7. Enter the Holiest

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7.1 Sprinkled with Blood

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Although all the writers of the gospel use the tabernacle of Moses as the structure of the gospel, the writer of Hebrews spends more time with that tabernacle than the others. What does it mean, then, for you to have entered into the Holiest? What does the Holy of Holies represent in the gospel experience?

Inside the Holiest. When you entered through the Gate into the outer court, your life was transformed. For the first time you KNEW God and you knew that Jesus lived in your heart. When you entered through the Door into the Holy Place, your life was transformed. For the first time you KNEW the realms of Spirit and you knew that the Jesus alive in your heart was a living Spirit Word.

When you enter through the Veil into the Holy of Holies, your life is transformed. For the first time you KNOW Christ as the only life you are. Living inside of the Holy of Holies is living inside of all the reality and meaning of pure and perfect union with Christ Jesus.

The Veil Wide Open. At this stage in your journey into knowing God, you can see that God has merged the meaning of two metaphors for us, the cross and the veil. For those who live in the Holy of Holies, Cross and Veil are behind them. For those who refuse to live inside the Holy of Holies, inside of Jesus as the only life they are, the Cross and Veil stand as an impenetrable barrier keeping them out, that is, in their imagination.

Here is the first thing you must know about that Veil, remembering that the Cross and the Veil speak to us of the same reality. The moment Jesus died upon the cross – **Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom** (Matthew 27:51).

How Do We Enter? The entrance into living inside of all that the fulness of Christ is and means is wide open. Nothing keeps anyone out except false imagination and unbelief.

Now, this book is about *Knowing Jesus As He Is*, that we are just like Him inside the Pro-Knowing of God. Living in the Holy of Holies is you living inside of Jesus and Jesus inside of you. Living in the Holy of Holies is living inside of John 14:20. **In that day** [Today] you shall know that I am in the Father and you in Me and I in you. All the knowledge of God is found only here.

How, then, do we enter, and how do we live inside this largest of all places, inside of Jesus?

You CANNOT! The first half of this little book brought you to living in John 14:20, inside of Jesus, your full union with all that Christ is. The second half

of this book is all about living inside and out from John 14:20, all the fulness of Christ, the Holiest of All.

But let's stop right here. You CANNOT enter into union with the Lord Jesus Christ. You are incapable of doing such a thing. Try for ten billion years, and you will never know Jesus as He is.

Salvation is one thing and one thing alone. Jesus enters into union with you. You will never know Jesus in His power until you first accept Him as having already come unto union with all of your human weakness and inability. Jesus Himself lives as you.

A True Heart. Look at the main subject/verb of the one long sentence that is Hebrews 10:19-22. Let us approach [everything inside the Holiest] with a true heart.

If you were to dig, you would find arrogance, a desire for superiority, as the underlying heart of all those who seek to enter into union with "Christ." But when you look at the heart of those who, in tears, accept Jesus having already come into union with their human weakness, you will find true hearts, hearts that desire to bless.

There is only one true heart that will enter into living in Jesus in us in all our present humanity – a heart filled with Jesus, Jesus alive in your heart.

The Precious Blood of Christ. It would take writing a very large book to attempt to convey everything that can be found in Hebrews 10:19-22. Here we must limit ourselves to just a few things.

First, briefly, the WAY into the Holiest is both a newly sacrificed as well as a living way. These are referring to the two goats on the Day of Atonement, that is, the Lord Jesus as He is both your sins dead upon the Cross as well as your living Savior carrying all your present sinfulness inside His empty grave. Simply put, the Jesus who lives in your heart is the Way in.

Notice that this Way is consecrated, that is, made holy or devoted to God by the Blood of Christ, as Peter said – You were... redeemed... with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot (1 Peter 1:18-19).

Sprinkled Clean. The writer of Hebrews states that you possess four things that take you through the Veil into living only inside of God. Those four things are boldness of freedom, a High Priest, a heart sprinkled clean, and a body washed.

