

Where is Jesus? Pastor Steve March 18, 2018

Key thought: The presence of Jesus ought to be our highest goal, our greatest desire, and our deepest pleasure.

1. Jesus is at the **RIGHT HAND OF GOD THE FATHER** (Mark 14:62, 16:19, Acts 2:33, 7:55, Romans 8:34)

2. Jesus is wherever <u>TWO OR THREE ARE</u> in His name (Matthew 18:20)

3. Jesus is present in the **DOWNTRODDEN** and **DISENFRANCHISED** (Matthew 25:34-40)

4. Jesus is **AT THE DOOR** (Revelation 3:20)

Applications:

- UP: What is God saying to you about your desires?
- IN: What actions does He want you to undertake? In praying with others? In reaching out to those in need? In opening the door?
- OUT: What impact will that have on your world?

A Prayer of Seeking

O God, I have tasted Thy goodness, and it has both satisfied me and made me thirsty for more. I am painfully conscious of my need of further grace. I am ashamed of my lack of desire. O God, the Triune God, I want to want Thee; I long to be filled with longing; I thirst to made more thirsty still. Show me Thy glory, I pray Thee, that so I may know Thee indeed. Begin in mercy a new work of love within me. Say to my soul, "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away." Then give me grace to rise and follow Thee up from this misty lowland where I have wandered so long. In Jesus' name. Amen.

- Tozer, The Pursuit of God