Gateways of Intimacy WITH GOD

"Don't let the wise brag of their wisdom." Don't let heroes brag of their exploits. Don't let the rich brag of their riches. If you brag, brag of this and this only: That you understand and know me..." JEREMIAH 9:23-24 MSG (Nothing Else · Cody Carnes)

WORSHIP

A. ABSORBING THE BIBLE (The Great Adventure • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"Pay attention, come close now, listen carefully to my life-giving, life-nourishing words..." Isaiah 55:3 MSG

B. INTERCEDING IN PRAYER (In Jesus Name • Katy Nichole)

"Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down..." Philippians 4:6-7 MSG

C. GLORIFYING GOD IN SONG (Worthy of My Song • Maverick City Music)

"Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise." Psalms 47:6-7 NIV

HOLY SPIRIT

A. LISTENING (Speak to Me & Favorite Place • Kari Jobe)

"I still have many things to tell you, but you can't handle them now. But when the Friend comes, the Spirit of the Truth, he will take you by the hand and guide you into all the truth there is..."

John 16:12-13 MSG

B. MEDITATING (Be Still and Know • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." Psalm 46:10 NIV

C. EMPOWERED (Holy Spirit • Francesca Battistelli)

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you;..." Acts 1:8 NIV

GENEROSITY

A. TIME (Live it Well • Switchfoot)

"Take a constant interest in the needs of God's beloved people and respond by helping them. And eagerly welcome people as quests into your home." Romans 12:13 TPT

B. TALENT (If We Are the Body • Casting Crowns)

"Just as each one of you has received a special gift [a spiritual talent, an ability graciously given by God], employ it in serving one another..." 1 Peter 4:10 AMP

C. TREASURE (Give Me Your Eyes • Brandon Heath)

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21 ESV

D. THANKFULNESS (Thank You for Everything • Jason Gray)

"Let every detail in your lives—words, actions, whatever—be done in the name of the Master, Jesus, thanking God the Father every step of the way." Colossians 3:17 MSG

E. TRUST (Trust in You • Lauren Daigle)

"Trust God from the bottom of your heart; don't try to figure out everything on your own. Listen for God's voice in everything you do, everywhere you go; he's the one who will keep you on track." Proverbs 3:5-6 MSG

F. TESTIMONY (Live Out Loud • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony;..."
Revelation 12:11 NIV

HUMBLE (Only Jesus • Casting Crowns)

"Though the Lord is great, he cares for the humble, but he keeps his distance from the proud." Psalms 138:6 NLT

FEAR OF GOD (Fear of God · Brooke Ligertwood)

"The Lord is a friend to those who fear him..." Psalms 25:14 NLT

BROKENNESS (Hard Season • Matthew West)

"The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18 NIV

A. WOUNDS (Wounds • Jordan Feliz)

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God." 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 NIV

B. TEARS (Tears • Matt Hammitt)

"Those who sow their tears as seeds will reap a harvest with joyful shouts of glee. They may weep as they go out carrying their seed to sow, but they will return with joyful laughter and shouting with gladness as they bring back armloads of blessing and a harvest overflowing!" Psalms 126:5-6 TPT

C. COMMUNION (Communion Song • Jonathan Stockstill & Bethany Worship)

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." John 6:56-58 NIV

D. FASTING (40 Days • His Story: The Musical)

"While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, 'Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." Acts 13:2 ESV

E. FORGIVING (Forgiveness • Matthew West)

"In prayer there is a connection between what God does and what you do. You can't get forgiveness from God, for instance, without also forgiving others. If you refuse to do your part, you cut yourself off from God's part." Matthew 6:14-15 MSG

F. SUFFERING (Beauty Will Rise • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us." Romans 5:3-5 NIV

GOVERNANCE

"That night God appeared to Solomon and said to him, 'Ask for whatever you want me to give you.' Solomon answered God...; 'Give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may lead this people, for who is able to govern this great people of yours?'" 2 Chronicles 1:7-8, 10 NIV

BELIEVERS TOGETHER (Together • For King and Country)

"...if two or three people are together believing in me, I am there with them." Matthew 18:20 ERV

NATURE (So Will I (100 Billion X) • Hillsong Worship)

"For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God." Romans 1:20 NLT

BELIEVE GOD EXISTS & REWARDS

(God is God • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him." Hebrews 11:6 ESV

REMEMBERING (Remember to Remember • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"Study GOD and his strength, seek his presence day and night; Remember all the wonders he performed, the miracles and judgments that came out of his mouth." 1 Chronicles 16:11-12 MSG

DREAMS (Dream for You • Casting Crowns)

"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams." Acts 2:17 NIV

SABBATH (Be Still My Soul • Kari Jobe)

"If you watch your step on the Sabbath and don't use my holy day for personal advantage, if you treat the Sabbath as a day of joy, God's holy day as a celebration, If you honor it by refusing 'business as usual,' making money, running here and there—Then you'll be free to enjoy God!..." Isaiah 58:13-14 MSG

OBEDIENCE (God Follower • Steven Curtis Chapman)

"Here's how we can be sure that we've truly come to know God: if we keep his commands. If someone claims, 'I have come to know God by experience,' yet doesn't keep God's commands, he is a phony and the truth finds no place in him. But the love of God will be perfected within the one who obeys God's Word. We can be sure that we've truly come to live in intimacy with God, not just by saying, 'I am intimate with God,' but by walking in the footsteps of Jesus." 1 John 2:3-6 TPT

MIRACLES (Million Little Miracles • Elevation Worship and Maverick City Music)

"He called out to them, 'Friends, haven't you any fish?' 'No,' they answered. He said, 'Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some.' When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish. Then the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' As soon as Simon Peter heard him say, 'It is the Lord,' he wrapped his outer garment around him...and jumped into the water." John 21:5-7 NIV

PROPHETIC WORDS FULFILLED

(Make a Way • Elevation Worship)

"Jesus answered, 'Destroy this temple, and I will raise it up again in three days.' ... The disciples remembered his prophecy after Jesus rose from the dead, and believed both the Scripture and what Jesus had said." John 2:19, 22 TPT

"Come near to God and he will come near to you..."

JAMES 4:8 NIV

(Just Like Heaven · Brandon Lake)

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