Having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil consciousness. The Blood is mentioned first as that which consecrates this entire Way into all the knowledge of God; here the Blood, though not mentioned, is front and center. It is the Blood that is "sprinkled" upon your heart, making your heart clean from all thinking of evil. Sprinkled clean from an evil consciousness is just the first thing the Blood Sprinkled does to your heart, yet we must begin here.

No Consciousness of Sins. What does the writer of Hebrews mean by an "evil consciousness?" Please read Hebrews 10:1-25 in the Jesus Secret version, as well as the New King James, several times. In Verse 3 the writer states that to be cleansed means having NO more consciousness of sins. Then, in Verse 10 – By [God's] desire, we are already made holy [belonging only to God] through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And in Verse 14 – For by one offering, He has perfected those who are continuously being made holy [by God]. We must bring in one more line – through Himself purification of sins having made, He sat down... (Hebrews 1:3). Or, as the NKJV puts it – When He had by Himself purged our sins, He sat down...

Temptation Repeated. There are few places where the evil one presents his temptation more strongly and with more devastating results than here.

"But you sinned. What you did was wicked, and you know it." That is not yet the temptation,

however. When you believe in Jesus, it is an easy thing to say to another, "I'm sorry; what I did was wrong. Please forgive me." Forgiving one another our ongoing foolish mistakes is part of living together inside of Jesus, inside of completion. **No consciousness of sins** is something entirely different.

God says, "Jesus already purged your sins – sprinkled from an evil consciousness." And the serpent says, "Your sins can be purged if you weep before God and promise to do better next time."

All Things Are Pure. When you look inside yourself, inside your heart, all through the motivation of your flesh, at your face in the mirror, you have an option of seeing one of two things. You can see sin, always falling short of God, deceitful and wicked. – OR – You can see Jesus, pure and complete, with no thought or consciousness of sins.

To the pure all things are pure, but to those who are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure (Titus 1:15). The word "pure" means "no mixture." So, in a very rough sense, those who see only evil inside themselves are "pure" in that very limited sense. Impurity is the practice of seeing Jesus AND sin in yourself.

Utterly Clean! Finally – **Having our bodies** washed with pure water. The physical body, in this context, represents also everything in your ongoing daily life in this present age, everything of your natural life.

Here is what God told Peter. "What God has cleansed you must not call common or unclean" (Acts 10:15). To live inside of Christ is to live inside of sinless perfection, regardless of your ongoing human mistakes.

We are not just to enter into Christ through faith, but we are to do so BOLDLY. Only one way of thinking and seeing will allow us to live inside of Jesus and Jesus inside of us. – **NO consciousness of sins**; washed utterly CLEAN!

7.2 A Bold Entrance

Therefore brethren, having already a freely bold entrance into the Holiest inside the blood of Jesus consecrating for us a newly sacrificed as well as a living way through the veil, that is, through His flesh; and having a High Priest over the house of God, let us approach [everything inside the Holiest] with a true heart, in full assurance of faith; having our hearts already sprinkled clean from an evil consciousness; and having our bodies washed with pure water (Hebrews 10:19-22).

For you to be filled with all the fullness of God means that God has given ALL of Himself to you. You will know what that means to the same measure that you give yourself – faith working through love – in turn to God. The Holy of Holies is EVERYTHING inside of God.

Already Inside. Now, you will likely have noticed a seeming contradiction between two things. Do we enter into God through Christ? Or do we find ourselves already inside of God through Christ? Both of these expressions are true together as we find them in our experience.

God placed you into Himself inside of all that is Christ the very moment Jesus agreed to receive you in Gethsemane. BUT – you knew none of that. Thus, for you, the experience of discovering what is already true is like "entering in" for the first time. Yet the moment you enter into the knowledge of what is true by faith in Jesus, you discover that what seems "brand-new" has always been the only thing true.

Knowing versus the Lie. This relationship between entering into the knowledge of something in God already always true will last forever. God and knowing God never ends. Nonetheless, this distinction is critical. You cannot actually "enter" into God through Christ for you are already there, but you do enter into the knowledge of what is already true.

And this is why the one lie of the serpent is so effective. The temptation of the evil one cannot remove any Christian from being already inside of all that is God. But the seductive words, "You can be if you try" bars those who give heed to that temptation from ever knowing what is already true. They remain outside of God only in their false imagination.

