

Delivering God to the World

I. Human Vessels of Divine Image (Letters Known and Read by All)

A. Can express the Image and Likeness of *Infinite Love & Relational Unity!*

Gen 1:26 NIV Then God said, "Let **us** make man in **our image**, in our *likeness*, and ... **rule** ... over the earth...creatures

Only in the Human is the Trinity revealed.

B. Can express an Infinite of Imagination, Potential, Creative Power, and Desires

Ecc1 3.11 NLT Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has **planted eternity** in the human heart, ...

C. Can express the Goodness of God's Character

Eph 5.1 ESV Therefore be **imitators** of God, as beloved children.
2 And **walk in love**, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

To walk in love, or live a life of love has attributes:

- Unconditional generosity toward all humans and creatures
- Gratitude and Hope
- A **deep* connection** with God, ourselves, and others

Love is an **intense feeling** of **deep affection**. *Care for, Hold dear, Treasure *Mind Will Emotion*

Joy is the Indicator of common unity (**community, communion**)

Psalms 16:11 NIV You make known to me the path of life;
you will fill me with joy **in your presence**,
with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

II. Losing the Plot

Sin **destroys** CONNECTION.

Righteousness **cherishes** CONNECTION.

“Did God really say...?”

Ingratitude is the beginning of all evils and sins!

We **OFTEN LIVE** on the **SURFACE** and miss the **DEPTH**

Mark 8:1 NIV During those days another large crowd gathered.

Since they had nothing to eat, ... 2 “I have **compassion** for these people; they have ... nothing to eat.

4 His disciples answered, “But where in this remote place can anyone get enough bread to feed them?”

11 The Pharisees came and began to question Jesus. ... 12 He sighed deeply ... 13 Then he left them, got back into the boat ...

14 The disciples had forgotten to bring bread, except for one loaf they had with them in the boat. 15 **“Be careful,”** Jesus warned them. **“Watch out for the yeast of the Pharisees and that of Herod.”**

16 They discussed this with one another and said, “It is because we have no bread.”

17 Aware of their discussion, Jesus asked them: “Why are you talking about having no bread? Do you still not **see (PERCEIVE)** or **UNDERSTAND?** ***Are your hearts hardened?*** 18 Do you have eyes but fail to **see**, and ears but fail to **hear**? And don’t you ***remember?***

See, Hear & Remember lead to PERCEPTION & COMPREHENSION (putting the pieces together)

II. Restoring the Message <Divine Image>

The **Son** came into creation via Incarnation.

He was begotten by the Holy Spirit of Blessed Virgin Mary and became Man.

The **Holy Spirit** proceeds from the Father and is poured out upon all flesh, sent by the Son.

He is the Promise of the Father and Ever Present Helper, Teacher, Guide, Revealer.

John 15.26 NKJ “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

The **Father** only enters Creation in the Temple, the Church.

John 14.6 NKJ ... “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 14.23 NKJ Jesus answered and said to him, “If anyone **loves Me**, he will **keep My word**; and My Father will love him, and **We will come** to him and **make Our home with him**.

We know God in loving perception, not in rational thought, debate.

Love is CONNECTION. Face to Face. Presence.

Feeling. Awareness.

Today, we are in a worship service.

Tomorrow, many here will be involved in community service, customer service, you will be serving somebody!

We are all servants and in that we are all in ministry.

Can we make workplace be a sanctuary and every interaction worship?

1 Cor 10.31 ESV So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, **do all to the glory of God.**

We can't have communion without gratitude, we can't speak or work in the Name of Jesus and not be thankful.

II. Participating in the Divine Nature

A. Presence Face to Face.

Exod 33.11 ESV Thus the LORD used to speak to Moses **face to face**, as a man speaks to his friend. ...

PaNiM (face to face) -al- PaNiM (facets of our lives)

PaNaH - turn PeNiM - inside (inner)

The **Face** reveals the **facets** of what's **INSIDE**.

Love is the Holy Place of Infinite Possibilities & Internal Abundance

B. The Total Gift... Life, Love, Connection

At the incarnation God the Word took on human flesh.

At the Communion Table We feed upon all that He is

John 6:54 Whoever eats My **flesh** and drinks My **blood** has eternal life...

Eat My Body (my gift of human incarnation & Divine Nature)

Drink My Blood (sinless, endless, overflowing life)

Eucharist — Giving Thanks

We will sooner tire of receiving His Gifts than He of Giving!