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In this second volume of *God Magnified*, our journey continues around the porch of the eternal “dwelling place,” which the Persons of the Trinity not only *share*, but which the three Eternals *are*. Into this mutual indwelling or relational ‘domain’ of **fusion Oneness** known as “the kingdom of God,” we have been invited.

We will not spend time here reviewing volume one; however, this study is a *progressive magnification* of the triune God in which each ‘pillar’ serves as a lens to see and ‘enter’ the next. A foundational understanding of what it means to worth-ship God by magnification, as well as the five, previous “God is” statements that we opened in volume one, will greatly help you to pioneer forward into this unfolding revelation of *The Fusion of the Trinity* contained in the Scriptures.

### God Magnified:

God is an “**Us**”—three Individuals (Gen 1:26, 3:22, 11:7; Isa 6:8).

“God is **one**” (Deut 6:4; Mark 12:29).

“God is **Agape**” (1John 4:8, 16).

“God is a **sun**” (Psalm 84:11).

“**Holy, Holy, Holy** is the Lord God, the Almighty” (Rev 4:8; Isa 6:8).

“God is **Light**” (1John 1:5).

“The eternal God is a **dwelling place**” (Deut 33:27).

“God is “**in Christ**” (Col 2:9; 2Cor 5:19; Eph 4:32).

“God is **Spirit**” (John 4:24).

“God is **true**” (John 3:33).

“The Lord is a God of **justice**” (Isa 30:18).

“The Lord, whose name is **Jealous**, is a jealous God” (Ex 34:14).

“God is a **consuming fire**” (Deut 4:24; Heb 12:29).

God is Three sacrificial **Self-sharers**.

## 6. “God is Light”

“God is **light**” (1John 1:5), “God **dwells** in unapproachable **light**” (1Tim 6:16), *and* “the eternal God is a **dwelling place**” (Deut 33:27). In order to explore the dwelling place of the mutual indwelling (fusion) of the Father, Son, and Spirit, first we must magnify and understand natural and spiritual light.

Among Einstein’s interconnected theories of relativity (matter and energy) and time and space, he unveiled an extensive new understanding of the nature and properties of light. In 1905, he accurately proposed that *light* is made up of a stream of tiny particles called *photons*. These

light-particles emanate profusely from the Sun—the star and nucleus around which Earth orbits at just the right distance to sustain life. Light is the energy-bearing, life-producing ‘yield’ of atomic nuclear fusion. **Photosynthesis** [*photon-synthesis*] causes growth, fruit-bearing, and life.

Further, Einstein accurately proposed that time stands still (stops) at the speed of light; therefore, **light does not age**. Natural light itself seems to mark the threshold of a realm outside of time. In physical science, light is the regulatory standard of the natural universe, which touches on **metaphysical dimensions**. Again, the Scriptures do not teach *pantheism*. God is *not* natural photons of light; “God is Spirit,” yet the source, properties, and effects of *natural* light were clearly intended to reveal something fundamental about the eternal, uncreated, *spiritual* nature of the triune Creator—“God is Light.”

Single beams of natural light are comprised of a **spectrum** of diverse colors fused as one. The spectrum of light is continuous, with no clear boundaries between one color and the next. When the Spirit spoke to me saying, “Study the science of fusion,” I focused on atomic nuclear fusion, but I also began an elementary study of the light spectrum.

During those months of research, a British prophet visited me in Father’s House in Uganda. The man is a long-time friend of my Dad’s and

expressed deep gratitude for the way my Dad, as a spiritual father, greatly encouraged and strengthened him in his prophetic gift as a young man. I had not seen this prophet in many years, and he did not know the Spirit was cultivating in me the message *The Fusion of the Trinity*. As Suzanne and I visited with he and his wife on the back porch, I began to sense he was sent by the Lord with a particular message. At length, he said,

I have a word from the Lord for you. I see the mantle and anointing of your father now resting upon you; but there is also something on you which was not upon him. The Lord says to you “THREE, THREE, THREE!” I see **three** oils of anointing of different **colors** running down upon you as **one**. I know anointing oil is one color, but there are *three* oils, each a unique color, flowing as *one* upon you.

In the natural creation, there are **three primary colors** (blue, yellow, and red) from which all other colors and shades of color are derived. The mixture (fusion) of the three primary colors yields an infinite variety of color. As the three primary colors overlap and interpenetrate one another, the ‘color wheel’ is revealed.

Each of the three Persons of God is eternal—a **Primary**. Each of the Three is unique, with His own heart, mind, and will. As Individuals, the Father, Son, and Spirit differ from One Another, yet They share the same sacrificial Self-giving DNA. The ‘**spectrum**’ of the ‘**three Primaries**’ in fusion Oneness is **Light**. The three eternal, primary Beings interpenetrating One Another in fusion is the source of the creative *in-gen-uity* of God—a natural and spiritual universe made up of what seems to be an infinite diversity of color and spectrums of light: “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness” (Gen 1:26). Light is *diversity* in fusion *Oneness*, the multi-dimensional dynamic of “**Us**.” Darkness is one-dimensional: **me**.

### “UNAPPROACHABLE LIGHT”

Magnifying “God is Light” further reveals why **Agape is omnipotent**. The interpersonal, relational, *fusion dynamic* of three Holy Individuals in sacrificial self-giving Oneness is a true Light before which all forms, depths, and powers of darkness are forced to flee. By its very nature, true Light displaces and overcomes darkness. “God is **Light** [*a Trinity in Agape fusion*], and in Him there is **no darkness** [*eros, fission*] at all” (1John 1:5). The triune-HOLY abide in One Another in a life-giving ‘nuclear reactor core’ called “the Holy of Holies:”

God [“*a sun*”], who gives life [*photosynthesis*] to all things [*both natural and spiritual*]... alone possesses immortality and **dwells in unapproachable light**, whom no [*de-gene-rate*] man has seen or can **see** (1Tim 6:13-16).

The triune God of Light dwells in an ***eros-free zone***—“no darkness at all.” When the prophet Isaiah saw the glory of this “*unapproachable Light*” generated from the perpetual fusion of “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY,” he said, “Woe is me, for **I am ruined** [*decaying in fission*]!” (Isa 6:5). Peter glimpsed this “*unapproachable Light*” residing in the Nucleus of Christ—“the Holy One of God”—and “he fell down at Jesus’ feet, saying, ‘Go away from me Lord, for **I am a sinful** [*de-gene-rate*] **man!**’” (Luke 5:8). Knowing that Adam had bought “the lie” and sold himself into darkness, God asked, “Where are you?” Adam answered, “I heard the sound of You in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked [*self-conscious in eros*]; so **I hid myself** [*in darkness*]” (Gen 3:7-10).

This is the judgment, that the Light [*Nucleus of the fusion of the Trinity*] has come into the world, and [*de-gene-rate*] men **loved the darkness** [*self-love, eros, fission*] **rather than the Light** [*God, Agape, fusion*], for their deeds were evil [*predatory self-gratification*] (John 3:19).

The Source of Light is the energy-bearing, life-giving yield of the fusion Oneness of the Three. However, Light is more than just what the Self-giving Trinity *produces*, “God *is* Light.” Glory, Agape, Holy, and Light all describe the same essential DNA of the triune God. Further, in self-love and self-will, we human beings do not just *do* sin, we *are* sin—we are *de-gene-rate*. Eros is our essential genetic make-up: “for **you were formerly darkness** [*de-gene-rate*], but now **you are Light** [*re-gene-rated*] in the Lord; walk as **children of Light** [*in self-sacrificial fusion, no longer in self-love and fission*]” (Eph 5:8). As *de-gene-rate* human beings we are unable to see the triune God, much less enter into Them, until we are *re-gene-rated* in Agape, in holiness, into the Light that They *are*:

For you are all **sons of light** [*DNA-match with the triune-Light*] and **sons of day** [*resurrected, re-born in fusion*]. We are not of **night** nor of **darkness**; so then let us not **sleep** [*in self-consciousness, self-focus*] as others do, but let us be **alert** and **sober** [*‘alive’ in reciprocal gene-rosity to God in Christ*] (1Thess 5:5).

Among the beatitudes, Jesus declared, “Blessed are the **pure in heart** [*eros-free, holy*] for they shall **see** God [*the un-see-able, unapproachable Light*]” (Mt 5:8). *Re-gene-ration* in the fuse-able, eros-free DNA of God means we are progressively

*naturalized* into the Light that the triune God is; therefore, not only are we able to *see* and *approach* the “unapproachable Light” but actually *enter into* the Light: “**standing in the sun**” (Rev 19:17).

The Father, Son, and Spirit now work together to cleanse us of the darkness of “the lie” of self-love and mature us in “the Truth” of the Light of Agape, into Their own image and likeness: “His bond-servants will serve Him; they will **see** His face, and His name will be on their foreheads [*mind renewed in Truth: agape rationale*]” (Rev 22:3-4). The triune God is *de-fusing* our *confusion* with darkness and *in-fusing* us with Their own Light, the same Light that “God is.”

Do not be bound together [*con-fused*] with unbelievers; for what partnership has righteousness [*Agape*] and lawlessness [*eros*]; or **what fellowship has light with darkness?** Or what harmony has Christ with Belial [*lit. ‘Worthless’*], or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever? (2Cor 6:14-15).

The omnipotent, “unapproachable Light” of the triune God *exposes* the darkness of self-love: “The spirit of a man is the **lamp** of the Lord, searching all the innermost parts of his body [*DNA*]....Haughty eyes and a proud heart [*self-worth-ship*]—the **lamp** of the wicked is **sin** [*eros*,

*darkness*]" (Pro 20:17; 21:4). Jesus affirmed this reality: "But if your eye is bad [*self-focus*], your whole body will be full of **darkness** [*the lie*]. If then the **light** [*eros, self-love*] that is in you is **darkness** [*Agape with hypocrisy*], how great is the **darkness!**" (Mt 6:23). "You have sinned [*self-worth-ship, self-will*] against the Lord [*Light*], and be sure your sin [*darkness*] will find you out" (Num 32:23). Omnipotent Light is the basis of "the fear of the Lord"—a powerful motivator to cooperate with the Spirit in our progressive *re-gene-ration* "from glory to glory," *out* of darkness and *into* the DNA of Light:

Now, little children [*not yet perfected in eros-free DNA*], abide in Christ [*the Nucleus of Light*], so that when He appears [*returns in full, unshielded Light*], we may have confidence [*that we are a DNA-match*] and not **shrink away** [*in fission*] from Him in **shame** at His coming (1John 2:28).

The Scriptures describe how the triune God *re-gene-rates* us "who were formerly darkness" into this "unapproachable Light," but how does this radical transformation happen without destroying us in the process? Where could it even begin?

## “GOD IS A SUN AND A SHIELD”

For the Lord God is a **sun** [*unapproachable Light*] and a **shield** [*protecting us from full exposure to Themselves*]; the Lord gives **grace** [*patiently covering eros, darkness*] and **glory** [*progressively re-gene-rating the willing into His ‘fuse-able’ DNA of Light*] (Ps 84:11).

Since mankind *sold* Truth and *bought* “the lie” in Eden, the omnipotent, triune-God of sacrificial Self-giving has demonstrated the sustained strength of meekness: “agape covers a multitude of sins” (1Pet 4:8). At the very moment God was writing the ten commandments as a covenant (basis of relationship) between Himself and Israel whom He ransomed from Egypt, the people were making a golden calf (an idol of indirect self-worth-ship) and were “let loose” in the instinctual, beast-like behavior commensurate with their dark, *de-gene-rate* nature (Ex 32:25). Yet, God persevered: “**He who conceals a transgression seeks love**” (Pro 17:9). In Agape, the triune-Light patiently absorbed the shameful agony of Israel’s unfaithfulness and suffered their darkness, in hope of relational Oneness, fusion.

The Lord spoke to Moses [*after the golden calf*], “Depart, go up from here, you and the [*unworthy*] people...to the land of

which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, ‘To your descendants **I will give it** [*‘He swears to His own hurt and does not change’*].’ I will send an angel before you and I will drive out the Canaanite.... Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; for **I will not go up in your midst**, because you are an obstinate people [*unholy, de-gene-rate in self-will*], and I [*triune-HOLY, omnipotent Light*] might **destroy you** [*who ‘are darkness’*] on the way.” When the people heard this sad word, they went into mourning...for the Lord had said to Moses, “Say to the sons of Israel, ‘You are an **obstinate people** [*unholy ‘individualists’*]; should I go up in your midst for one moment, I would **destroy you**’” (Ex 33:1-5).

It was one thing to get the people of Israel out of Egypt; it was another thing to get Egypt out of the people. It is one thing to get us out of darkness (salvation as legalized adoption), but it’s another thing to get darkness out of us (salvation as naturalization, *re-gene-ration*). As the story goes, Moses pleaded with God to accompany his *de-gene-rate* people and God consented; **Light sacrificially forbearing darkness** (Ex 33:12-16).