Parrhesia. The Greek word for a "freely bold" entrance is *parrhesia*, which means to speak strongly, freely, and boldly in public and is also translated as "confidence." Nonetheless *parrhesia* is the confidence of bold public speaking, that is, it means to speak out loud the words of Christ our only life. "Christ is my life; I have no other life. Christ is all that I am."

Let's position the critical importance of this boldness. Without faith one is incapable of pleasing God; indeed, it behooves the one approaching {everything in the Holiest} to believe that God is and that He becomes the rewarder of those seeking out and requiring of Him (Hebrews 11:6).

Reckless Assertion. Jesus is every Word God speaks. Nothing bothers God more than any form or shadow of calling Jesus false. God speaks (Jesus) "that you might be filled with all the fullness of God." Your reckless assertion that these words are true, that everything that is God is found inside of you, inside of your own person, and thus belongs entirely to you, is the only thing that pleases God.

Timidity towards anything inside the meaning of "all the fullness of God" inside of you is not part of believing in Jesus. Yet our "recklessness" is towards God only; never do we "make use of God" to "rule over" or to impress others, as Adam did.

A Man after God's Heart. "I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after [bearing all the same characteristics, down to the finest details of] My own heart, who will do all that I desire" (Acts 13:22). Paul is quoting God as recorded by Samuel.

A man after My [that is, God's] own heart. Those are simply among the most precious words in all the Bible, for God is placing them before us, not as something exclusive to David, but as our own treasure forever. That we would share heart with God.

What was it about David that so moved the Father to claim that David's heart was an expression of His own? Three things: <u>boldness</u> AND <u>fear</u> together towards a <u>Personal</u> God.

Placing Sin upon God. Two large experiences in David's life gave full expression to that heart David possessed his entire life. You see, Hebrews 10:19-22, entering into the possession of all that is God, is all about HEART. That's why Jesus lives in your heart; that's why His Word is written only there.

As recorded in 2 Samuel 11, David coveted, lied, murdered, committed adultery, stole, placed another above God, and took God's name in vain, all in one big awful crime. By the law, David should have been stoned to death. But what did David do when God exposed his wickedness? David RAN straight into the Holy of Holies, straight into God, and placed all of his wickedness entirely upon a Personal God.

Walking Away. Then, in 2 Samuel 13, David's son Absalom raised an army to take control of God's people from David. David turned his back in tears and walked away. David never "ruled over" anyone. And never did he want to "be somebody" in the sight of others.

One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple (Psalm 27:4). David wanted only to KNOW a Personal God; he cared nothing about being "superior" over others.

Singing in the Holiest. But the most amazing thing David did was that he seized the Ark of the

Covenant, the presence of God, for himself and placed that Ark into a tent in his backyard. That tent of David became, then, the Holy of Holies, and David spent every moment he could inside the Holy of Holies, taking all his friends into God with him, singing and dancing together inside of all the fulness of God.

I have found for Myself a man after My own heart. – David treated God as a Person, as his dearest Friend. David placed all of his sin only upon God upon the Mercy Seat inside the Holy of Holies. And David never thought once about "using God" to control or impress others, yet he took many with him into the bold enjoyment of all the fullness of God.

The Father's Heart. David is you. Be as David towards and inside of all that is God. Yet David lived inside a season of limitation; you live inside all the fulness of Christ. And thus, as you know Jesus as He is inside your own heart, you will find that sharing heart with God inside the Holy of Holies goes far beyond the wonder and joy that David knew.

You can see, however, why God allows the cross and the veil to appear as a barrier to so many. Nothing in all the universe is more awful than human abuse of God's heart. God wants to share His heart with you, as your own heart. What will you do with Father's Heart?

Here is the turning point of knowing Jesus as He is – but we will speak more of this later.

Enter into God with all Boldness. Here's an overview of the incredible things found in this one long sentence, Hebrews 10:19-22, one of the great and critical ruling "verses" of the Bible.

