



## THE PRACTICE OF THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Thirty-five principles of Brother Lawrence (see module seven and handbook page 94)

1. Converse with Him all the time
2. Feed ourselves on Him all the time
3. Abandon ourselves to Him all the time
4. Watch for moments when the soul can interface with Him
5. Be ruled by love
6. Do all for the love of God
7. Recognize our thoughts are powerful
8. Renounce that which gets in the way
9. Do things to the Glory of God
10. Realize our inadequacies
11. Recognize it's to our advantage to be living sacrifices
12. Aspire to it and want it
13. Find joy in His company
14. Our actions become small occasions for fellowship with God
15. Be thoughtful and considerate
16. Pause to worship God
17. Let our actions flow from faith
18. Turn to God in battle
19. Worship as we should
20. Recognize Him as He is and us for what we are
21. Recognize the separation from the Divine and the fact that this been overcome
22. Recognize that grace is a permanent state
23. Recognize that grace has specific moments
24. Recognize that there is an ecstatic deep realisation of grace
25. The presence of God involves imagination and understanding
26. Gentle loving gaze and intense Divine fire come together
27. Purity of life
28. Faithfulness in practise
29. An inner gaze
30. Not shallow
31. Difficult at first
32. Faith becomes alive in all life
33. Hope becomes stronger
34. Detachment from materialism arrives
35. We become friends with God