

## 1 Chronicles 28:9

*As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a loyal heart and with a willing mind; for the LORD searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever.*

Intimacy with God. We all covet and want that “intimate” relationship with God. But if you look at the word “Intimacy” have you really thought about what that means? What if we took that word and broke it into what it really means: “into-me-see”

Wow, when we say we want an intimate relationship with God, we are saying we want Him to see and know the deep dark hidden things inside of us, as well as the deep loving things inside of us.

John who said this about his relationship with Jesus:

† **John 21:20a** *Then Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also had leaned on His breast at the supper.* (Underlined for emphasis)

John said this as well.

† **1 John 4:15 (MSG)** *Everyone who confesses that Jesus is God's Son participates continuously in an intimate relationship with God.*

King David also said:

† **Psalm 139:23-24** *Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxieties; And see if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.*

I don't know about you, but even though I know what “Intimacy” with God really means, I still want it, actually even more, I want God to, “into-me-see” so that He can *lead me in the way everlasting*.

Scary? Sure it is, just like going to the dentist to get your teeth cleaned so they are strong and healthy is scary. Or going to have an operation to remove whatever is causing you pain and destroying your body is scary. But we know when it's all done, the results are good strong healthy teeth and body.

So be intimate with God, so that you can have a strong, healthy relationship with Him.

† **Proverbs 14:30 (NLT)** *A peaceful heart leads to a healthy body; jealousy is like cancer in the bones.*

† **3 John 1:2 (NLT)** *Dear friend, I hope all is well with you and that you are as healthy in body as you are strong in spirit.*