

Draw Nigh to God

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Psalms 145:18 The LORD *is* nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth.

1. When Your Spirit is Contrite

Psalms 34:18 The LORD *is* nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Isaiah 57:15 For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name *is* Holy; I dwell in the high and holy *place*, with him also *that is* of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones.

2. When the Saviour sends Chastisement

Psalms 30:5 For his anger *endureth but* a moment; in his favour *is* life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy *cometh* in the morning.

He chastens us to bring us closer not to drive us away!

Proverbs 3:12 For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son *in whom* he delighteth.

Hebrews 12:6 For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.

3. When Your Sin needs Confessing

James 4:8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse *your* hands, *ye* sinners; and purify *your* hearts, *ye* double minded.

Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will **abundantly pardon**.