We live in an age of God’s extravagant mercy and patience—**an age of shielded Light**—which

will not last forever. Jesus described His second coming: when He returns all mankind “will **see** the Son of Man coming in a cloud with [*omnipotent fusion*] **power** and great **glory** [*omnipotent, unshielded Light*]” (Luke 21:27). In a sense, the judgment of God upon darkness will be *effortless*—the Trinity in Christ, Who yearn to know and be known in boundless, eros-free relationship, will simply **drop the shield** and come in the *fullness* of the Light and Power that They truly are: “Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence [*omnipotent, unshielded Light*] earth and heaven fled away [*in fission*], and **no place** was found for them [*to hide in darkness*]” (Rev 20:11).

“God is a sun,” *and* the triune God is HOLY (eros-free), *and* “God is a consuming fire” (Deut 4:24; Heb 12:29). When **unshielded Light** comes, darkness will simply cease to exist. However, those who actively wait for Him; who practice reciprocal, sacrificial self-giving with God and one another; who cooperate in the process of *re-gene-ration*; and “**who have loved** [*agape*] **His appearing** [*lit. brightness*]” (2Tim 4:8), these will not “*shrink away*” from the unshielded Light in self-preservation but *run into* the “consuming fire” in self-sacrifice and be perfected in Light:

Beloved [*inheritance for whom God waits*], now we are children of God

[*legally adopted*], and it has not appeared as yet what we will be [*the process of our naturalization into the Light of God's fuse-able DNA is incomplete; we are half-formed*]. We know that when He [*Nucleus of the triune-Light*] appears, we will be like Him [*perfected in eros-free Oneness*], because we will **see Him** [*the un-see-able*] just as He is [*in full, unshielded, radiant Light*] (1John 3:2).

In the Old Testament, the **veil** of the Holy of Holies represented the mercy of shielded Light. God was, indeed, dwelling in the midst of His *de-gene-rate* people, yet the *Shekinah* (Light of the fusion of the Trinity) resting above the mercy seat on the ark was veiled. However, a **new era of shielded Light** was inaugurated in the coming of the God-Man Jesus Christ—“**the Light of the world**” (Jn 8:12; 9:5). In Christ, the triune God was both “**a sun and a shield**” to mankind on earth. “For in Christ [*the Nucleus*] all the fullness of deity [*omnipotent Light of the fusion of the Trinity*] dwells in bodily form [*enfleshment*]” (Col 2:9). Jesus, the incarnated Son of God, was the Nucleus of the triune-Light, yet His human **flesh** covered, veiled, and shielded what was contained within: “Christ is the **radiance of God's glory**” (Heb 1:3).

“The veil, that is, His flesh...” (Heb 10:20).

Outwardly, the Man Jesus “has no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor appearance that we should be attracted to Him” (Isa 53:2). Yet, at the appointed time, Jesus led Peter, James, and John to a mountain and “He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the **sun**, and His garments became as white as **light**” (Mt 17:2). God placed the earth at a precise distance from the sun to produce and sustain life, and tempered its radiant heat by atmospheric layers that shield us from overexposure. In like manner, the omnipotent triune-Light (“God is a sun”) gave Themselves to us *clothed* in the **flesh** of Jesus, **veiled** in precise measure to *gene-rate* and sustain Life without destroying us.

## THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

“The people who were sitting in **darkness** [*eros captives*] saw a **great Light**, and those who were sitting in the land and **shadow of death** [*fission decay*], upon them a **Light dawned**” (Mt 4:16). Mankind sits shackled in the darkness of ‘*me, now;*’ we are decaying captives of “the lie.” Moved by superabundant Agape, the three ‘Primarys’ revealed Themselves in **one glorious Beam of Light**. Dwelling in one Nucleus in the midst of the darkness of mankind on the earth, the full spectrum and splendor of the fused Trinity shone in and through the God-Man Jesus Christ—the

radiance of God's glory." Though this Beam of Light was sent down from above, "God in Christ" did not shine *down* on mankind, Jesus shone horizontally—*Man to man*.

Because of the tender mercy [*Agape*] of our God, with which the **Sunrise** from on high will visit us [*Trinity in fusion in Immanuel*], to shine upon those who sit in **darkness** [*eros*] and the shadow of **death** [*fission decay*], to guide our feet into the way of **peace** [*fusion Oneness in Agape*] (Luke 1:78-79).

The triune-Light in Christ came into the darkness of this world (Satan's usurped territory: 2Cor 4:4), as well as into the midst of *de-generate*, predatory human beings who *are* darkness. He came to guide us into "God is a dwelling place"—the kingdom of the fusion Oneness of the triune God—a safe, peaceful, eros-free 'nest of rest' made possible by reciprocal sacrificial self-giving. "Jesus again spoke to them, saying, 'I am the **Light** of the world; he who **follows Me** will not walk in the **darkness** [*eros individualism, decay*], but will have the **Light of life** [*fuse-able DNA, fusion Oneness*]...While I am in the world, I am the **Light** of the world'" (Jn 8:12; 9:5).

The Apostle John opened his gospel by *magnifying* the origin and identity of this "Sunrise:"

In the beginning was the Word [*Son*], and the Word was with God [*three Primaries*], and the Word was God [*a Primary*]....In Him was life [*Nucleus of the fusion of the Primaries*], and the life was the **Light** of men [*Source of fuse-able DNA*]. The **Light** [*triune Spectrum in one Beam*] shines in darkness [*into mankind in eros, fission*], and the darkness did not comprehend it [*eclipsed by self-worth-ship*]....There was the true [*gen-uine*] **Light** which, coming into the world, **enlightens** every man [*exposes "the lie," reveals the Truth*].

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him [*Prototype Son*], and the world [*alienated, orphaned in darkness*] did not know Him. He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him [*Antidote*], to them He gave the right to become the [*gen-uine*] children of God, even to those who believe into His name [*relocate into the Nucleus*], who were **born** [*re-gene-rated*] not of blood nor of the will of the flesh [*eros heredity*] nor of the will of [*de-gene-rate*] man, but of God [*fuse-able DNA: Agape, Holy, Light*]. And the Word became **flesh**, and dwelt among us, and **we saw His glory** [*veiled in necessary*]

*measure*], glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth [*exact Agape DNA-match*] (John 1:1-14).

Nearing “the hour” of His betrayal and crucifixion, Jesus’ soul became increasingly “troubled” and “deeply grieved to the point of death.” In that vulnerable, weakened state, Jesus was questioned by a suspicious crowd of religious, predatory cynics.

“For a little while longer the **Light** is among you. Walk while you have the Light, so that **darkness** will not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness [*self-love, self-will, self-discovery*] does not know where he goes [*con-fusion with ‘the father of the lie,’ children of wrath*]. While you have the Light [*Three in one Beam*], believe into the Light [*relocate into the Nucleus*], so that you may become **sons of Light.**” These things Jesus spoke, and He went away and **hid Himself** from them [*not yet time to sacrificially feed Himself into their predatory darkness*] (John 12:36).

However, Jesus’ appointed “hour” soon came. Moved by superabundant Agape, “the Son of Man” forfeited His own life for our redemption, *willingly* receiving into His own Person (in Whom

the Trinity was dwelling) the full, destructive power of our darkness. “God made Him who knew **no sin** [*eros-free Light, ‘no darkness at all’*] to **be sin** [*darkness*] on our behalf, so that we might become the **righteousness** of God [*DNA of Light*] in Him” (2Cor 5:21). What killed Jesus was not merely scourging and crucifixion; the primary cause of Jesus’ death was absorbing into Himself the toxic, fission decay of our *de-gene-rate* nature of darkness: “Now from the sixth hour [*noon-day*] **darkness** fell upon all the land until the ninth hour [*3 p.m.*]. About the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, ‘My God, My God, why have you forsaken Me?’” (Mt 27:45-46).

## “SUNRISE” OF THE RESURRECTED MAN

Of course, Jesus’ death and entombment in darkness is by no means the end. Every shadow of night, no matter how deep, is threatened by **morning light**. The act of consummate sacrificial Self-giving on the cross, which the triune God deemed necessary to redeem us from the recesses of the pit of self-love, is an unmistakable indication of the gravity of man’s eros condition in *con-fusion* with Satan and *fission* from the Light and Life of God. It is impossible to comprehend just how deep the **darkness** is that *pervades* man’s *de-gene-rate* nature (including our affections, will, intellect, and behavior), apart from the unfathomable

brutality of Jesus' betrayal, scourging, crucifixion, and death.

However, it is likewise impossible to comprehend **omnipotent Light** apart from "**the power of His resurrection**" (Phil 3:10). Jesus, the Son of Man (our Representative), was "made sin" and therefore devoured by darkness; "His appearance was marred more than any **man** and His form more than the sons of men [*de-generates*]" (Isa 52:14). "But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death [*eros, fission decay*], since it was **impossible for Him** [*the tested, proven Man, perfected in Light*] **to be held in its power**" (Acts 2:24). In resurrection, the omnipotent "Sunrise" conquered *all* darkness.

The "**Sunrise**" of the incarnated ***Son of God*** came upon the world at Jesus' birth and first shone on mankind when He began His public ministry "in the power of the Holy Spirit" (Luke 4:14-15). However, the "**Sunrise**" of the tested, proven, eros-free ***Son of Man*** was an altogether *new* thing, coming in the dawn of the resurrection of that perfected *Man*.

Jesus Christ became **Man** for one purpose, that He might put away sin [*eros, fission, con-fusion*] and bring the whole human race back into the **oneness of identification** [*fusion*]. Jesus Christ is not an individual iota of a man; He is the

whole of the human race centered before God in one Person: He is **God and Man in one** [*Nucleus of the fusion of the Trinity and man*]. Man is lifted up to God in Christ, and God is brought down to man in Christ [*Oneness*] (Oswald Chambers, Complete Works, p 22).

Resurrection power is *re-gene-rative* power. In order for this power to be an effectual **Antidote** for ‘dead,’ *de-gene-rate* human beings, it had to be tested, proven, and perfected in the **first resurrected Man**—our Representative and “Forerunner” (Heb 6:20). In order to “make all things new,” first the Son had to be *made new* Himself as a *Man*. Therefore, the Scriptures reference the resurrected Son as “the **firstborn** of the dead” (Rev 1:5) and “the **firstborn** of all creation” (Col 1:15). The dawn of Jesus’ resurrection was the very first “Sunrise” of a “new creation” in which the Trinity and mankind “made new” could cohabit in fusion, in Light, in one Nucleus.

For if while we were enemies [*of Light*] we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son [*Who conquered our darkness as a Man*], much more, having been reconciled, we shall be **saved** [*re-gene-rated*] **by His life** [*resurrection power in that Man*]....For if by the transgression

of the **one** [*Adam*], **death** reigned through the **one** [*de-gene-rate heredity*], much more those who receive the abundance of grace [*superabundant Agape*] and of the **gift of righteousness** [*eros-free, fuse-able DNA*] will reign in **life** through **One** [*perfected, resurrected Man*], Jesus Christ....For as through the **one** man's [*Adam's*] disobedience the many were made sinners [*de-gene-rate takers*], even so through the obedience [*sacrificial Self-giving*] of the **One** [*Man*] the many will be **made righteous** [*re-gene-rated in eros-free, fuse-able DNA, Light*] (Ro 5:10-19).

In this One Man, our Forerunner, the power of resurrection was proven to effectively raise the “dead” to life—to *re-gene-rate* into the image and likeness of the triune God those *de-gene-rate* captives of “the lie” who awaken to Him, receive Him within, and follow Him: “For you were formerly darkness but now you are Light in the Lord...children of Light” (Eph 5:8). The Son of God (Light) had to become a resurrected Man (Forerunner into Light) in order to be the God-Man Nucleus, which the Trinity and man could cohabit together in the fusion Light of Oneness. “God’s **new beginning** is with His Son as **Man in union** [*fusion Oneness*] **with Himself**” (T. Austin Sparks, That Which Was From the Beginning,

chap 5). Jesus is the first of His kind: a Man in fusion Oneness with God.

Therefore we [*de-gene-rates*] have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ [*the Man*] was raised from the dead through the glory [*omnipotent Light*] of the Father, so we too might walk in **newness of life** [*fusion Oneness in Light*] (Ro 6:4).

The *re-gene-rative* power of resurrection is contained in a *Person*. This power is not merely something Jesus *has* or *does*; it is something He *is*: “**I am the resurrection and the life**” (John 11:25). Jesus Himself is the one and only ***Antidote for the dead***. The Spirit administers this *Antidote* to anyone willing to eat and assimilate the resurrected Man: “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you” (Ro 8:11). This ***Antidote of Light works internally, from the inside out***: “If therefore your whole body is full of light [*resurrected Man ingested, assimilated*], with no dark part in it [*eros-free*], it will be wholly illumined [*re-gene-rated*], as when the lamp illumines you with its rays” (Luke 11:36). In this way we are *naturalized* into the unshielded Light of the triune God.

