



His

Presence

Presence Defined

Hebrew:

Panim: translates to “face”

Greek:

Prosopon: translates to “face”

Enopion: in the presence of

Absence Defined

- 1. The state of being away from a place or person.*
- 2. An occasion of being away from a place or person.*
- 3. The nonexistence or lack of.*

God's Presence is Everywhere

Omnipresent Defined

Rough Definition: The ability to be present everywhere at the same time.

Literal Definition: Means minimally that there is no place to which God's knowledge and power do not extend.

God's Presence is Everywhere

⁷Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? ⁸If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in ^[a]hell, behold, You are there. ⁹If I take the wings of the morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, ¹⁰Even there Your hand shall lead me, And Your right hand shall hold me.

Psalm 139: 7-10 (NKJV)

God's Presence is Everywhere

Manifest Presence Defined

Manifest: Clear or obvious to the eye or mind.

Manifest Presence: Is what believers see and know of Him.

A serene sunset or sunrise over a calm body of water. The sky is a clear, deep blue, transitioning to a lighter, hazy glow near the horizon. The water is dark blue with gentle, rhythmic ripples that catch the light, creating a shimmering effect. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

*If God's absence from your life doesn't bother you, then
His presence in your life never mattered to you.*

The background of the slide is a photograph of a calm body of water, likely the ocean, under a clear sky. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a soft, warm glow that transitions from a pale yellow near the horizon to a clear, light blue at the top. The water's surface is mostly still, with very gentle, rhythmic ripples that catch the light, creating a shimmering effect. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

How God Reveals His Presence

First: God reveals His presence on His terms and His timing.

How God Reveals His Presence

The Lord said to Moses, ² “Speak to the Israelites and get twelve staffs from them, one from the leader of each of their ancestral tribes. Write the name of each man on his staff. ³ On the staff of Levi write Aaron’s name, for there must be one staff for the head of each ancestral tribe. ⁴ Place them in the tent of meeting in front of the ark of the covenant law, where I meet with you. ⁵ The staff belonging to the man I choose will sprout, and I will rid myself of this constant grumbling against you by the Israelites.” ⁶ So Moses spoke to the Israelites, and their leaders gave him twelve staffs, one for the leader of each of their ancestral tribes, and Aaron’s staff was among them. ⁷ Moses placed the staffs before the LORD in the tent of the covenant law.

How God Reveals His Presence

8 The next day Moses entered the tent and saw that Aaron's staff, which represented the tribe of Levi, had not only sprouted but had budded, blossomed and produced almonds. 9 Then Moses brought out all the staffs from the LORD's presence to all the Israelites. They looked at them, and each of the leaders took his own staff. 10 The LORD said to Moses, "Put back Aaron's staff in front of the ark of the covenant law, to be kept as a sign to the rebellious. This will put an end to their grumbling against me, so that they will not die." 11 Moses did just as the LORD commanded him.

Numbers 17:8-10 (NIV)

How God Reveals His Presence

12 But there are some Jews whom you have set over the affairs of the province of Babylon—Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego—who pay no attention to you, Your Majesty. They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold you have set up.” 13 Furious with rage, Nebuchadnezzar summoned Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. So these men were brought before the king, 14 and Nebuchadnezzar said to them, “Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the image of gold I have set up? 15 Now when you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, pipe and all kinds of music, if you are ready to fall down and worship the image I made, very good. But if you do not worship it, you will be thrown immediately into a blazing furnace. Then what god will be able to rescue you from my hand?”

Daniel 3:12-15 (NIV)

How God Reveals His Presence

16 Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, “King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. 17 If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us [c] from Your Majesty’s hand. 18 But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.” 19 Then Nebuchadnezzar was furious with Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, and his attitude toward them changed. He ordered the furnace heated seven times hotter than usual 20 and commanded some of the strongest soldiers in his army to tie up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and throw them into the blazing furnace. 21 So these men, wearing their robes, trousers, turbans and other clothes, were bound and thrown into the blazing furnace. 22 The king’s command was so urgent and the furnace so hot that the flames of the fire killed the soldiers who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego,

How God Reveals His Presence

23 and these three men, firmly tied, fell into the blazing furnace. 24 Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, "Weren't there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?" They replied, "Certainly, Your Majesty." 25 He said, "Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods." 26 Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!" So Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego came out of the fire, 27 and the satraps, prefects, governors and royal advisers crowded around,

Daniel 3:23-27 (NIV)

How God Reveals His Presence

28 Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants! They trusted in him and defied the king's command and were willing to give up their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God. 29 Therefore I decree that the people of any nation or language who say anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego be cut into pieces and their houses be turned into piles of rubble, for no other god can save in this way."

Daniel 3:27-29 (NIV)

How God Reveals His Presence

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14 (NIV)

How God Reveals His Presence

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14 (NIV)

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

Matthew 10:45 (NIV)

God's Presence Has a Residence

God's presence has a permanent residence in the lives of those that follow Christ.

God's presence lives in us through The Holy Spirit.

But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.
Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

Romans 8:9 (NIV)

The Great Commission

¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Matthew 28:19-20 NIV