The Lord is Near

PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7

Daview the Sermon

"Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand;" (Philippians 4:5, ESV)

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Read Philippians 4:4-7.
Why is the "ministry of presence" so important in Christian discipleship?
In what ways is the Lord "at hand" for his people?
From the surrounding instructions in this paragraph, what should happen when a Christian experiences the Lord's closeness?
Assess your Life
How does the quality of your joy, kindness, security, and peace reflect your experience of the Lord's closeness?
How has your prayer life affected your level of anxiety?
Which of the two – your heart (emotions) or your mind (thoughts) – would you say is most vulnerable to unrest?

Apply the Truth

What habits could you implement to be more intentional in rejoicing in the Lord rather than in your circumstances?
What changes must you make to show greater kindness to those around you?
What improvements must be made to your prayer habits that would lead to less anxiety?
Commit this Week
Will you commit to seeking out the nearness of the Lord's presence in your experience through Scripture, prayer, and a thankful heart?

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6–7, ESV)