*De-gene-rate* men have long attempted to ‘**cheat death,**’ but the Son of God didn’t cheat, He won ‘fair and square’ by sacrificial Self-giving. Jesus conquered darkness by perfected Light. Furthermore, He did not win as ‘God;’ **Jesus won as a Man.** In an act of omnipotent Agape, He fed Himself into the mouth of the devourer, into “**the blackness of darkness**” (2Pet 2:17; Jude 13), and conquered it from within, at its core. The Son did not ‘cheat’ darkness by pretense or any self-preserving scheme of eros (hiding, running, fighting, blame-shifting); He faced it head-on as a Man in Light and *beat* it.

We may ask, then, why is Satan and his demonic horde still on the loose, why does the ‘grim reaper’ still roam the earth? As our **Forerunner**, the Son was “**made perfect**” in the Light of Agape as a Man by **overcoming darkness.** Now, in the strength of His Light and Life within, He has purposed for *us* to **overcome** “the father of the lie” in the exact same way He did that the Light of His Agape may also be perfected in us as a **DNA-match.** Our Elder Brother Jesus had a cross, and *we* have a cross (Luke 9:23); by daily “losing our lives” we are perfected in sacrificial self-giving as He was. In this way, Satan, temptation, and darkness actually *serve* God’s purpose—providing the ‘gym’ in which we grow in strength and maturity in the Light that is God in Christ. Overcoming “the evil One” is much like boxing—the champion must

not only learn how to ‘give it’ but also how to ‘take it!’ Jesus won because He knew how to take it. How do we overcome as Jesus did?

You are from God [*receivers of the genuine Seed*], little children [*not yet mature/perfected in Agape DNA*], and have **overcome**; because greater is He [*the perfected Man, resurrected Conquerer*] who is in you than he [*Satan*] who is in the world (1Jn 4:4).

So we have the prophetic word made more sure [*promise of complete re-generation*], to which you do well to pay attention [*magnifying ‘God is Light’*] as to a **lamp** shining in a dark place [*Satan’s world*], until the **day dawns** [*omnipotent resurrection power*] and the **morning star arises** [*resurrected Man matures*] in your hearts (2Pet 1:19).

## PHOTOSYNTHESIS

“God is a sun,” and “God is Light,” and “God is Spirit.” Our natural sun is the spiritual ‘fingerprint’ of the triune God written into Their creation. Atomic nuclear fusion yields enormous amounts of energy, which is conducted in tiny particles of light called photons. Each second,

millions of photons flood every square meter of earth effecting *photosynthesis* in all varieties of vegetation causing them to yield food, release oxygen, and reproduce. In this same way, the Light of the Presence of the Trinity in fusion in the Nucleus of Christ causes spiritual *photosynthesis*—*gene-rative* Life, **growing us** into Their fuse-able image and likeness. “The Lord [*Three in fusion Oneness*] is my **light** [*photosynthesis*] and my **salvation** [*progressive re-gene-ration*]” (Ps 27:1).

Earlier, we reviewed how Saul was radically transformed from a religious predator and “violent aggressor” into a new, fruit-bearing creation named Paul. His *re-gene-ration* began when he encountered the omnipotent, resurrected “Sunrise:”

As I was journeying to Damascus...at **midday**, I saw on the way a **light from heaven, brighter than the sun**, shining all around me and those who were journeying with me. And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me...“Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? ...I AM **Jesus** whom you are persecuting” (Acts 26:12-15).

Saul was a captive of one of the most powerful, deceptive, and impregnable forms of eros darkness—**self-righteousness** rooted in national,

tribal, racial, academic, and performance-based religious pride (Phil 3:4f). In self-deception, Saul believed he knew God and was His appointed, anointed representative as an educated and distinguished Pharisee; however, not only was he in fission from “God in Christ,” he had become an **‘agent of fission’** tearing the “members” of Jesus body apart. In Agape, however, the resurrected Man *dethroned* Saul and ransomed him from the darkness of religious self-focus by His omnipotent Light, a Light that physically blinded Saul. In mercy, the resurrected, ascended Son **unveiled Himself** in just the right measure of intensity to do the job!

After Saul was redeemed from darkness, he could not stop magnifying “the glory of God in the face of Christ,” which he had seen. This unfolding revelation was not merely theological ‘head-knowledge’ or an experiential vision; rather, it was resurrection power. Saul’s sustained exposure to the **photosynthesis** *gene-rated* by this Light progressively *re-gene-rated* him into an altogether new, fruit-bearing creation named Paul. As the Light of God in Christ intensified in and around Paul, he became increasingly ‘alive’ to God and others in agape and progressively grew into a sacrificial self-giving bond-servant and apostle.

Paul wrote, “For God, who said, ‘Light shall shine out of darkness,’ is the One who has shone in our [*dark, de-gene-rate*] hearts to give the **Light**

of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ [*photosynthesis*]" (2Cor 4:6). In Agape, the triune God desired to "make all things new;" therefore, they purposed Their own Light to shine in and transform captives of darkness. God was profoundly glorified in Paul, aka Saul, in this unexpected way. Saul's self-referential, religious aim was to promote himself up the ranks among the Pharisees by persecuting their enemies, the Christians. As a new man in whom the antidotal Seed was growing in the Light and photosynthesis of God in Christ, Paul had a new aim:

That I may know Him and the power of His **resurrection** and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death [*sacrificial self-giving DNA*]; in order that I may attain to the **resurrection** of the dead [*eros-free, fuse-able DNA*]. Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on [*growing in Light*] so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus [*to become a fruit-bearing son, a DNA-match capable of reciprocal Agape in Oneness*]... (Phil 3:10-12).

Paul recognized that our *re-gene-ration* is a **process of photosynthesis**: 1. "The power of

His resurrection” is the starting point; the initial *Antidote* ‘awakens’ us from “the lie” of self-love into Truth, the **Seed** is implanted, quickened, and germinates by Light. 2. “The fellowship of His **sufferings**” provides the opportunity to practice and grow in sacrificial self-giving. 3. “Being conformed to Jesus’ **death**” is the result of suffering—maturing us into an Agape DNA-match with the “well-pleasing Son.” 4. Fully *re-gene-rated* in this fuse-able DNA, we “attain to the resurrection;” that is, in the image and likeness of the Trinity we are ‘**dead**’ to self and ‘**alive**’ to **God and others** in fusion Oneness. In this new extroverted life, we willingly serve the Father, Son, and Spirit, working together with Them in Oneness to resurrect, *re-gene-rate*, and mature others by photosynthesis. Paul explains:

I planted, Apollos watered, but God [*Light of the Trinity in fusion*] was causing the **growth** [*spiritual photosynthesis*]. So then neither the one who plants, nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the **growth** (1Cor 3:6-7).

But we all [*fused together in the Nucleus of Christ*], with unveiled face [*one body with one Face*], beholding as in a mirror the **glory** of the Lord [*Light of the Trinity in fusion in the Nucleus of Christ, one Face*],

are being transformed [*re-gene-rated*] into the same image from **glory to glory** [*photosynthesis*], just as from the Lord, the Spirit (2Cor 3:18).

Our spiritual growth by **photosynthesis** is the means that the triune God has chosen to fulfill, in reality, Their ancient dream: “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness” (Gen 1:26). John concurs:

God is **Light** [*a Trinity in fusion*], and in Him there is **no darkness** [*fission*] at all. If we say that we **fellowship** [*fusion Oneness*] with Him and yet walk in the **darkness** [*fission, con-fusion*], we **lie** [*eros*] and do not practice the **truth** [*Agape*]; but if we [*the members of Christ’s one body*] **walk in the Light** [*practice sacrificial self-giving fusion together in the One Nucleus*] as He is in the **Light** [*the fusion of the Trinity in the One Nucleus*], we have **fellowship** [*eros-free Oneness*] with one another and the blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin [*remnants of our de-gene-rate nature of individualism, darkness, fission*] (1John 1:5-7).

Continuous exposure to the photosynthesis of the triune Light in Christ enables us to “walk in the Light”—to practice and grow in Agape together.

As we daily identify with Christ in His death, eating and assimilating Him, we progressively awaken from death in darkness (self-love) into resurrection Life—fusion Oneness.

But whoever keeps His word [*losing one's autonomous life*], **in him the agape of God** [*fuse-able DNA*] **has truly been perfected** [*assimilated; Love fully reciprocated*]. By this we know that we are [*fused*] in Him: the one [*free individual*] who says he abides in Him ought to walk in the same [*sacrificial self-giving*] manner in which He walked...the **true Light is already shining** [*fusion Oneness of God in Christ*]. The one who says he is in the Light [*fusion Oneness of reciprocal Agape*] and yet hates his brother [*acts in eros, fission*] is in the **darkness** until now [*de-gene-rate*]. The one who loves his brother [*self-sacrificially, unconditionally*] abides in the Light [*Oneness of God*] and there is **no cause for stumbling in him** [*made fit for God's nest of rest*]. But the one who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going because **the darkness** [*"the lie"—self-love*] **has blinded his eyes** (1John 2:5-11).

If we “keep ourselves in the Agape of God” (Jude 21) and the process of corporate *re-generation* and if fusion is given the necessary time and it is not prematurely aborted by the enemy who seeks fission opportunities through our individualism, we awaken to the fact that we are *actually* beginning to reciprocate in sacrificial self-giving through Christ to God and to one another in a Trinity-like way. We awaken from the “dead” to discover we are being effectively fused into the Light of God in Christ and now abide together in the Life of Oneness that is “the kingdom of God.”

**Increasing** [*growth by photosynthesis*] in the true knowledge of God [*magnifying Three in fusion Oneness*], strengthened with all [*fusion*] power, according to His **glorious might** [*omnipotent Agape*], for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience [*sacrificial self-giving DNA matured*]; joyously giving thanks [*reciprocating*] to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the **saints** [*lit. holy ones*] **in Light** [*made fit, by re-generation in fuse-able DNA, to share in the Trinity’s Life of fusion Oneness in Agape*]. For He rescued us from the domain of **darkness** [*eros/fission*] and transferred us to the kingdom of the Son of His Agape [*God-Man Nucleus*]....

...Christ in you [*antidotal Seed*] the **hope of glory** [*Life in the Oneness/Light of God*]. We proclaim Him [*radiate the testimony of the Light*], admonishing every man and teaching every man with all **wisdom** [*Agape rationale*], so that we may present every man **complete** [*lit. perfect; i.e. fuse-able, eros-free*] in Christ. For this purpose also I labor [*working together with Father, Son, and Spirit*], striving according to His [*fusion*] power, which mightily works within me (Col 1:10-13, 27-29).

#### “FATHER OF LUMINARIES”

Every good [*gen-uine*] thing given and every perfect gift [*of Agape*] is from above, coming down from the **Father of lights** [*lit. luminaries; stars*] with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow [*eros-free*] (James 1:17).

The resurrected Man is the “firstborn” of many *re-gene-rated* brothers and sisters fused into His Nucleus. The Light of the glorious, fuse-able DNA of the Trinity in Christ within these *gen-uine* children causes them to radiate in fusion as “luminaries,” “**the stars of God**” (Isa 14:13). It greatly delights Father to demonstrate the **Light of His gene-rosity** in this dark world through **His children**. In Agape, Father has chosen to

send down to the captives of darkness good gifts through *us*—His “luminaries” whom He has adopted and naturalized in His own *gene-rous* image and likeness in His own *gen-uine* Son. Our Elder Brother Jesus said, “**I am the Light of the world;**” then He said,

**You are the light of the world** [*kingdom of re-gene-rated children in fusion in Christ*], a **city** set on a hill cannot be hidden, nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it **gives light** to all who are in the house. Let your **light** [*fuse-able, Agape DNA*] shine before men [*de-gene-rate in darkness, fission*] in such a way that they may see your **good works** [*sacrificial self-giving, gene-rosity*], and glorify your **Father** [*genetic Root, Source*] who is in heaven (Mt 5:14-16).

First, our Holy Father freely gave us the gift of His *gen-uine* **Son**—“the Holy One of God.” The triune God came down to us in human flesh, in the Nucleus of Christ, to *give* Themselves to us in Him and *receive* us into Themselves through Him. Our Father then freely gave us the gift of the **Holy Spirit**: “If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?” (Luke 11:13). Just as the triune

God came down to us in Christ, They have come down in Oneness in the Holy Spirit to implant the Seed of the Son in us and to *re-gene-rate* us into Their own image and likeness: “Because you are sons, God has sent forth the **Spirit of His Son** into our hearts, crying, ‘Abba! Father!’” (Gal 4:6).

