

Relationships

Read Revelation 3:20

Genesis 3:8 "Then the man and his wife
heard the sound of the Lord God
as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day..."

"Oh hi, Sweetheart!" I said after answering the phone in my office one day at work.

"Now how did you know it was me?" Wilbur asked, changing his voice back to normal.

"I just knew it was you," I replied. No matter how much Wilbur tries to disguise his voice, I still know it's him.

A favorite pastime of mine is to spend time with Wilbur and the two of us just talk to each other. One of the houses we lived in had a porch. In the evenings we would sit on that porch and talk. When we lived in the woods, we'd sit out in the yard and talk. When the weather was cool, we'd add a campfire. The same was true when we went camping. Trips to the shore meant spending some time sitting on the beach watching the waves hit the shore, or at night seeing the moon reflecting on the water. What a lovely place to talk.

I really enjoy being with those I care about and having time to talk with them. Sometimes I must make time to talk with them for I tend to keep very busy.

Good relationships only last as long as the parties in the relationship talk to each other and communicate.

The same is true about our relationship with the Lord. Imagine what it must have been for Adam and Eve, to have walked and talked with God in the Garden of Eden and have known Him so well that they knew His voice when they heard Him. I really enjoy talking and communicating with Him. Although He doesn't come and talk and walk with me like He did with Adam and Eve, He communicates through the Holy Spirit. On my way to and from work, I listen to wonderful Christian music. As I listen, I concentrate on Him and pray. His presence fills my whole car and I know I am not alone. At night when I pray to Him, I feel that He is so close to me, that if I'd reach out, I'd be able to touch Him. How is your relationship with the Lord? Do you talk with Him?



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*Here I am! I stand at the door and knock.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the
door, I will come in and eat with him,
and he with me.
(Revelations 3:20)*