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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

John 14:23 Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey My teaching. My Father will love them, and We will come to them and make Our home with them." (NIV)

I find that in my own journey, when I am walking in obedience to the LORD and His word, I find that I am at rest in Him. There is a feeling of joy and completeness. Conversely, when I am walking and living from my own desires and perspective, I am full of anxious thoughts and irritated many times. This is the product of disobedience, but the former is a product of obeying and staying in His presence.

Just look at the benefits you and I will receive if we but obey the LORD. We will receive the love of the Father. Now make no mistake, the LORD loves everyone all the time. But this is the active love of the LORD being present in our daily lives. In other words, God loves everyone, but not everyone receives the love of the Father. He will not barge into someone's life and demand that they receive His love. He stands at your heart's door and knocks. If anyone will open the door and invite Him in, He will come in and commune with them and they will receive His unconditional love. In fact, He will make His home in them.

If you have not invited Him in, He is standing outside the door of your heart and desiring to come in and abide in you. He wants to make Himself at home in your life. There is no one better to have in your life that the One Who created you, Who loves you, and Who paid the ultimate price for you. The Savior is waiting. Will you invite Him in? If you already have, will you allow Him to sit on the throne of your life? Will you follow Him as He leads you? You have the choice.

Dear LORD, if we really want to experience real and abundant life, we cannot do that outside of Your presence. LORD, come and make Your home in us. Dwell in us. Rule in us. Lead us. In Jesus Name, Amen