Father now freely gives *another* gift to the world—**His own children**. Those who abide in the Nucleus of Christ (the same Nucleus in Whom the Trinity also dwells in fusion) cannot help but shine as “**luminaries**” because the Light of Agape is manifested in their nature, spirit, values, and sacrificial, self-giving behavior. Through the Spirit of His Son indwelling us and us indwelling Them in reciprocal Agape, the Trinity *gene-rously* gives Themselves to the world through us, illuminating the darkness with Life-giving photosynthesis.

Father’s “luminaries” are those who abide in fusion in Christ: “Keep yourselves in the Agape of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life [*perfected Oneness*]” (Jude 21). Father’s “stars” burn in fusion Light not because they are already perfect; the very *process* of *re-gene-ration* produces a dynamic yield of Light. Imperfect, half-formed believers shine with the glory of their Father because they perpetually *feed* on the ‘**fusion fuel**’ of the flesh and blood of the resurrected Man: “Give us this day our daily bread” (Mt 6:11). Daily *infusions* of the ‘One Cake’ contained in Jesus’ flesh is the *essential* ‘fuel’

by which we continue to participate in the fusion dynamic of the Trinity and by which the Light of Their glory is manifested in us.

God designed the human machine to run on Himself. He Himself is the **fuel** our spirits were designed to **burn** [*in fusion*], or the **food** our spirits were designed to **feed on** [*‘One Cake’*]. There is no other. That is why it is just no good asking God to make us happy in our own way [*eros, self-gratification, fission*]....God cannot give us happiness and **peace** [*fusion ‘yield’*] apart from Himself, because it is just not there. There is no such thing (C. S. Lewis, Mere Christianity).

As “fellow-heirs with Christ,” we have inherited our Elder Brother’s **vocation**. Like Jesus, and *in* Jesus, we are called to shine in a world of deep darkness—“shifting shadows,” counterfeits, and eros ‘hooks’—by *practicing* the ‘straight arrow’ of unconditional, sacrificial self-giving. In this way we mature in the likeness of the “well-pleasing” Son and fulfill Father’s ‘big-family dream:’ “For those whom Father foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the **image of His Son**, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren” (Ro 8:29). Father’s Son Jesus made plain for us what this *practice* involves:

You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.” But I say to you, love [*agape*] your enemies and pray for those who persecute you [*practice sacrificial self-giving*], so that you may be **sons** [*DNA-match*] **of your Father** who is in heaven; for He causes His **sun** [*shielded Light of omnipotent fusion*] to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous (Mt 5:45).

It is altogether impossible for human beings to practice, much less mature, in the Light of this *gen-uine* Love apart from constantly ingesting and assimilating the ‘**fusion fuel**’ contained in the Life-giving flesh of the resurrected Son. Yet, when we together, consistently eat Jesus—KABOOM!—it is the kingdom of God!

## BLACK HOLES

To magnify and know “God is Agape” and “God is Light,” it is helpful to understand the *antithesis* of God—eros, darkness, and anti-life. In the physical universe, *black holes* are **burned-out, imploded mega-stars**. *Black holes* have been identified in every observable galaxy, and in our own galaxy there are many. Stars are under two powerful opposing forces: gravitational magnetism

pulling in and nuclear fusion explosions pushing out. When all the fusion material or fuel (hydrogen, etc.) in a star is exhausted, the powerful, gravitational force causes **implosion**.

The drama comes when we try to figure out when and how this implosion ends. The answer is never. The **star shrinks continuously**, compacting its mass and greatly increasing its density. First, it implodes to one-half its original size, then one-tenth, then one-thousandth, then one-trillionth. According to Einstein's theory of general relativity, this star can continue to **exist forever in a state of permanent free fall** without ever reaching the bottom. Such a state of permanent free fall is called a *black hole*.

Because its collapsing density rapidly approaches infinity, the gravitational pull from this **tiny, dimensionless point** is enormous. Anything that comes into the vicinity of a black hole will begin to feel the effects of its **immense gravitational pull**. There is a point of **proximity** to the black hole where it becomes **impossible to escape**. This is called the '**event horizon**'—where the escape velocity becomes greater than the speed of light.

Once past the event horizon, everything is **sucked inside** as if by an enormous vacuum cleaner. Even photons of **light** are captured by it. Thus the name *black hole*. Each object being pulled into the black hole **suffers the same fate**—inexorable compression down to a single point in space, and finally, to zero size....

Only stars one and a half times as massive as our sun are ‘eligible’ to become black holes. If a star does not have sufficient mass, it cannot collapse with sufficient force to trigger the black hole phenomenon (Swenson, More Than Meets the Eye, p153; Swenson’s source: Freeman J. Dyson, Infinite in All Directions, Harper & Row, 1988, p 20).

The archangel ‘Lucifer’ was created to lead all creation on an eternal journey of the magnification and worth-ship of the triune God. He ‘fed’ on the ‘fusion fuel’ of the glory of the Trinity, and therefore he was a **mega-luminary**; his name means ‘light-bearer.’ Yet ‘Lucifer’ became a **black hole**.

How you [*Lucifer*] have fallen from heaven, O **star** of the morning, son of the dawn [*created out of the fusion of the Trinity*]! You have been cut down to the

earth [*fission*], you who have weakened the nations [*with con-fusion*]! But you said in your heart, “I will ascend to heaven; **I will raise my throne above the stars of God** [*sons and daughters manifesting the fusion glory of God*], and I will sit on the mount of assembly [*replace God among His people*]....I will ascend above the heights of the clouds [*Vortex of Trinity*]; **I will make myself like the Most High** (Isa 14:12-14).

‘Lucifer’ was a “star” burning in fusion who fell into ***self-worth-ship***; he ceased feeding on the ‘fusion fuel’ of the Trinity, became ***self-satiated***, and therefore fell into “the blackness of darkness.” **Consuming himself**, he ceased to be a *luminary* and became a ***black hole*** known as Satan or Belial (Worthless)—“the father of the lie” (John 8:44). The eros implosion of this ‘mega-star’ was so mighty that he sucked one-third of the angels of God into darkness with him (Rev 12:4). Satan does not just *do* darkness; he *is* darkness. He is perpetually consumed by envious self-love. Since the creation of mankind, Satan has effectively sucked human beings, designed to be Father’s “luminaries,” into his vortex of darkness and destruction (Luke 10:18).

But if your eye is bad [*self-focus*], your whole body will be full of **darkness** [*self-*

worth-ship, *the lie*]. If then the **light** [*vain-glory, eros*] that is in you is **darkness** [*Agape with hypocrisy*], how great is the **darkness!** (Mt 6:23).

Unfortunately, the spiritual phenomenon of **eros implosion** does not stop with Satan. Countless believers who once shone in fusion power as “stars of God” but who ceased to draw upon the inexhaustible source of ‘fusion fuel’ of the Trinity in Christ have suffered implosion and become **black holes** sucking into their introspective, eros ‘vortex’ of destruction everyone and everything around them. This death-producing dynamic of fission is the polar opposite of photosynthesis.

Like **unreasoning animals** [*self-gratifying*]...these are the men who are **hidden reefs** in your love feasts [*treacherous, camouflaged predators*] when they feast with you without fear, **caring for themselves** [*self-worth-shippers, individualists*]; clouds without water, carried along by winds; autumn trees without fruit [*Agape with hypocrisy*], twice dead, uprooted; wild waves of the sea, casting up their own shame like foam; **wandering stars** [*black holes of fission*] for whom the **blackness of darkness** has been reserved forever (Jude 10-13).

For further understanding of Light and darkness, the Truth and “the lie,” and “the children of God and the children of the devil” (1John 3:10), read Lifechangers *Plumbline* by Eric Mumford entitled *Discerning the Counterfeit*.

But you are a chosen race [*born from above, re-gened DNA-match, gen-uine children*], a royal priesthood [*Family business: generosity*], a holy [*eros-free*] nation, a people for God’s own possession [*reciprocal inheritance*], so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has **called you out of darkness** [*eros, fission*] **into His marvelous light** [*a relational “dwelling place” of fusion Oneness in Agape*] (1Peter 2:9).

Magnifying the God of Agape reveals three Holy Individuals in perpetual fusion—“God is a sun.” Further magnification of this interpersonal, relational dynamic reveals that the triune God not only yields Light, They *are* Light. The Persons of the Trinity live at rest in One Another in a “dwelling place” of “marvelous Light.”

**7. “The eternal God is a dwelling place”** (Deut 33:27).

The “eternal Father” (Is 9:6), the “eternal” Son (1Tim 1:16-17; John 1:1), and the “eternal Spirit”

(Heb 9:14) are relational Beings who dwell outside of time *with* One Another and *in* One Another. The **mutual indwelling** of these Three in fusion Oneness is itself an *uncreated* ‘Home’ called the kingdom of God—“the eternal kingdom” (2Pet 1:11). The Trinity did not need a *created* ‘house;’ Each of the Three is an eternal “dwelling place” for the other Two: “Thus says the Lord, ‘Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me?’” (Isa 66:1).

“God alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light” (1Tim 6:16). Before the triune God created the heavens and the earth or any creature, the three Persons existed in perpetual, Self-giving fusion—**immortal Light**. Jesus, the incarnate God-Man, prayed, “Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself [*fusion Oneness*], with the **glory** [*dwelling place*] which I had with You **before the world was**” (John 17:5). The “living God” is three Immortals ‘alive’ to One Another in the Light of Agape. The Oneness of the Three in this mutual indwelling is called “**eternal life.**”

The “eternal life” of the Trinity does not merely imply *quantity*, an infinite amount of time; it primarily speaks of a **quality of Life**—the superabundant, relational Life in fusion Oneness, which the Father, Son, and Spirit have shared from eternity. The triune God **dwells** in Light; that is, these three *relational* Beings live in the Light,

safekeeping, and peace of the *eros-free* Love of One Another. This “dwelling place” is not tangible bricks and mortar or even a geographical location; rather, the spiritual, relational, interpersonal ‘dimension’ of Oneness is itself the eternal Home of “the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty [*All-Three-Mighty*]” (Rev 1:8).

In this “dwelling place”—*One Agape Life*—there is “no darkness at all.” There is no pride, selfishness, competition, deception, manipulation, exploitation, suspicion, fear, or hiding among the Father, Son, and Spirit; therefore, the Three are entirely at rest in the ‘nest’ of One Another’s sacrificial Self-giving. Apart from the crucifixion and three days in death that “God in Christ” embraced, intentionally allowing Their Oneness to be torn open for our sakes, the Three have been and will always be entirely and eternally at rest in One Another.

Here we **know** only in so far as we **love**.  
Here we know in order to **participate**.  
To know God means to participate in the fullness [*Oneness*] of the Divine Life....  
The three Persons are **deeply bound** to One Another and **dependent** on One Another....By virtue of the love the Father and the Son have for One Another, **They exist totally in the Other** [*Agape fusion*]:

the Father exists, by virtue of His love, as Himself **entirely in** the Son; the Son, by virtue of His **self-surrender**, exists as Himself **totally in** the Father. Each Person finds his existence and His **joy in** the other Person. Each Person receives the fullness of eternal Life from the Other—**perichoresis**....The Son is **eternally with and in** the Father. The Father is **never without** the Son and nowhere acts without Him, just as He is never without, and never acts without, the Spirit (Jürgen Moltmann, The Trinity and the Kingdom, p 108).

## PERICHORESIS

The early church defined this relational, interpersonal dynamic of the triune God (*The Fusion of the Trinity*), using the term **perichoresis**: mutual indwelling and interpenetration without loss of personal identity. Each of the three individual Persons of God gives Himself willingly and wholly into Oneness in the perpetual, fusion dynamic of Agape, and yet Each retains Their individuality.

Genuine acceptance removes fear and hiding and creates **freedom** to know and be known. In this freedom arises a fellowship

so honest and open and real that persons involved **dwell in one another**. There is **union without loss of personal identity**. When one weeps, the other tastes salt. It is only in the Triune relationship of Father, Son, and Spirit that personal relationships of this order exist, and the early church used the word ‘**perichoresis**’ to describe it. The good news is that we have been included in this relationship and it is to be played out fully in us and in all creation (Perichoresis Australia).

In the perpetual, fusion dynamic of Agape, the living God is simultaneously Three *and* One—a Vortex, a pulsing, Life-giving “sun.” Believers in the early church *magnified God* and discovered *perichoresis*. This precious gift from “the Spirit of truth” allows us to understand how each individual Person of the Trinity can ‘lose’ Himself entirely into the other Two in an extreme, Self-forsaking (eros-free) love without ‘losing’ His personal identity or ceasing to be an Individual. Jesus made this eternal Reality simple for us: “Whoever seeks to **keep** his life will **lose** it, and whoever **loses** his life will **preserve** it” (Luke 17:33). It is not necessary for the Father, Son, or Spirit to preserve or promote His own personal identity because the other Two glorify, uphold, and cherish that One’s personal identity *for* Him.

