

Abundant Life – Communicate with God

Spirit	Soul	Body
New Birth Communicate with God Power of God comes through our Spirit	Mind Emotions Conscience Personality Will	See Smell Taste Hear Feel

Man communicates with God:

Prayer:

Genesis 4:26b

At that time men began to call on the name of the Lord.

Philippians 4:6

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

Worship:

Worship was a core part of life in the Old Testament. It had sacrifices and offerings prescribed by law in the book of Leviticus. God defined acceptable worship in the instructions in Leviticus. The act of worship communicates to God what he is worth.

Hebrews 13:15,16

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that confess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

John 4:24

God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth. (The spirit of man provides the motivation behind your actions.)

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Romans 12:1

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship.

Obedience:

Genesis 22 is the account of God testing Abraham. God told Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac as a burnt offering. His obedience showed God the depth of his faith. Actions speak louder than words.

Genesis 22:1,2

Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said, "Take your son, Isaac, whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on the mountains I will tell you about."

Genesis 22:5

He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

Genesis 22:12

"...Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

God is always watching and listening:

Psalms 34:15

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their cry:

Psalms 121:3,4

...he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

God is always available to hear our prayers and receive our worship. We are never put on hold or told to leave a message and he will get back to us. Every time man communicates with God, God gets the message.