God gives the picture of the Holy of Holies in the Tabernacle of Moses to convey to us that vast extent of God-meanings found inside this little threeword phrase – **Abide in Me**. You enter every next place in God in the boldness of freedom. Every step of the way into every next place in God, and especially into living entirely inside the Holiest is consecrated for you by the Blood of Jesus. Every step is purified; every step belongs utterly to God.

Already Carried. You are carried through every step of the way inside the Lord Jesus, first as the sacrifice, your sin carried in His death, and second as the scapegoat, your sinfulness carried inside His empty grave. When you see your flesh as the Lord Jesus, flesh of His flesh, then the Veil is the wideopen door into everything of God.

Jesus, your High Priest, is your connecting energeia in every step, connecting you in all ways with God. You approach (to connect with) everything you find inside the Holiest – all the fulness of God inside of you.

Sprinkled with Blood. You approach everything inside the Holiest with a true heart, filled with Jesus and with full assurance of faith (the faith of the Son of God).

Your heart is sprinkled clean from an evil consciousness. That is an incredible statement, for the Blood of Christ is sprinkled only once, upon the Mercy Seat of God inside His own Being. Your own heart is that very Mercy Seat.

Your physical body, and everything in your life experience, is washed with pure water. That is, everything outward regarding you and surrounding you is continuously pure, coming out of the goodspeaking of Jesus.

7.3 Your Third Encounter with Jesus

I want you to think back, now, to your season of enjoying all the wonder of the Holy Place. During that season, you ate of Jesus as a living word, asking God to fulfill His word in you and believing you had received. The words of the Bible became alive as Christ in you. You walked in the anointing of the Holy Spirit, as the Spirit of God revealed Christ to

you. You moved in the gifts and authority of the Spirit in blessing others. And you learned the great aroma or value to God of giving thanks in and for all things, especially that which is difficult. You sought, with others, to go on into an ever-deeper knowledge of and walk with God.

A Third Barrier. It wasn't long, however, before you hit a brick wall dead on. You perceived another great barrier between yourself and the knowledge of God. And you perceived that barrier to be your flesh, the desires and inclinations of your body that, to you, seemed to operate always in opposition to the life of the Spirit.

So, misreading Romans 7, you set yourself on the task of subduing the flesh, of breaking the "bonds" you received from Adam, the task of hearing God speak and doing what He said. Yet you failed, completely and absolutely, at the whole business of obeying the Spirit; you could not enter into the Holiest. And in your ruin, you came before God a third time, this time in the deepest of desperation and hopelessness.

To Know God. You knew that you needed to know God and you knew that you could not grasp such a thing. This is age-unfolding life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent (John 17:3). – Having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh (Hebrews 10:19-20). In that moment of desperation, you entered into a third agreement with God.

You see, in the days and moments before you entered into this third agreement with God, you found yourself pondering deeply two words – one sacrifice for sins forever (Hebrews 10:12) and – I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me (Galatians 2:20).

Christ, not I. Christ, not "I." His flesh, not "my" flesh. And in that moment of your third agreement with God, you agreed to allow Jesus to be your flesh, to be that very thing that you imagined standing between you and knowing God. The full knowledge of Christ now living as you in all ways filled all the pathways of your consciousness.

Before you entered into that agreement, you were incapable of seeing your inability EVER to please God, you were incapable of knowing the Holiest, and you were incapable of receiving Christ Jesus as being the only life you are. Here are the words that could define the philosophy by which you lived: "I've got my flesh under control; I will do what God says. I will prove to God that 'I' love Him."

Jesus IS Become You. Yet something else was happening in the heavens all around you, inside your absolute reality, things of which you were quite unaware. Another Person had set His intentions upon you.

Two thousand years ago a Man, an eternal, all-here-now Man, had dropped to His knees a third time in Gethsemane. And through that third hour on His knees, this Man, in agony of soul, agreed with God: "Not My will but Thine be done." What was this agreement with God? Jesus agreed, in that moment, to become your flesh, to become all the perversity of your own ways always seeming to be contrary to the Spirit.

Jesus agreed to become you.

