

# ENCOUNTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

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**Psalm 32:8**

***I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.***

Another year means another chance to make a new start! What needs to change in your life and what needs to improve? These are always the questions that we have at the beginning of a new year. So many possibilities...what will you make of the opportunities?

Finding God's plan for our life means finding His Presence in our daily lives. Anyone ever play Bible roulette, where you close your eyes, stick your finger in the Bible, and open it up to see which verse it landed on. You were certain God would speak to you in this random way.

It's funny when I look back at this "spiritual practice" because even though God can speak in any way He chooses, there's a secret to consistently encountering the rich Presence of God. We don't need a degree, a license, or a method to find God—we simply know Him through His Word.

Life can be complicated, but reading the Bible doesn't need to be. Start reading a chapter a day. Then pause and ask God to speak to your heart. You will find the more you read the Bible, the more you find yourself in the Presence of God. No matter what's happening in your life, God's Word will speak to you. In the good, the sorrow, the burdens, and the peaceful times, God will meet you there as you open the Bible and read.

So, take a few minutes today and get into God's Word. 2026 can be the greatest year in your walk with God. God has a plan for your life and you will find it in His Word!

Happy New Year!

C'mon Somebody!!

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