

**REVEIVING FROM GOD – 3**  
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**REVIEW – JAMES 1:5-8 (HCSB)**

- We must become better receivers of what God has given.
- Helps: decide, find scriptures, ask, believe, stand, meditate and praise.
- Naaman's example teaches us: God can will something, give instructions for receiving it, but we won't receive it unless we follow the instructions. Also, some things may have to be dealt with before we are ready to receive.

**CONTINUE – HEBREWS 4:14-16**

**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

1. Nothing is more important than knowing that a strong faith life is the results of having a close walk with God. True faith is born out of a close fellowship with God that's rooted in love and the finished work of Christ.
2. God's Throne – **HEBREWS 4:16**
  - A. Christian Assembly gives free food to everyone who comes to receive it. If someone didn't receive food, it's because they didn't come to Christian Assembly, not because Christian Assembly wasn't giving it out.
  - B. God's Throne gives everything we need: mercy, grace, help, healing, power, gifts or whatever we need.
  - C. God's Throne can be intimidating. **ISAIAH 6:1-5 (NLT)** Like Isaiah, we all can be intimidated when approaching a holy God, and aware of our shortcomings.
3. Jesus represents us. **HEBREWS 4:14-16 (MSG)**
  - A. We don't approach the Throne based on our performance. Therefore, means based on the performance of our sinless High Priest, we approach the Throne boldly, confidently and fearlessly, to obtain what we need.
4. The new and living way. **HEBREWS 10:19-20**
  - A. The old way involved sacrifices that could never give anyone except the High Priest access to the Throne. It could never perfect worshippers. **HEBREWS 10:1**
  - B. The new way involves the sacrifice of Christ that perfects those who are sanctified. **HEBREWS. 10:11-18 (MSG)**
  - C. The old way produced guilt, but the new way produces a guilt-free conscious, and spot free rinse.
5. The blood has paved the way. **HEBREWS 10:19**
  - A. Sin is removed from the sight of God and the conscience of the believer. Instead of sin consciousness, we have righteousness consciousness.
6. How we draw near. **HEBREWS 10:22**
  - A. True heart – a right attitude toward God and the sacrifice of Christ. Includes sincerity, gladness, enthusiasm and freedom. A heart of worship. **PSALMS 100:4**
  - B. Full assurance of faith – unwavering confidence, no room for doubt. As a child asking a favor from a parent.
  - C. Sprinkled heart and conscience – **HEBREWS 9:8-9** The Blood of Christ gives peace to a trouble mind, and rids the conscience of all that is impure and unholy.
  - D. Washed bodies – A reference to priests cleansing themselves with pure water before approaching God and performing their services. Believers are baptized in water and washed in the water of the Word.
7. Holding fast to our confession. **HEBREWS 10:23**
  - A. God is faithful to make every promise good.