 23-24, 2012

Is it possible to enjoy unceasing communion with God?

I. Jesus did.

"The Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise." (John 5:19 NRSV)

"I can do nothing on my own. As I hear, I judge." (John 5:30 NRSV)

"I am in the Father and the Father is in me." (John 14:11 NRSV)

"...predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son.' (Rom. 8:29 NRSV)

II. You can.

A. Vine and branch.

"I am the vine, and you are the branches. If any remain in me and I remain in them, they produce much fruit. But without me they can do nothing.... If you remain in me and follow my teachings, you can ask anything you want, and it will be given to you." (John 15:5, 7 NCV)

B. The temple.

"Don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God?" (1 Cor. 6:19 TEV)

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C. The sheep with the shepherd.

"We are his people, the sheep he tends." (Ps. 100:3)
"Pray without ceasing." (1 Thess. 5:17 KJV)
"Be constant in prayer." (Rom. 12:12 RSV)
"Pray in the Spirit at all times." (Eph. 6:18)
"Continue steadfastly in prayer." (Col. 4:2 RSV)
"In everything ... let your requests be made known to God." (Phil. 4:6 NASB)

Give God your waking thoughts.

"Every morning, I tell you what I need, and I wait for your answer." (Ps. 5:3) *Give God your waiting thoughts.*"Be still, and know that I am God." (Ps. 46:10 NIV) *Give God your whispering thoughts. Give God your waning thoughts.*

"He who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep." (Ps. 121:4 NIV)

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