One Flesh with Him. For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two {Christ and you} shall become one flesh" (Ephesians 5:30-31). How could Jesus become your flesh? How could Jesus become you? – He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for you!

When Jesus said "Not My will but Thine be done" the third time, you were already there inside of Him, speaking those words. Jesus had become you. Jesus had become all of the filthiness of your flesh, all of your separation from God. And you, there inside of Jesus, spoke through His mouth the words that allowed God to bring you, one day, into that agreement with God that you and Jesus already made together.

The Final Surrender. In some ways you had come full circle back to your first agreement with God. For surrendering yourself to Jesus, to allow Him to BE all of your present sinfulness, to be your present self, to allow Him to be you, this surrender is the greatest surrender of all.

And you knew three things in that moment as Jesus Himself carried you through the Veil into the Holiest, into John 14:20. You knew that you were incapable of ever living the Christian life. You knew that you were incapable of ever pleasing God. And you knew that you could not fix yourself nor anyone else. You needed Someone else to become your life, to become you. Nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ – Christ who is our life (adding Colossians 3:3).

Sinking into Jesus. For God's next season in your life, you sank into the utter rest of knowing that Jesus Himself lives as you, that He carries all that you are inside Himself inside of Father every moment. And you began to rejoice inside of John 14:20. In that day {this third day of agreement with God} you shall KNOW that I am IN the Father and you IN Me and I IN you.

And the meaning of these words became the meaning of your life. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness in the day of judgment; because as He is, so are we in this present world (1 John 4:17). As Jesus IS, right now, so you are in every present moment. And as Jesus

rose to His feet the third time in Gethsemane, so you did as well entirely inside of Him. Jesus is become you.

From Glory to Glory. But when you entered into Jesus as your only life, you left many people just like you once were. They do not agree with God; they are convinced they can live the Christian life by their own effort. They fantasize themselves seeking God's will and doing it. You agree with God; you know you cannot live the Christian life, but another Person must take all your flesh upon Himself, that you might be His Body, His expression of Himself as you.

And there are no more barriers ahead, no more brick walls against which to crumble. Yes, there are transitions ahead inside this walk inside of Jesus, but those transitions are from glory to glory, the easy expression of Jesus Himself living as you. But we all, with unveiled face, reflecting as a mirror {our own face} the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory (2 Corinthians 3:18).

I in You. I want to talk about that first period of time in which you found yourself entirely inside of Jesus, inside the Holiest, one flesh with the Lord Jesus, Christ Himself now living as you. Now that you were living entirely and only inside of the Lord Jesus Christ, inside of John 14:20, having stepped through the cross in confidence, you realized that knowing this Christ was now your entire pursuit.

Yes, Jesus had become you, and knowing what that really meant consumed the passion of your heart. You knew that Gethsemane was fulfilled inside of you, that all that you are, including your sin and your shame, existed only inside of Jesus. Now you longed to know how every element of the Atonement had become a description of you.

Perfect Rest. You were hit with much accusation through this time; you were now a target of the evil one, a threat to his continuance. Yet you

learned to put all of your own personal awfulness into the Lord Jesus, knowing that He shares everything with you. You learned to hear Him say to you, "This is my own frustration that I am sharing with you. Let's together place our shared difficulty into the Father's love."

And when you did something you knew was wrong, you did not hold onto it or call it your own, but you placed it entirely into Jesus dead upon the cross. You would not listen to any voice of accusation; you knew that Jesus was all there was in you. Through much opposition you entered into His perfect rest.

The Blood. The accusation still came, though you would not hear it. You could not see any charge laid against you because your eyes were covered with blood. Everything you saw, you saw through blood. You no longer had to pretend to be "holy"; you could just be yourself. And as you learned to enjoy Christ as you, the things you once did that hurt other people began to diminish. You no longer needed to "defend yourself"; the blood continuously carried away all consciousness of sins.

But then a stirring came to you, no longer the barrier you had known before, but a reaching forward to the next joy of knowing Jesus.

