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"And Abraham drew near..." Genesis 18:23

How is it that this One Who is closer to us than our own breathe, Who has promised never to leave us or to forsake us must be sought out?

Why is it that if He is so close, we must draw near? As Abraham drew near to God, so Moses drew near to God while the people yet "stood afar!" The multitudes pressed in upon Jesus, but only His disciples and a few others dared to really draw near to Him. "A woman who had had a hemorrhage for twelve years came up behind Him. She touched the fringe of His robe, for she thought, "If I can just touch His robe, I will be healed." (Matthew 9:20-21) And then there was John, the beloved disciple, "He then lying on Jesus' breast said unto Him, Lord, who is it?" (John 13:25)

Drawing near to another is not merely "proximity of presence", but rather a relationship of heart. "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." (James 4:8a). Abraham's boldness to draw near to God sprang from his relationship and friendship with God. So today, we too, "having boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus," may approach the Lord to obtain all that His abundant grace has provided for us.

Dear friend, be confident today and by faith, draw near to Jesus!

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