

# Never Moved

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When I started to post the word for Friday, I was reading the last part of Gina's word from Thursday, "*Sincerity of Heart*" where she said that God's not against us, but He is against the things that take the place of Him in our hearts.

I had a moment with the Lord today where I was talking out loud (yes, I do this often) like He was there, but I wasn't talking to Him. I was talking as if He were standing there but I was talking to someone else about Him.

I said something along the lines of "If He had done such and such." There was this silent gap, a familiar gap where I felt the Lord waiting for me to say the next thing... and it's as if I turned to Him and said "If You had done such and such" and I heard Him say "There it is."

As if He were saying: *I've been waiting for you to come to Me, to address Me directly, to bring the hurt, the stress, the unknowns instead of talking to the air about your circumstances, now that's crazy!*

What I didn't really get until I'm writing this is that all that I've been through lately, instead of moving toward God, I pulled away because in my stress, I felt like I did years ago where I've been wanting to throw a tantrum and say – IF ONLY YOU WERE PHYSICALLY HERE LORD BUT YOUR NOT AND I'M GONNA KICK AND THROW A FIT.

It reminded me of the story about the old couple driving down the road in their truck. Each day they got in the truck and rode to the store and back home. One day the woman looked over at her husband and said, "How come we don't sit next to each other anymore?" Her husband replied "I never moved." When they were first married, the woman would sit smack up next to him and over the years, through the changes of time and life, she moved closer and closer to the other side until she was sitting on the passenger side and not in the middle.

Friends, with everything we have going on, it's really easy to move further from God because He isn't physically in our presence, but in moving just a wee bit away, it makes way for so many things to try to come in and take the place of the closeness that God desires to have with us.

Lord, help us move toward You, and look at You, and talk TO You even through the mess of life because for real, that's when You can help the most and YOU ALWAYS DO, YOU NEVER MOVE. In Jesus name, Amen.