For this reason the Father loves Me [*Agape*], because I lay down My life so I may take it again [*from the Father and the Spirit*]. No one has taken it away from Me [*no coercion*], but I lay it down on My own initiative [*reciprocal sacrificial Self-giving*]. I have authority [*freedom*] to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment [*eternal perichoresis*] I received from My Father (John 10:18).

None of the three Individuals ever speaks of Himself in eros self-reference or self-promotion, only of the other Two: “Let another praise you, and not your own mouth” (Pro 27:2). Further, “**It is not glory to search out one’s own glory**” (Pro 25:27). None of the Three has ever sought His own autonomous glory or power; Each will only receive glory and power for the purpose of revealing the other Two and fulfilling Their shared Life in Oneness. Jesus said, “If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing [*worthless*]; it is My Father who glorifies Me [*perichoresis*]” (John 8:54).

“Jesus said to His disciples, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus said to him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven’” (Mt 16:17). The Persons of God not only glorify One Another,

**They steward and give One Another:** “No one can come to Me unless it has been granted him from the Father....No one comes to the Father but through Me” (John 6:65; 14:6). “The Spirit of truth will not speak on His own initiative.... He will glorify Me, for He will take of Mine and disclose it to you” (John 16:13-14).

In *perichoresis*, the Father, Son, and Spirit shamelessly and jealously cherish, glorify, and ‘promote’ One Another. They celebrate One Another’s individuality; therefore, **‘individualism’ (eros) is unnecessary**. This relational dynamic yields “the **peace** of God, which surpasses all comprehension” (Phil 4:7). In other words, we who were born into the *de-gene-rate* heredity of eros and have only known self-referential darkness cannot even imagine eros-free relationships or the **‘environment’** of security and rest that interpersonal Life facilitates. “The eternal God is a dwelling place;” the three sacrificial Self-giving Persons of God *Themselves* constitute “a dwelling place:” an interpersonal ‘realm’ of peace, a relational ‘atmosphere’ of perichoresis, an eternal **‘nest of rest.’** Together, in Oneness, the Father, Son, and Spirit are “**the God of peace**” (Ro 16:20; 1Cor 14:33; 1Thess 5:23).

## SHARING THE NEST OF REST

Magnifying “God is Agape” reveals that the Father, Son, and Spirit are not only sacrificial

Self-givers, They are *sacrificial Self-sharers*. We will further magnify *self-sharing* (the 14<sup>th</sup> ‘pillar’) in a following volume of *God Magnified*. “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY” *share* one, eros-free nature that moves Them to *share* “all things” with One Another including glory, power, and one “dwelling place.” This *shared* DNA also moves the Three, together as One, to *share* Themselves with Their creation—“God in Christ.”

“God is Agape,” *and* “God is a dwelling place.” Sacrificial self-giving and self-sharing (Agape) are both the *impetus* of fusion and the life-giving *yield* from fusion. The perpetual fusion of the Trinity in perichoresis (mutual indwelling) yields *superabundant* Life—infinite, **gene-rative**, fruit-bearing Life. In the *superabundance* of the “eternal Life,” which the three sacrificial Self-givers *generate* and *share* together, the triune God created the heavens and the earth, choosing to *open* and *share* Their “dwelling place,” Themselves, with a creation. This creation included human beings “made in the image and likeness of God”—relational beings created with the capacity to mature in Agape and participate in perichoresis.

Sharing the “dwelling place” does not simply mean inviting us into Themselves, but also fusing us into the “dwelling place” in such a way that **They also dwell in us** in perichoresis: “**God’s tabernacle**, that is, those who dwell in heaven” (Rev 13:6). In the Nucleus of Christ, God’s *re-*

*gene-rated*, fuse-able children actually participate in the eternal perichoresis, and therefore *we* actually become a relational dwelling place of rest for the Trinity!

The Lord has chosen Zion [*kingdom of re-gene-rated priest-sons and daughters fused in One Nucleus*]; He has desired it for His **habitation**. “This is **My resting place** forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it. I will abundantly bless her provision; I will satisfy her needy with **bread** [*Oneness of God assimilated in us through the flesh and blood of the Son*]...” (Ps 132:13-15).

Together, the eternal *Three-in-Oneness* are the ‘uncaused Cause’ of all things. In the superabundant *in-gen-uity* issuing forth from Their Oneness, the ‘**three Primaries**’ (spectrum of Individuals in Light) created a spiritual and natural universe of spectacular color and marvelous variety but *not* boundless color and *not* infinite variety—there is more. “I saw **a new heaven and a new earth** [*new creation which the resurrected Man inaugurated*]; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away” (Rev 21:1). Though this “first” universe *seems* infinite to us, in fact it is not. This “first” created universe is only a “shadow” and a disposable “copy” of the eternal “dwelling place” of the triune God.

You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of Your hands; they will perish, but You [*Dwelling Place*] remain; and they all will become like an **old garment** [*fission decay*], and like a mantle You will roll them up; like a garment they will also be changed. But You [*Dwelling Place*] are the same, and Your years will not come to an end (Heb 1:10-12).

Regarding dwelling places, the Scriptures speak of three basic ‘phases:’ **eternal** (original), **first** (temporary), and **new** (man fused into the original Dwelling Place in the Nucleus of the God-Man). The original, eternal “dwelling place” of the Trinity in Christ “is the same yesterday and today and forever” (Heb 13:8); it is an infinite, timeless ‘realm’ of infinite color comprised of the infinite, triune God plus nothing. However, since God is outside of time, all three phases are already complete in the Alpha and Omega, though not yet fulfilled in earth time: “He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him [*fuse-able; dwelling place of perichoresis*]” (Eph 1:4).

The “first heaven and the first earth” is a *temporary* dwelling designed to *introduce* human beings to the unapproachable Light that “God is” in a ‘**shielded,**’ **preliminary environment.**

Solomon acknowledged, “But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven [*first heaven*] cannot contain You, how much less this house [*temple*] which I have built!” (1Ki 8:27). The new creation began in the resurrection of the Man Jesus, “the firstborn from the dead” (Col 1:18). “Therefore if anyone is in Christ [*the Nucleus of the resurrected Man*], he is a **new creature**; the old things passed away; behold, **new** things have come” (2Cor 5:17). Redeemed, resurrected, *re-gene-rated* mankind “made new” are fused into the original “dwelling place” of the eternal God.

The ‘three Primaries’ designed, created, and purposed this “first heaven and first earth” as a temporary ‘**rehearsal studio**’ in which to naturalize and acculturate human beings, “from glory to glory,” into Themselves, into Their original, eternal “dwelling place” of “unapproachable Light.” The fuse-able Agape DNA necessary for created beings to enter and participate in immortal Light must be perfected in freedom and choice (sacrificial self-giving); therefore, mankind could not enter the unapproachable Light in a one-step process. A ‘rehearsal studio’ and ‘laboratory’ for God to enter as a Man was required. Sending “the Lamb of God” into the temporary world was God’s plan before creating the “first” heaven and earth. It was not only necessary to *gene-rate* us as a creation but also to *re-gene-rate* us as a new creation in order

for us to be freely, willingly, and *gen-uinely* fused into Themselves—the original, eternal “dwelling place.”

“Lift up your hands to the **sanctuary** [*mutual indwelling of the triune God*] and bless **the Lord**” (Ps 134:2). The mobile tabernacle, which the Lord commanded Moses to construct, and the permanent temple God designed and built through David and Solomon were *physical* types or **micro-models** of the mutual indwelling of the Persons of the Trinity Who *Themselves* constitute a *spiritual*, relational sanctuary. “Let them **construct a sanctuary for Me** [*type of the God-Man Nucleus*], that I may dwell among them [*fusion of God and man, cohabitation*].... There I will meet [*commune*] with you; and from above the mercy seat... I will speak to you...” (Ex 25:8, 22). The triune God not only *lives* in the Dwelling Place, the God of Oneness *is* the Dwelling Place” and the Son Himself is the Nucleus—the “cornerstone.”

Moses’ tabernacle and Solomon’s temple were ‘rehearsal studios’ furnished with ‘props’ thoughtfully designed to help us understand the ultimate, spiritual Reality of the unshielded “dwelling place” of Light that is *in* Christ and to practice participating in that Light *through* Christ. These physical structures and priestly rituals were “**a copy and shadow of the heavenly things**, just as Moses was warned by God when he was about to erect the tabernacle; ‘See that you make all

things according to the **pattern** [*eternal Dwelling Place*] which was shown you on the mountain [*in the Trinity's Vortex of fusion on Sinai*]" (Heb 8:5).

In this same way the entire, "first" universe in which we now live is a rehearsal studio that "has only a **shadow** of the good things to come and not the very form of things" (Heb 10:1). The Self-revelation of God in the first creation, the tabernacle, and the temple were *real* 'foretastes' of the coming kingdom yet *inadequate* and destined to become obsolete: "things which are a mere **shadow** of what is to come; but the **substance** belongs to Christ [*perfected, resurrected Nucleus; firstborn of a new creation*]" (Col 2:17). The "**down-payment**" of the Spirit, which we have now received, (2Cor 5:5; Eph 1:14) is truly the "dwelling place" but not yet the mutual indwelling of God and human beings in *unshielded Light*, which will be perfected and culminated when Christ returns. Yet, together in the Spirit of the Son, we truly, spiritually, and *gen-uinely* participate with the Trinity in perichoresis even now.

The "first," temporal creation was *freely* entrusted to Adam and Eve as stewards. Of course, God knew that gift of **freedom** would be grievously **abused**. When the man and his wife willfully bought "the lie" of the deceiver, they abdicated and deeded over to Satan both themselves and their delegated authority. Therefore, the **whole creation fell into darkness**, death, and fission

decay: “the whole world lies in the power of the evil one” (1John 5:19). However, in Christ, the triune God was prepared to pay the price for the abuse of freedom that They might have opportunity to reveal Their sacrificial Self-giving that we might be *willingly re-gene-rated* into Their fuse-able DNA and might *freely* reciprocate Their Agape, *gen-uinely* participating in Their perichoresis.

Paul explains, “Our unrighteousness [*self-love, darkness*] **demonstrates** the righteousness of God [*sacrificial Self-giving Love, Light*]....God **demonstrates** His own Agape toward us, in that while we were yet sinners [*a total liability*], Christ died for us” (Ro 3:5; 5:8). Paul adds:

For the anxious longing of the [*first*] **creation** waits eagerly for the revealing of the [*resurrected, re-gene-rated, generous*] sons of God [*a new creation fused into the eternal Dwelling Place*]. For the [*first*] creation was subjected to futility [*God knew we would fail*], not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in **hope** that [*through Their demonstration of sacrificial Self-giving*] the creation itself also will be **set free from corruption** [*eros darkness, fission decay, the torment of choice*] into the **freedom of the glory** [*eros-free Light*] of the children of God [*fusion Oneness*]. For we know the whole creation

groans and suffers the pains of **childbirth** together until now [*agape matures in suffering*]. And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit [*antidotal Seed of fuse-able DNA*] groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption [*naturalization*] as sons, the redemption of our body (Ro 8:19-23).

Willing human beings are being *renovated*, “made new,” but the “first” creation, which Adam forfeited and Satan cursed, will be entirely *replaced* by a “new heaven and a new earth.” Peter says, “The heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the [*natural*] elements will melt with intense heat!” (2Pet 3:12). The “first heaven and earth” are a *natural*, temporal place designed and prepared for *natural* man. The “new heavens and new earth” are a *spiritual* ‘place’ designed and prepared for those human beings fused into the resurrected Man Jesus (made ‘alive’ in reciprocal agape) to **cohabitate with God** in unshielded Light. The “new heaven and new earth” are entirely contained *in* the Person of Christ, the Nucleus. The “new heaven and new earth” are essentially the *original*, eternal “dwelling place” of the triune God, except *re-gene-rated* sons and daughters “made new” are built into the Trinity as “a new creation” in Christ.

## LOOKING FOR A NEW DWELLING PLACE

Into this “first” creation, alienated in fission decay, the man Abraham was born. Abraham magnified the Lord, and the Spirit enabled him to *see forward* to “the new Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God” (Rev 21:2). In fact, Abraham saw this new, heavenly city before the old, earthly Jerusalem had even been established through David as a natural micro-model!

By faith, Abraham, when he was called [*magnetized by Agape into relational fusion*], obeyed by going out to a place [*Canaan: temporal dwelling; preliminary rehearsal studio*] which he was to receive for an **inheritance** [*down-payment on the eternal kingdom*]; and he went out [*emigrated*], not knowing where he was going. By faith he lived as an **alien** in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise; for **he was looking for a city whose architect and builder is God** [*original, eternal Dwelling Place*]....

