

A person is silhouetted against a starry night sky, pointing upwards. The Milky Way galaxy is visible in the background. The text "GROWING IN INTIMACY WITH GOD" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

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In Prayer

- We have **instant access** to God



Ephesians 6:18

¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on **all occasions** with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.



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Psalm 139:1-4

¹ You have searched me, Lord, and you **know me**.

² You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. ³ You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. ⁴ Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, **know it completely**.



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- We are able to share our **fears & hopes**



Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴ Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.



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¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help **in time of need**.



Isaiah 41:10

¹⁰ **Fear not**, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.



2 Timothy 1:7

⁷ For God gave us a spirit **not of fear** but of power and love and self-control.



Philippians 3:17

¹⁷ Brothers, join in **imitating me**, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us.



Philippians 4:6-7

⁶ **Do not be anxious** about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

⁷ And **the peace of God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



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1 John 5:14-15

¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything **according to his will**, he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.



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- We are able to **deepen** our walk with the Lord



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