Speak Christ. You heard the words, "Speak Christ. Speak what God says you are." And you began to speak Christ personal as yourself. You spent many tear-filled times seeing the Lord Jesus in every moment of your past, there with you, living as you, carrying even your wrongful actions entirely inside Himself. You knew He did not intend the evil things you did, but He intended you, and bore even that wrong action as His own.

At the same time, you spoke all of Christ as He is now, all the story of His life, all through your own present story. Through this wonderful season in your life, your story and Jesus' story became so

intertwined that, looking across your days, all you could see was one seamless story of Christ.

Led in Triumph. At times you wondered, "Did I miss out because of my inability to respond to God?" But you spoke the answer yourself: "God always leads me in triumph. All of His ways concerning me are perfect. He has never led me wrong. He has never not led me."

At the same time, you learned to be honest and real. You realized that "walking in the light" had nothing to do with pretending that you were holy. Rather, it simply meant to be honest in all things. When you treated someone badly, it was no longer a problem to say, "I'm sorry, please forgive me. I was wrong." The honesty of light released you from all your former falseness.

Yet again, a new desire arose in you, a longing to know the Lord Jesus as you never had before. You knew that Christ is the Redeemer, and that God was also in you, reconciling the world to Himself (2 Corinthians 5:19).

The Most Important Place. Now, this new place of knowing God, this wonder of sharing heart with the Father, we will explore in the next two chapters. In the remainder of this chapter you must be rooted and grounded in the most important place now and forever, the ONLY place you live, the ONLY thing that salvation is and means.

Salvation IS living inside of John 14:20. – In that day you will know that I am in the Father and you in Me and I in you.

(Shout these words out loud.) In this day {the
Today of Salvation}, KNOW that I, Jesus, am inside
of our Father and you, (speak your own
name) ARE inside of ME, and I AM inside of you

7.4 Living in John 14:20

In that day you shall know that I am IN My Father and you IN Me and I IN you.

Romans 8:29 governs how we know God's intentions and thus, how we read the Bible. It gives us the framework for the larger picture. But John 14:20 is the primary verse of our personal salvation. Here is where we live, now, and forever.

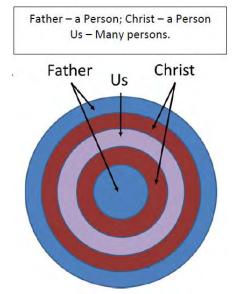
To put it quite simply. You live inside of another Person who, Himself lives inside of you. At the same time, this other Person inside of whom you live, also lives inside of another Person, the Father, who also lives inside of Him.

The Verses of Symmorphy. Here are the verses that show this living arrangement of person inside of Person that Paul called "symmorphy."

That where I AM, there you may be also. – He who has seen Me has seen the Father. – Believe that I am IN the Father, and the Father in Me. – Know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. – We will come to him and make Our home with him (John 14:3, 9-10, 20 & 23).

That they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us. – that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one (John 17:21-23). Begin to take note of how symmorphy also connects together all who believe in Jesus.

Utterly Enclosed. Consider the diagram carefully. It depicts where you live right now and your dwelling place forever. I am IN My Father and you IN Me and I IN you.



You were created by God to contain another Person inside yourself AND to live yourself inside of that other Person. More than that, this other Person, Jesus, not only Himself lives inside a third Person, but also connects you to that third Person.

We Know a Man. There are many, many reasons why Jesus is in-between you and Father in this symmorphic relationship. More than that, Jesus is also in-between you and all your fellow believers inside this same place. One of the primary reasons we live in Jesus first is that Jesus remains a human. We know a Man.

Yet, at the same time, Jesus is also in the form of a life-giving Spirit, which means the Jesus inside of me is the same Personal Jesus who is inside of you. More than that, Jesus shares the same relationship with the Father that He shares with us. For that reason, everything that is of an invisible God comes to us as and through a human Person living as Himself in each one of our hearts.

Changing Your Thinking. Now, it is true that you have never thought in this way before, that you live inside of another Person who lives inside of you. And it takes some years of thinking that is, as Paul said, the renewing of our minds (Romans 12:2), in order for this reality to become utterly known to each of us personally. Yet as you learn to live IN this Jesus who Himself lives IN you, as you learn to think in that way through every day and circumstance, it becomes a real and natural and living relationship.

