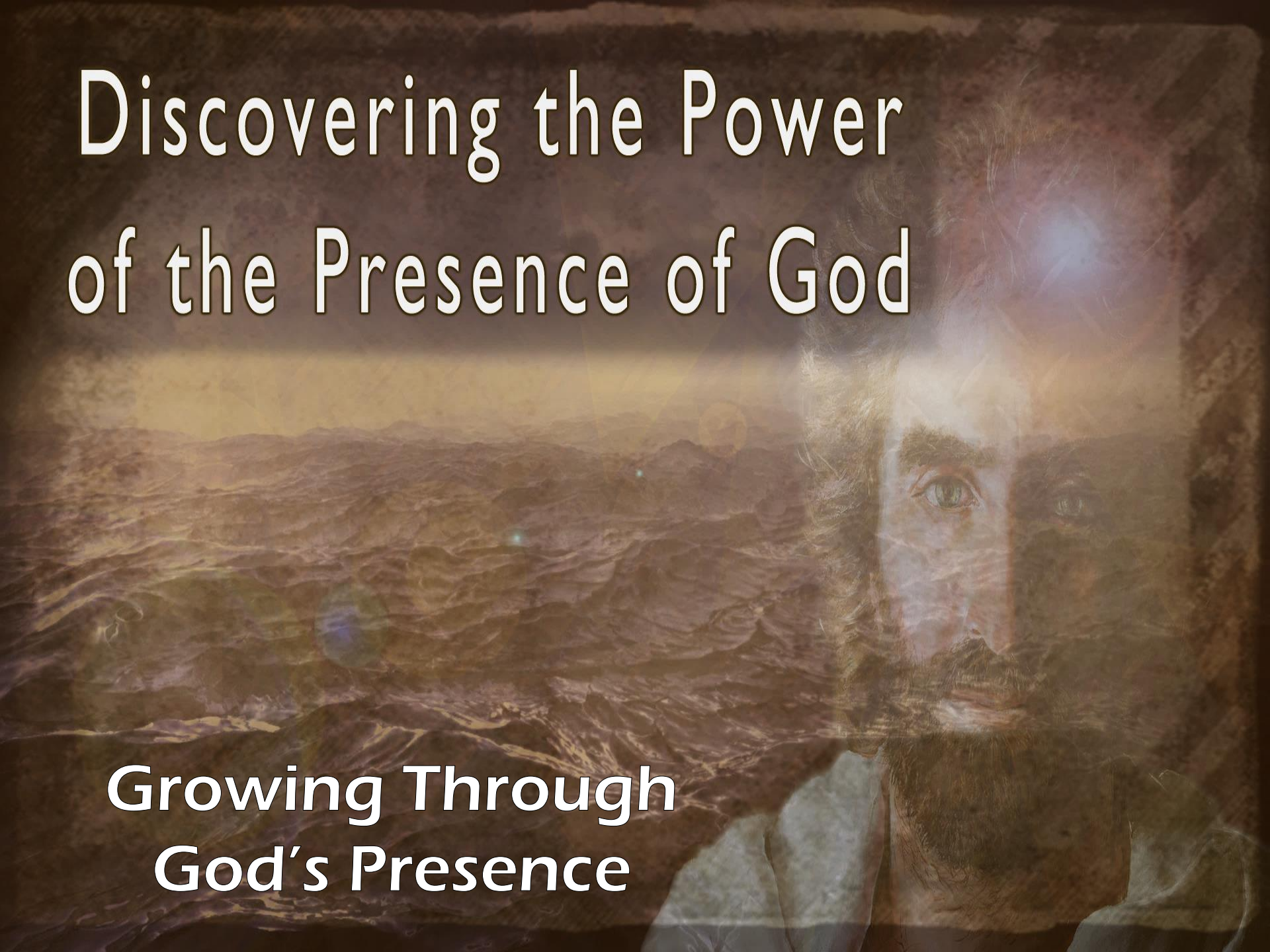


Discovering the Power of the Presence of God

**Growing Through
God's Presence**





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Introduction:
of the Presence of God

Unschoolled disciples grew rapidly when they spent time with Jesus.

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Text: Acts 4:13

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When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

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Growth is not always what we think
it is. It isn't necessarily:
WORKING harder for the
church.

Gaining more **KNOWLEDGE** of
the Bible.

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True spiritual growth is holistic.

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It affects us:

PHYSICALLY—we gain greater
control of the flesh.

EMOTIONALLY—we become
more positive and peaceful.

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It affects us:

MENTALLY —we view life in a
less compartmentalized manner.