There was born even of one man [*Abraham*], and him as good as dead at that, as many descendants as the **stars** of heaven in number [*emigrants of all races*,

*past, present and future, re-gene-rated into the fusion glory of the Son of promise].... All these died in faith, without receiving the promises, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were **strangers and exiles on the earth** [temporal world]....They desire a better country, that is a **heavenly one**. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He has **prepared a city for them** [new creation in the Nucleus of the resurrected God-Man] (Heb 11:8-16).*

Countless other “stars,” including Moses, David, Paul, and John, looked forward and saw the eternal “dwelling place” that Abraham saw. Even on earth, they radiated with the glory of that cohabitation and ached to fully return into the triune God from Whom they originated. Moses testified:

Lord, You have been our **dwelling place** in all generations. Before the mountains were born [*where we build defensible cities*] or You gave birth to the earth and the world [*life-sustaining planet given as our temporary home*], even from everlasting to everlasting **You are God** [*an eternal, spiritual, relational Home—our ‘emigrant’ destination*] (Ps 90:1-2).

David prayed, “O Lord, I love the **habitation of Your house** [*Father, Son, and Spirit mutually indwelling One Another*] and the **place where Your glory dwells** [*‘yield’ of fusion Oneness in Agape: Light, Life, perichoresis, peace, joy*]” (Ps 26:8). As the vision and conviction of this eternal Dwelling Place matured in David, the Spirit of the promised Son burst forth in him, saying, “**Zeal for Your house has consumed me!**” (Ps 69:9; John 2:17). “God is a dwelling place,” and God is an “architect and builder.” The fervent “zeal,” which the coming Son of God *shared* with David for “My Father’s House,” moved David to initiate the construction of an important ‘micro-model’—the temple—a preparatory rehearsal studio for the coming of the glory of God in Christ.

Paul saw “the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ” (2Cor 4:6). As this Light *matured* in Paul, the Spirit further revealed this eternal Reality to him:

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a man was caught up to the **third heaven...caught up into Paradise** [*original, eternal, eros-free Dwelling Place*] and heard inexpressible words, which a man [*de-gene-rate*] is not permitted to speak (2Cor 12:2).

The Spirit also enabled John to magnify the eternal “dwelling place.” The triune God purposed to build our faith and encourage us to persevere as kingdom emigrants through the Apostle John; therefore, the Spirit granted him a deeper look into the coming “dwelling place:”

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away....And I saw the **holy** [*eros-free*] **city, new Jerusalem** [*cohabitation of the Trinity and man*] coming down out of heaven from God [*not man-made*], made ready [*re-gene-rated*] as a **bride** adorned for her husband [*fuse-able DNA-match*].... Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them [*cohabitation*], and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them [*one dwelling place*].... There will no longer be any death [*eros, fission decay*]...the first things have passed away.

And He who sits on the throne said, “Behold, **I am making all things new....It is done** [*death and resurrection of the Forerunner accomplished*]. I am the Alpha and the

Omega, the beginning and the end [*God-Man: original and new "dwelling place"*]. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life [*Antidote, immortal Light*] without cost [*sacrificial Self-giving, gene-rosity*]. He who overcomes [*self-love, confusion in darkness*] will **inherit** these things [*Dwelling Place of perichoresis*], and I will be his God and he will be My son [*fused into My resurrected Son*]. But as for the cowardly [*self-preserving*] and unbelieving and abominable [*unholy*] and murderers and sorcerers and idolaters [*self-worth-shippers*] and all liars [*children of "the father of the lie"*], their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death [*total fission disintegration*]."

And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the **holy** [*eros-free*] **city**, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, having the **glory** of God [*mankind 'born from above,' in fusion Oneness with God in Christ*]. Her brilliance was like a very costly stone, as a stone of crystal-clear jasper.

It had a great and high wall, with twelve gates....The city is laid out as a square...and its **length and width and height are equal** [*perfect Three-Dimensional equality; perichoresis*].... The foundation stones of the city wall were adorned with every kind of precious stone [*unique 'living stones'; individual believers fused into God in Christ*]....

I saw **no temple** in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb [*Trinity in Christ*] are its **temple**. And the city has **no need of the sun** or of the moon to shine on it, for the **glory of God** [*perpetual fusion of the Trinity*] has illumined it, and its **lamp** is the Lamb [*Light of sacrificial Self-giving*]....In the daytime (for there will be no night there) its gates will never be closed...and **nothing unclean** [*de-gene-rate, unholy*], and no one who practices abomination and lying shall ever come into it [*safe nest of rest*], but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life [*re-gene-rated DNA-match, naturalized children*] (Rev 21).

## LAYING THE CORNERSTONE

“God is a dwelling place,” *and* God is an “**architect and builder**” (Heb 11:10). The three sacrificial Self-sharers are laboring together to build us into Themselves, into Their “dwelling place” of Oneness. The triune God is shaping and fitting us into the “**choice cornerstone**” of Their own eternal House (synonymous with ‘fusing us into the Nucleus of the God-Man’).

The **blueprints** of the “new Jerusalem” were drawn from the eternal Trinity; the plans were initiated “before the foundation of the world;” the ‘project’ commenced in the first creation; the **building materials** were ‘ordered’ when the promise of a Seed was given to Abraham. The pre-incarnate Steward-Son (“the Arm of the Lord revealed” Isa 53:1) served as ‘**Foreman**’ through the generations of Israel from Genesis to Malachi; He was the overseer of the **micro-models** built by Moses and Solomon, several necessary **demolitions**, and subsequent repairs and **reconstructions** (Josiah, Nehemiah and Ezra, etc.). The work continues even now under the watch-care of the Spirit.

However, this spiritual construction project made an enormous leap forward when the triune God laid the tested, proven, *spiritual* “**cornerstone**” on earth among men and shortly thereafter demolished the *physical* temple [*rehearsal studio*]

in Jerusalem, which had become obsolete—“Truly I say to you, not one stone here [*natural temple*] will be left upon another, which will not be torn down” (Mt 24:2).

And coming to Him as to a **living stone** [*forfeiting our autonomous life into the resurrected God-Man*] which has been rejected by men [*de-gene-rate lovers of self, darkness*], but is choice and precious in the sight of God [*eternal Cornerstone of the triune Dwelling Place*], you also, as **living stones** [*re-gene-rated in fuse-able DNA*], are being built up as a **spiritual house** for a holy priesthood [*gene-rous, eros-free children*], to offer up spiritual sacrifices [*reciprocate in sacrificial self-giving, perichoresis*] acceptable to God through Jesus Christ [*the God-Man Nucleus*] (1Pet 2:4-5).

Because the new creation is a *renovation* (making all things new) and not a ‘*new-build*’ (all new things) it is a very long, arduous process. It brings to mind the saying, ‘*dead as a stone.*’ **Renovation** involves purchasing and collecting useless, lopsided, *de-gene-rate* “stones,” resurrecting them as “living stones,” shaping them by *re-gene-ration* according to a Prototype (well-pleasing Son), and fitting these individuals (who are naturally

repulsed from one another) together, without coercion, into one Nucleus, one Cornerstone, one House. Sounds like a job for a God of omnipotent Agape: compassionate, gracious, meek, patient, faithful, merciful, and forgiving!

Hear the word of the Lord, O scoffers [*de-gene-rates*]...because you have said, “We have made a covenant with death [*in self-preservation*], and with Sheol we have made a pact [*con-fusion with the false-father*]. The overwhelming scourge [*flood*] will not reach us when it passes by, for we have made **falsehood our refuge**, and we have concealed ourselves with deception [*dwelling in “the lie”*].” Therefore thus says the Lord God, “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a **tested stone** [*Son made perfect as a Man*], a **costly cornerstone** for the foundation, firmly placed [*lit. well-laid*]. He who believes in it [*relocates into the Nucleus of the Trinity*] will not be disturbed. I [*the Architect and Builder*] will make justice [*equality*] the measuring line and righteousness [*agape*] the level; then hail will sweep away the **refuge of lies**...your covenant with death will be cancelled, and your pact with Sheol will not stand” (Isa 28:14-18).

A choice, well-laid cornerstone is perfectly **three-dimensional**; it is the *first* thing to be established since it serves as the standard of measure by which a whole structure is progressively constructed level, plumb, and square in the “likeness” of the cornerstone. This architectural terminology speaks of the resurrected God-Man:

For God rescued us from the **domain** of darkness and transferred us to the **kingdom** of [*contained within*] the Son of His Agape....He is the image of the invisible God [*Trinity*], the firstborn of all creation....He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together [*God and man in one Nucleus*]. He is also head of the **body**, the church; and He is the beginning [*Cornerstone of cohabitation*], the firstborn from the dead [*resurrected Man*], so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything. For it was the Father’s good pleasure for **all the fullness of Deity** [*triune God*] **to dwell in Christ**, and through Him [*Nucleus of the Trinity; perfectly Three-Dimensional Cornerstone*] to reconcile all things to Himself [*into the eternal Dwelling Place*]....For in Christ all the fullness of Deity [*Trinity*] dwells in bodily form [*God-Man*], and in Him you have been made full [*complete; fuse-*

*able DNA-match; a 'living stone' which fits]*  
(Col 1:13-20; 2:9-10).

“God is a dwelling place,” *and* God is an “architect and builder.” To construct a dwelling suitable for the cohabitation of God and man, a choice Cornerstone had to be laid—“*God in Christ*”—the Father, Son, and Spirit in **perfect Three-Dimensional Oneness** dwelling in “bodily form” in the God-Man Jesus. Compare the physical micro-model of Solomon’s temple with the spiritual Reality of the “new” House, which is now under construction:

*Micro-model:* “the **inner sanctuary** [*Holy of Holies; resting place of the ark*] was twenty cubits [*30 feet*] in **length**, twenty cubits in **width**, and twenty cubits in **height** [*perfectly 'Three-Dimensional'*]” (1Ki 6:20).

*Eternal Dwelling Place:* “the holy city, **new Jerusalem** [*God and man in the Nucleus of the God-Man*], coming down out of heaven from God [*not man-made*], having the glory of God [*yield of fusion*]...the city is laid out as a square...its **length** and **width** and **height** are **equal** [*perfectly Three-Dimensional*]” (Rev 21:10-16).

The *Three-Dimensional* Cornerstone speaks of the Trinity in perichoresis in the Nucleus of Christ. **Perichoresis** means mutual indwelling and inter-penetration without loss of personal identity. Perichoresis is the interpersonal, relational dynamic of One Agape Life—a godly, Trinity-like, dwelling inhabited by individuals who perpetually lose themselves into the Light of fusion by sacrificial self-giving. The triune “Architect and Builder” is now fitting individual human beings together as “living stones” into the God-Man Cornerstone in perichoresis with one another according to the **eternal blueprints** of the Trinity dwelling in the God-Man Cornerstone in perichoresis with One Another.

Then God [*eternal Dwelling Place*] said, “Let Us make man in Our [*interpersonal, relational, fuse-able*] **image**, according to Our **likeness** [*dwelling place of perichoresis*]” (Gen 1:26).

But we **all** [*together in fusion/perichoresis in the God-Man*], with unveiled face, beholding as in a **mirror** the **glory** of the Lord [*Trinity in fusion/perichoresis in the God-Man*], are being **transformed** [*renovated*] into the same image from glory to glory... (2Cor 3:18).

That they [*unique, individual believers*] may all be **one** [*in perpetual fusion*]; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You [*perichoresis*], that they also may be **in Us** [*One, new cohabitation*]...that they may be **one just as We are one** [*sacrificial self-giving fusion*]; I in them and You in Me [*one Nucleus, Cornerstone*], that they may be **perfected in unity** [*perichoresis*]...that the agape [*fuse-able DNA*] with which You have loved Me may be in them, and I in them (John 17:21).

The “Son of God” (the Cornerstone/Nucleus of the Trinity) and the “Son of Man” (the Cornerstone/Nucleus of human beings) are one and the same Person—the God-Man Christ Jesus. As a man this Cornerstone was tested, proven, and perfected in *perichoresis* both Godward (“Not My will but Yours be done”) and manward (“He loved them [*disciples*] to the uttermost”). Therefore, in the Nucleus of Christ, *perichoresis* now exists and works not only between God and mankind, but also between us as human beings. The God-Man Himself is the **combined and combining Person**, a “dwelling place” of relational peace and *perichoresis* for all.

Therefore, if there is any encouragement in Christ [*Forerunner, Antidote*], if there

is any consolation of **agape**, if there is any **fellowship** of the Spirit [*perichoresis; One Agape Life*], if any affection and compassion [*fuse-able DNA*], make my joy complete by being [***Trinity-like***:] of the same mind, maintaining the same agape, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. Do nothing from **selfishness** [*self-gratification*] or **empty conceit** [*self-promotion*], but with humility of mind [*Agape rationale*] **regard one another as more important than yourselves** [*perichoresis*]; do not merely look out for **your own personal interests**, but also for the **interests of others** [*sacrificial self-sharing*].

Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus [*perfected, Prototype Man–Cornerstone*], who although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be **grasped** [*as a self-preserving, self-promoting 'taker'*], but He **emptied Himself**, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men [*willingly forfeiting His individuality and personal identity*]. Being found in appearance as a man, He **humbled Himself** by becoming obedient to the point of death, even **death on a cross**

*[tested and perfected in Agape as a Man].*  
For this reason also, **God highly exalted Him**, and bestowed upon Him the name which is above every name *[preserved His individuality and celebrated His personal identity for Him]*... (Phil 2:1-9).

Our Forerunner was **perfected in perichoresis** both Godward and manward. As we together, abide *in* Him and He is *in* us, we access a fusion power that enables us to live with one another in perichoresis in day-to-day life just as the Trinity does. Apart from the Cornerstone, it is impossible for us to grow in perichoresis with one another or participate in the perichoresis of the Trinity (truly know God). Outside of this Nucleus, our human-to-human relationships are *con-fused* (including marriage, brotherhood, friendship, etc.) and will not yield the Light of photosynthesis or bear the fruit of *gen-uine* “Agape without hypocrisy:” “Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have **no life in yourselves** *[individually or corporately]*” (John 6:53).

That Christ *[in Whom Father, Son, and Spirit are already dwelling]* may **dwell** in your hearts through faith *[cohabitation]*; and that you, being **rooted and grounded in Agape** *[on the Cornerstone]*, may be able to comprehend with all the saints *[growing*

*in the likeness of the Trinity by practicing manward perichoresis together]* what is the **breadth** and **length** and **height** and **depth** [*Four-Dimensional Cornerstone of the cohabitation of the Trinity and man*], and to know the **Agape of Christ** [*Source of perichoresis*] which surpasses knowledge, that you may be **filled up to all the fullness of God** [*eternal cohabitation in the Dwelling Place*] (Eph 3:17-19).

Here the Cornerstone of cohabitation is **Four-Dimensional**: Father (1), Son (1), and Spirit (1) in the Nucleus of Christ (1). Jesus Christ is the incarnate Son (one and the same Person) and He is the God-Man Nucleus; He embodies *two* dimensions—He embodies us:

When the **Son** comes into the world, He says, “Sacrifice and offering [*in the ‘rehearsal studio’ of the temple*] You have not desired, but **a body You have prepared for Me** [*“spiritual house” of “living stones”—Nucleus of the cohabitation of God and man in perichoresis*]” (Heb 10:5).

The dynamic of our self-sharing in perichoresis with one another in Christ and our ability to give ourselves together as one in Christ to the triune God (reciprocate Agape) are the **fourth dimension** of

the interpersonal, relational “dwelling place.” We have not been invited to live as *inactive*, fruitless ‘guests’ or ‘strangers’ within the eternal “dwelling place” of the Trinity; together, as “living stones” fit into Christ, we are now being incorporated into the *infrastructure* of that House as *re-generated* children, a DNA-match—prepared, *active* participants in the “eternal Life” of perichoresis. In Agape, the Trinity has brought us into Themselves to be a ‘nest of rest’ and Self-giving *to us*, but in reciprocal agape, we have entered into Them to be a ‘nest of rest’ and self-giving *to Them*, “offering ourselves as a living and holy [*eros-free*] sacrifice acceptable to God, which is our spiritual service of worth-ship” (Ro 12:1; 1Peter 2:5). Yes, thank God, we are *in* the Dwelling Place of the kingdom, but also “**the kingdom of God is** [*gene-rously*] **within you**” (Luke 17:21).

You [*Moses*] will make the **tabernacle** [*micro-model of the many-membered body of Christ*] with **ten curtains of fine twisted** [*fused*] **linen** and blue and purple and scarlet material [*heavenly, royal, bloodline of the Son*]....You will make fifty clasps of gold and **join** [*lit. couple; i.e. fuse*] the curtains to one another with the clasps [*Agape DNA*] so that the tabernacle [*lit. dwelling place*] will be **a unit** [*lit. one; fusion of ten, individual pieces in Oneness*]....Then

you will erect the tabernacle according to its **plan** [*individuals fused together in Christ according to the blueprints of the Trinity fused in Christ*] which you have been shown on the mountain [*in the fusion Vortex of the triune God*] (Ex 26:1-6, 30).

## FILTHY ORPHANS BECOME A SPOTLESS BRIDE

“God is Agape,” *and* “God is a dwelling place,” *and* God is an “architect and builder,” but the triune God is also an ***in-gen-ious*** Renovator: “Behold, I am making all things new” (Rev 21:5). In exploitative ‘love,’ eros is *drawn* to the resourceful, the beautiful, the powerful, and the elite. The triune Renovator, however, has chosen some very unexpected ‘building materials’ for Their House:

For consider your calling [*into the Dwelling Place*], brethren [*adopted sons*], that there were not many **wise** according to the flesh, not many **mighty**, not many **noble**; but God has chosen the **foolish** things of the world [*poor in spirit*] to shame the wise [*skilled in eros rationale*], and God has chosen the **weak** [*broken*] things of the world to shame the things which are strong [*predators*], and the **base** [*unwanted*] things of the world and

the **despised** [*unloved*] God has chosen, the **things that are not** [*of worth in the economy of this world*] so that He may nullify the things that are, so that no man may boast before God (1Cor 1:26-29).

In a parable about a man giving a dinner, Jesus described the Father as saying, “Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in here [*to the antidotal feast of the Son*] the poor and crippled and blind and lame....Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel them [*the orphaned homeless*] to come in, so **that my house may be filled**” (Luke 14:21-23). Together, the triune Renovator is presently receiving and resurrecting these broken ones, making us “*fit*” to enter Their ‘nest of rest’ and participate in *perichoresis* by *re-gene-rating* us into Their own fuse-able DNA of sacrificial self-giving.

And I saw another angel flying in **midheaven** [*between God and man*], having an **eternal gospel** [*invitation from the eternal “dwelling place” which the triune God “is”*] to preach to those who **live on the earth** [*in darkness, fission decay*], and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people [*invitation to orphaned, homeless individuals to **relocate** into Their Nucleus of Oneness by fusion*]; and the angel said with

a loud voice, “Fear God, and **give Him glory** [*lose your life, reciprocate sacrificial self-giving*], because the hour of His judgment [*Vortex of Jealousy*] has come; worship Him [*forsake self-worth-ship and magnify God in Christ*] ...” (Rev 14:6-7).

When we *magnify* “God is Agape” and further *enlarge* “God is a dwelling place,” something more is revealed: “A **father** to the fatherless and a **judge** for the widows *is God* in His **holy habitation**. God makes a **home** for the **lonely**” (Ps 68:5-6).

Into the midst of Themselves—the “dwelling place” of “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”—God receives the fatherless and widows. In a very true sense, *all* human beings are “**fatherless**” since *all* are born of *de-gene-rate* heredity, emerging from the womb into the custody of the false-father and alienated from their Creator. Those who *acknowledge* this fact make a surprising discovery—they become increasingly aware that mighty “arms” of Jealous Love are reaching to receive them, to hold them, to lead them Home: “The eternal God is a dwelling place and **underneath are the everlasting arms**” (Deut 33:27). In the superabundance of Their own eternal Life in perichoresis, the triune God of Agape is profoundly **affectionate** and **inclusive**.

He who sits on the throne will **spread His tabernacle over them** [*assimilate the*

*fatherless into "Father's House," the "dwelling place" of the Trinity]....For the **Lamb in the center of the throne** [Nucleus of the Trinity] will be their shepherd [lead us into Himself, into the fusion Oneness of God] (Rev 7:15-17).*

In perichoresis, God the Father dwells *in* His Son; therefore, "Father's House" is actually *in* the Nucleus of His Son Jesus. When Father adopted us, He "transferred us to the kingdom of the Son of His Agape [*Father's House*]" (Col 1:13). The "well-pleasing Son" is not just the Shepherd leading us Home, Jesus *is* the Home in which Father is waiting for us: "I and the Father are one" (John 10:30). "How **blessed** [*as a gen-uine son*] is the one [*orphan decaying in fission*] whom You choose [*adopt*] and bring near to You [*fuse into Father's House*] to dwell in Your courts [*cohabit with Father in perichoresis in the Nucleus of Christ*]" (Ps 65:4).

Jesus answered, "I am the **door**; if anyone **enters through Me** [*fusion in 'God in Christ'*], he will be saved [*adopted*], and will go in and out and find **pasture** [*in the nest of rest of the Oneness of God*]. The **thief** [*false-father Belial*] comes only to **steal** [*con-fusion*], **kill** [*fission radiation exposure*], and **destroy** [*fission decay*]; I came

that they may have **life** [*photosynthesis, Agape Oneness, perichoresis*] and have it **abundantly** [*fullness of the 'One Cake'*]” (John 10:9-10).

In this present age of darkness, a fierce custody battle rages over these orphaned children, between an envious false-father and “God is True” (John 3:33).

I will not leave you as **orphans** [*alienated de-gene-rates*]....You will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you [*Cornerstone of God and man*]....If anyone loves Me [*reciprocates My Agape*], he will keep My word [*lose his autonomous life into Me; be built into Me*]; and My **Father** will love him, and **We will come to him and make Our abode with him** [*receive him into the Dwelling Place of cohabitation*].... These things I have spoken to you while abiding with you....The **Holy Spirit**, whom the **Father** will send in My name, He will teach you all things [*construction process; how to mature in perichoresis*], and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. My **peace** [*My own 'share' in the 'yield' of the Trinity's Oneness, perichoresis*] I give to you; not as the **world** gives [*counterfeit*], do I **give** to you (John 14:18-27).

The *inclusive*, triune Dwelling Place is *ransoming* all of us as orphan children from confusion with the false-father in self-love, *receiving* us into Their “everlasting arms,” *re-gene-rating* us into Their own likeness, and *building* us into Themselves, into Their own Cornerstone.

Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a tested stone [*Son made perfect as a Man*], a costly **cornerstone** for the foundation, firmly placed. He who believes in it will not be disturbed [*rest in the Nucleus of Father’s House*]....In the refuge of lies [*eros heredity, kingdom of the false-father*] the **bed is too short** on which to stretch out, and the **blanket is too small** to wrap oneself in [*no relational rest*]. For the Lord will rise up...to do His task, His unusual [*lit. strange*] task, and to work His work, His extraordinary [*lit. alien*] work [*preparing, testing, proving, and perfecting a God-Man “dwelling place,” an enlarged “bed,” an infinite “blanket” to cover us*].... The children of whom you were bereaved [*by “the lie” of the false-father*] will yet say in your ears, “The **place is too cramped for me** [*in darkness, eros prison*]; **make room for me** [*in the Nucleus of Light*] **that I may live here** [*in the triune Dwelling Place*]” (Isa 28:16, 20-21; 49:20).

When the Three sacrificial *Self-sharers* laid the Cornerstone, They were laboring as an “Architect and Builder” to “**make room**” for us:

Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God [*Three sacrificial Self-sharers*], believe also in Me [*the God-Man Cornerstone of the Three*]. **In My Father’s house there are many dwelling places** [*resting place for each individual believer, prepared in the triune God before creation*], if it were not so, I would have told you [*Agape without hypocrisy*]; for **I go** [*through the vortex of fission/fusion: death and resurrection*] **to prepare a place for you** [*in the Dwelling Place of cohabitation in My own body*], I will come again and **receive you into Myself** [*into Father’s House by fusion into Me*], that where I am [*in perichoresis with the Father and Spirit*], there you may be also (John 14:1-6).

Together, in the Light and photosynthesis of the Nucleus of Jesus Christ, we “living stones” **grow** sure and steady in Trinity-likeness, in perichoresis, into a dwelling place for God and one another. David prayed,

Let our **sons** in their youth be as **grown-up plants** [*mature fruit-bearers, reciprocating Agape*], and our **daughters** as **corner**

**pillars fashioned as for** [*lit. cut after the pattern of*] **a palace** [*re-gene-rated into the likeness of the Cornerstone, a dwelling place for God and man*] (Ps 144:12).