Symmorphy IS what you are and how you live. John 14:20 is already your only reality, learn to think of yourself in this way as your entire story of self.

Never Alone. Here is one of the keys in the Bible to understanding God and man as mirror images of each other. And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him [of his same kind]" (Genesis 2:18). Over and over, God saw everything He created as being good. Yet now, He calls "being alone" "NOT GOOD."

Jesus expressed the same thing. In referring to Himself as the One Seed of God to be planted in the earth, He said that if He is not planted in us, He would remain alone. Jesus agreed with God and endured all suffering "for the joy set before Him" – never being alone again. Jesus said to God, "I desire that those whom You gave Me might be with Me" (John 17:24).

Father as Well. And so I have learned to live and to think about myself. I am never alone. I live always inside another Person who lives inside of me. And this other Person is my best Friend, Someone I know well.

More than that, this other Person, Jesus, is always connecting me with Father, a wondrous Being whom I could not know except through the human life-giving Spirit that is Jesus. And, astonishingly, this Mighty and Wondrous God also lives inside of me inside of Jesus and I also live inside of Him because I live inside of Jesus.

And so I know my Father as I know Jesus. I am never alone.

The Largest Word. Think about the word "in." I use a *Webster's Exhaustive Dictionary*, seven inches thick. Each large page contains three columns of fine print. The word "in" covers an entire page, more than any other English word (I suspect, though I have not proven it out.) No other word comes close to all the differing shades of meaning that are found inside of "in," all the differing places it fits and all the differing ways it connects things together.

The Greek equivalent, *en*, is similar. Greek also uses *eis*, which is close to our English, "into." I like translating *en* as "inside of" because it makes it stand out, whereas the human mind so often misses the power of "in."

Know Your Beloved. Do you see, now, how vital it is for you to know Jesus AS HE IS, and that you ARE just like Him. For how else could you live inside of all that Salvation is and means. You are already there, inside of all the fulness of Salvation, and all the revelation of God is already coming through you.

But you don't KNOW what is already true.

Now, you might think that I am not "explaining" this verse like I explain other verses. And you are right. When a third party introduces you to someone who will become more than the love of your life, you don't spend time having the third party "explain" this wondrous Someone to you. You yourself must spend time with Him.

Sandwiched. Look back again at the diagram depicting the living relationship that is your life forever. Notice how SANDWICHED in you are, utterly enclosed inside of mighty and wondrous Persons. More than that, Jesus on the inside of you

KEEPS you, and Jesus on the outside of you is always making you holy.

But then look at how Jesus is also sandwiched in-between you and Father on the outside of you and you and Father on the inside of you. Paul says that everything of your life and person comes to you out FROM Father, but THROUGH Jesus. But we are not speaking of unknowable and far-away entities, but of personal Persons close and real, our own heart and breath.

Our Connection with Father. This function of Jesus, connecting you always to Father and Father to you inside and out is the function of the High Priest.

Here is how Jesus defined Himself as our Connection with Father. As the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself – even so the Son gives life to whom He will (John 5: 26 & 21). Jesus, inside of Father, One with Him, takes whatever quality Father is inside of Himself and becomes that same thing inside of you and as you.

It works the same in the other direction as well, Jesus takes whatever quality you are in yourself and becomes that same thing inside of Father as you. Jesus makes God, meek and lowly of heart, part of you and you part of that same personal Father.

Knowing Jesus As He Is. Living inside of Jesus and Jesus inside of you is what you are made for, its where you fit, the only BELONGING. Here are the next vital parts of knowing Jesus as He is.

- 19. The Blood removes all consciousness of sins. By the blood, you never see yourself as "fallen short" or "disconnected" from God in any way, ever.
- 20. The boldness of a true heart alone takes believers into everything inside of God. An aggressive desire to know and to live inside of God is the only thing that pleases Him.

21. Believers live only inside of Jesus and Jesus inside of them. This symmorphic relationship is Salvation, now and forever, the only place you live, the place where you BELONG.