

## A PLACE AT GOD'S TABLE

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A table is a reminder of what really matters in life and that is relationships. We are all hardwired for emotional connection to other people. We all want to belong. We all want to be known. We crave to be loved. We want to be accepted by someone who is completely aware of our gifts and our flaws and yet wants to be with us anyway. In short, we crave intimacy.

It's not only important that we have earthly intimacy with other human beings, it's even more important that we enjoy intimacy with a heavenly being, namely God.

How can we hope to have an intimate relationship with someone we can't even see? A Spiritual being, no less.

What if I told you that not only did God create you for intimacy, but He also has been pursuing an intimate relationship with you from the very beginning. Just as He desired a relationship with Adam and Eve in the Garden, He desires a relationship with every one of us today.

God wants you at His table. He desires fellowship. He desires intimacy with us.

Rev 3:20 "Look! Here I stand at the door and knock. If you hear me calling and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal as friends."

You might think, "Not me Pastor, Jesus would never want me at His table." If you think like that, I'm here to tell you, "Yes He does."

The God of Heaven loved you so much, that He robed Himself in flesh and became a man; He became one of us so that we could become one with Him.

God could have loved us from a distance, but He didn't. He wanted more than just to love us; He wanted to become intimate with us, so God became man so that He could fully share the experience of humanity.

God has a table spread and we have been given a place at His table. Because of what took place on an Old Rugged Cross, we are able to sit together with Him in heavenly places.