

A SERMON SERIES FROM THE PSALMS

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Psalm 15

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- 1. Can anyone draw near to the presence of God?**
- 2. What kind of person can draw near to the presence of God?**
- 3. How can we be the kind of person who can draw near to the presence of God?**
- 4. What benefit do we find in the presence of God?**

Psalm 15(ESV)

¹ O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? ² He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; ³ who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

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Psalm 15(ESV)

**4 in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change;
5 who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent.**
He who does these things shall never be moved.

1. Can anyone draw near to the presence of God?

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Exodus 25:22 (ESV)

**“There I will meet with you, and from above
the mercy seat, from between the two
cherubim that are on the ark of the testimony, I
will speak with you about all that I will give you
in commandment for the people of Israel.”**

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**2. What kind of person can draw
near to the presence of God?**

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3. How can we be the kind of person who can draw near to the presence of God?

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“A word of advice. Would you be holy? Would you become a new creature? Then you must begin with Christ. You will do just nothing at all, and make no progress until you feel your sin and weakness, and flee to Him. He is the *root* and *beginning* of all holiness, and the way to be holy, is to come to Him by faith and

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be joined to Him...Do you want to attain holiness? Do you feel this day a real hearty desire to be holy? Would you be a partaker of the divine nature? Then go to Christ! Wait for nothing. Wait for nobody. Linger not. Do not think to make yourself ready. Go and say to Him, in the words of that beautiful hymn,

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**'Nothing in my hand I bring;
Simply to Your cross I cling;
Naked, flee to You for dress;
Helpless, look to You for grace.'"**

(J. C. Ryle, Holiness, 72-73)

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Hebrews 12:14(ESV)

“Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.”

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Philippians 2:12-13(ESV)

“Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, *work out* your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.”

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4. What benefit do we find in the presence of God?

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Matthew 7:24-27(ESV)

24 “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

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Matthew 7:24-27(ESV)

26 And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. 27 And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

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The righteous one will live in
security in the presence of God

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