Churches are continually trying to find better ways to help people grow, including:

ASSIMILATION strategies.

DISCIPLESHIP programs,

including large groups, small groups, classrooms, and one-on-one.

Christians grow best when they
spend time with **GOD**.

We need to:

READ the Word of God and
MEDITATE on it.

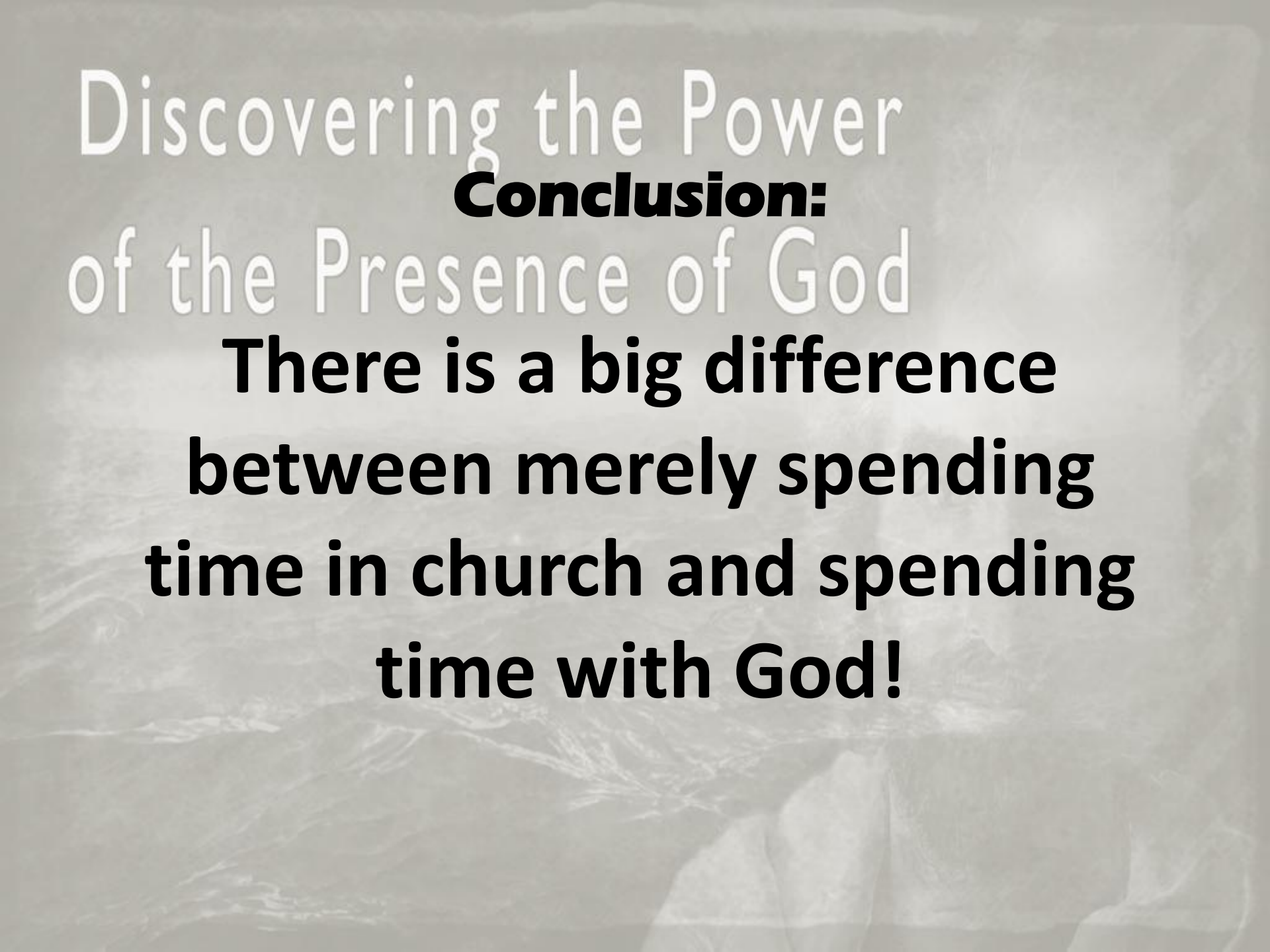
TALK to God.

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spend time with **GOD**.

We need to:

LISTEN to God.

Make spending **TIME** with God a
true **PRIORITY** in our lives.



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Conclusion:
of the Presence of God

**There is a big difference
between merely spending
time in church and spending
time with God!**

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