

Knowledge or Intimacy?

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*But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings justice and righteousness to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken! **Jeremiah 9:23-24 (NLT)***

**Spiritual Intimacy leads to Spiritual Power,
and Spiritual Power leads to Spiritual Victory!**

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Jeremiah 9:23 (NLT)

*But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they **truly know me** and understand that I am the Lord. **Jeremiah 9:24a (NLT)***

*Now Adam **knew Eve his wife**, and she conceived and bore Cain..."*

Genesis 4:1 (NKJV)

*Adam **made love to his wife Eve**, and she became pregnant..."*

Genesis 4:1 (NIV)

*"Then Adam **had intercourse with his wife**, and she became pregnant..."*

Genesis 4:1 (GNT)

YADA means...

To know completely and to be completely known.

*Who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings **justice and righteousness** to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!*

Jeremiah 9:24b (NLT)

How To Cultivate Intimacy With God

1. Practice **SIMPLICITY**.

2 Corinthians 11:3 (NASB): *But I am afraid that, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the **simplicity and purity** of devotion to Christ.*

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2. Practice **SILENCE**.

Psalms 46:10 (NIV): *He says, "**Be still**, and know that I am God"*

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- Practice **SOLITUDE**.

Mark 6:30-32 (NASB): *The apostles gathered together with Jesus; and they reported to Him all that they had done and taught. And He said to them, "**Come away by yourselves to a secluded place and rest a while.**" (For there were many people coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat.) They went away in the boat **to a secluded place by themselves.***