

What Do You Want to BE When You Grow Up?

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third of a five-part series "Why Leaders Should Practice the Presence of God." Each part of the series will focus on a quote from the Brother Lawrence classic, The Practice of the Presence of God. To view the other parts, click [part 1](#), [part 2](#).

We can all probably remember being asked the question, "What do you want to be when you grow up?"

I remember my answer was "to play second base for the St. Louis Cardinals." I didn't quite make it. But surely there's a senior league somewhere for me in Florida. I just hope I can run the bases in my golf cart.

The "what do you want to be" question addresses a young person's thoughts about a career. The question is not focused on the word "be."

What a great question to ask early in the morning! "What do I want to BE today?"

Brother Lawrence challenged his 17th-century readers with this thought:

"That in order to form a habit of conversing with God continually, and referring all we do to Him, we must at first apply to Him with some diligence; but that after a little care we should find His love inwardly excite us to it without any difficulty."

I want to be with Him continually throughout this day. I choose to converse with Him and seek Him in all decisions set before me.

Leaders who want to BE with Him will lead with Him.

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Today's Scripture

"Keep yourselves in the love of God while you are waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, which leads to eternal life" (Jude 1:21).

Platform Tip No. 107

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