These sons and daughters “were **formerly darkness**, but now they are Light in the Lord [*and*] walk as children of Light” (Eph 5:8). Father received these formerly wretched orphans (eros ‘individualists’) and fed them with the flesh and blood of His Son Jesus. The nourished antidotal Seed germinated and effected a resurrection from the “dead.” These former orphans subsequently matured as *gen-uine*, fruit-bearing sons and daughters. Together, in the Nucleus of Christ, these unique, individual sons and daughters are practicing perichoresis and being fused into *Trinity-like* Oneness. These **autonomous, filthy, childish orphans** are being progressively *renovated* into **one, spotless, mature bride**:

Then I heard the voice of a great **multitude** [*of unique, eros-free individuals*]... “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God, the Almighty reigns [*All-Three-Mighty; fusion Power*]. Let us rejoice and be glad and **give the glory to Him** [*reciprocate Agape*], for the **marriage** of the Lamb has come [*consummation of fusion Oneness*] and His **bride** has made herself ready [*one, fused,*

*suitable partner, DNA-match].” It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, **bright** [*Light*] and **clean** [*Holy*]; for the fine linen is the **righteous acts** [*sacrificial self-giving DNA, behavior*] of the saints [*lit. holy ones*] (Rev 19:5-8).*

The Three *Self-sharers* (the *uncreated* “Us” in Oneness) desire to *share* Themselves—Their Name and Dwelling Place—with a mature **bride** (a *created* ‘us’ in oneness), to cohabit with “her” in an “eternal Life” of reciprocal *self-sharing* and perichoresis. “The eternal God is a dwelling place and underneath are the **everlasting arms**” (Deut 33:27). Initially, God receives **countless orphans** into those arms—‘individualists’ accustomed to saying, “I am my own,” but in time, exposed to the photosynthesis of Light in the Nucleus of Agape, those orphans mature into one, *re-generated*, fuse-able companion who says, “I am my beloved’s and my beloved is mine” (Song 6:3). God in Christ ends up holding in His “everlasting arms” **one devoted bride!**

The Dwelling Place of Three Self-sharers is constructing a ‘Love-nest’ within Themselves for one, *gen-uine* bride who is ready and eager to share and reciprocate Their Love. First, the triune God “**spreads His tabernacle over**” a myriad of *unholy*, self-focused orphans, but in time only one spotless, attentive bride will be found there—“the

wife of the Lamb” (Rev 21:9). Together, as one bride, we will not only inherit that Dwelling Place and live in it but be fused as “one flesh” into the triune God as a resting place *for Them*: “The one who **joins** himself to the Lord is **one spirit** with Him” (1Cor 6:17). For the purpose of engraving this truth into our heart, mind, and spirit, magnify again with me the master-key passage:

I have manifested **Your name** [*God’s Family name, heredity*] to the men whom You gave me [*adopted*] out of the world; they were Yours and **You gave them to Me** [*as one bride with the same Family name, maturing in our DNA*]....For they are Yours; and all things that are Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine [*one shared Life*]; and I have been glorified [*assimilated, re-gene-rated*] in them....Holy Father, keep them in Your [*Family*] name, the name which You have given Me [*as a Man*], **that they may be one** [*in perichoresis*] **even as We are**...that they may all be one [*a suitable, spotless bride*]; even as **You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us** [*fused into One, relational, inter-personal Dwelling Place of cohabitation*]....The **glory** which You have given Me I have given [*fed as ‘One Cake’*] to them, **that they may be one** [*in*

*perichoresis*], **just as We are one; I in them and You in Me** [*Cornerstone*], **that they may be perfected in unity** [*as one spotless bride*]...that the **Agape** [*fuse-able DNA*] with which You have loved Me may be in them, and I in them [*DNA-match between God and man sharing One, “new” Dwelling Place*] (John 17:6-26).

“I saw the holy **city**...made ready as a **bride** adorned for her husband” (Rev 21:2). Though this “city” of unique individuals in fusion as one perfected “bride” is yet to be revealed, she is being prepared *right now*. Together, you and I *are* that “bride;” we are just immature and half-formed. The literal orphaned girls whom I have received as daughters in Ukraine and Uganda have illustrated this reality for me vividly. God overlooks the *reality* of the **wildcats** they currently are and sees the *reality* of the **mature bride** He has destined them to become. *Re-gene-ration (renovation)* is the difficult, messy, self-sacrificial work involved *between* these two realities of the same beloved, individual girl.

Those of us who have suffered many injuries and repeated failures in “the church” must be very careful not assume the Reality of the bride has no contemporary relevance in our day-to-day life together. In discouragement, disillusionment, and a self-preserving instinct (cleverly justified

of course), it is easy to remain detached and indifferent from this calling. The Bridegroom Jesus made this clear: “You *are* the **light** of the world. **A city** [*My bride*] **set on a hill cannot be hidden** [*for better or worse; you will either shame or glorify Me*]....Let your **light** [*mutual indwelling; fusion*] **shine** before men in such a way that they may see your good works [*sacrificial self-giving*] and glorify your Father who is in heaven” (Mt 5:14-16).

## SACRED NEST OF VULNERABLE REST

Who may ascend into the **hill** [*Nucleus*] of the Lord? And who may stand in His **holy place** [*eros-free zone*]? He who has **clean hands** [*sacrificial self-giving behavior*] and a **pure heart** [*eros-free DNA*], who has not lifted up his soul to **falsehood** [*severed all con-fusion with false-father*] and has not sworn **deceitfully** [*renounced “the lie”*]. He shall receive a **blessing** [*inheritance of sonship*] from the Lord and **righteousness** [*fuse-able DNA*] from the God of his salvation. This is the generation [*re-gene-ration*] of those who seek [*magnify*] Him, who seek Your face [*in gen-uine worth-ship*] (Ps 24:3-6).

The ‘nest of rest’ in which the Father, Son, and Spirit mutually indwell One Another is

eros-free. Since “power is perfected in weakness [*relational vulnerability*],” in one sense it is a very **sacred, vulnerable circle of trust** held in balance by Agape alone. As we magnify “God is Agape” and glimpse the eternal life in perichoresis and peace that They share at rest in One Another, we begin to appreciate just what a remarkable act of sacrificial Self-sharing it is for the Trinity to open the sanctity of Their “dwelling place” (Themselves) to us who are recovering eros-addicts.

We Christians (even those considered ‘mature believers’ among us) behave so *very* selfishly and thoughtlessly and carelessly! We have no idea how to behave in the Trinity’s nest; we are the proverbial ‘bull in the china shop!’ Jesus said, “The **kingdom of heaven** [*vulnerable ‘nest’ of perichoresis*] **suffers violence**, and violent men [*orphans half-formed into sons*] take it by force” (Mt 11:12). We ‘takers’ seriously abuse the triune God, yet in hope, They graciously *forebear* us: “Agape...bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things; Agape never fails” (1Cor 13:4-8). Receiving 23 Ukrainian and Ugandan orphans into the vulnerability of our affections, family, name, and home, *cohabitating* with these children born and mentored as eros ‘takers,’ and sharing one life with these adopted sons and daughters wholly incapable of reciprocal relationship has certainly afforded us some measure of empathy for God.

When your fathers tested Me [*held Me in suspicion*], they tried Me, though they had seen My work [*omnipotent compassion; redeeming them mightily from Egypt*]. For forty years I loathed that generation, and said, they are a [*de-gene-rate, willful, confused*] people who err in their heart [*self-love, misplaced affection*], and they **do not know My ways** [*sacrificial self-giving*]. Therefore I swore in My anger, truly they **will not enter into My rest** [*“dwelling place” of perichoresis*] (Ps 96:9-11).

Moses knew all too well that there was something fundamentally (genetically) wrong with his own people. After the grievous “golden calf” incident, he prayed:

“If I have found favor in Your sight, let me **know Your ways** [*dynamic of interpersonal Agape*] that I may know You [*Three in fusion Oneness, perichoresis*], so that I may find favor in Your sight [*reflect Your likeness*]....” And God said, “My presence [*vulnerable Dwelling Place*] will go with you [*sacrificially*], and I will give you **rest**” (Ex 33:13-14).

Eros ‘individualism’ and self-gratification is the cause of **restlessness**: anxiety disorders, self-conscious paranoia, depression, sleeplessness, fear

of man, fear of lack, fear of the future, calculating and scheming to exhaustion, etc.; the result is fission decay—relational, spiritual, and physical **death**. In self-love, self-will, and self-preserving *repulsion* from God, *de-gene-rate* human beings run from the Dwelling Place in a “**restless evil**” (James 3:8). Bob Mumford observed that the *de-gene-rate* man is like a **shark**, an eros predator that can **never stop swimming** or he will sink and die and be fed upon himself. Of course, eventually this happens anyway since the *self-preserving* man cannot bargain with death: “whoever wishes to save his life will lose it” (Mark 8:35).

Eros is “**desiring a desire**” (Num 11:4): chasing the *mirage* of self-satisfaction and preying upon others to do so. “He who separates himself [*from the Dwelling Place*] seeks his own desire” (Pro 18:1). The *de-gene-rate* man must remain **outside the nest** of mutual indwelling, restlessly attempting to establish an independent life of his own because sacrificial self-giving *for* others and sacrificial self-sharing *with* others seriously interrupts “desiring a desire.”

For thus the Lord, God [*Father, Son and Spirit*], the **Holy One** has said, “In **repentance** [*forfeiting eros ‘individualism’*] and **rest** [*in mutual indwelling Oneness*] you will be **saved** [*delivered from the darkness and tyranny of self-love*], in

quietness and trust [*perichoresis*] is your strength [*fusion power*].” But you were **not willing** [*repulsion in self-will*]. And you said, “**No, for we will flee on horses** [*fission, self-preservation*]...” (Is 30:15).

As a young man, Jacob was a “supplanter,” a schemer skilled in eros ‘calculation;’ however, as an elderly man limping with one hip out of socket, Jacob had come to know God. When Jacob blessed each of his twelve sons before his death, he was forced to acknowledge that two of his sons were not ‘fit’ to enter the intimacy, trust, and vulnerability of his ‘dwelling place:’

Simeon and Levi are brothers [*de-gene-rate DNA-match*]; their swords are implements of violence. Let not my soul enter into their council; **let not my glory be united** [*in fusion, mutual indwelling*] **with their assembly**; because in their anger they slew men, and in their **self-will** [*eros*] they lamed oxen. Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce; and their wrath [*revenge*], for it is cruel [*like the false-father*]. I will disperse them in Jacob, and scatter them [*in fission*] in Israel (Gen 49:5-7).

The psalmist also identified with God’s suffering in relationship to eros-driven men: “Too

long has my soul had its **dwelling** with those who **hate peace** [*predatory 'individualists'*]. I am for peace [*fusion*], but when I speak, they are for war [*fission*]" (Ps 120:6). From the beginning this has been an 'issue' for the Trinity; the **vulnerability** and sanctity of Their 'nest' of relational rest in Oneness had to be **guarded** from the exploitation and self-gratifying instinct of *de-gene-rate* man:

Then the Lord God said, "Behold, the man [*Adam*] has become like one of **Us**, knowing good and evil [*eros self-consciousness, self-love, self-preservation*]; and now he might stretch out his hand [*eros 'hook'*] and **take** also from the **tree of life**, and eat, and live forever"—therefore the Lord sent him out from the garden... and at the east of the garden of Eden God stationed the cherubim and the **flaming sword** which turned every direction to **guard** the way to the tree of life (Gen 3:22-24).

God knew Adam and Eve had 'bought' into "the father of the lie;" since they had become partakers of his conniving, twisted, serpent-like nature that would do *anything* to preserve itself; the "sword" had to be "flaming" and turn in *every* direction. Evidently, if the man and woman had eaten from the tree of life they would have been damned to immortality in their *de-gene-rate* state

of darkness; therefore, in mercy, God had to protect Adam and Eve from *themselves* by driving them out. In order for our redemption to be *genuine*, the “**tree**” of our *re-gene-ration* into immortal Light had to be the **cross** of “God in Christ;” there were no alternatives, no short-cuts.

Both in Moses’ tabernacle and in Solomon’s temple there was a *nucleus* called “the holy of holies.” Within this inner sanctuary the “ark of the covenant” rested—a type of the incarnated God-Man living among the people (God with us). The “glory” of God (“*Shekinah*”) rested upon that ark perpetually—the Trinity in fusion Oneness in the Nucleus of Christ. The “veil” of the temple was a hand-breadth thick and woven on both sides—signifying the divine and human nature of the God-Man. God instructed Moses: “You shall hang up the veil...and bring in the ark of the testimony there **within the veil**; and the veil shall serve for you as a **partition** between the holy place and the **holy of holies**” (Ex 26:33-34).

The veil of the temple **guarded** the sanctity of the Dwelling Place; this was essential because “Holy, Holy, Holy” was dwelling both in the vulnerability of perichoresis and in omnipotent fusion Light in the midst of the *de-gene-rate*, self-gratifying people of Israel who were “prone to evil” (Ex 32:22), “loved darkness,” and were accustomed to fission. The veil protected the Trinity and the people from one another—“what

fellowship has light with darkness?” (2Cor 6:14). Only once a year a solitary priest chosen by lot and meticulously consecrated was permitted to enter the “holy of holies” (Lev 16; Luke 1:9f). This priest wore a garment “with bells of gold all around on the hem of the robe...when he ministers its’ tinkling shall be heard when he enters and leaves the holy place before the Lord, so that he will not die” (Ex 28:35).

Though the triune *Light* suffered daily exposure to the *darkness* of mankind, living among them, in superabundant *gene-rosity* They persevered together “intent on one purpose”—to *share* Their eternal “dwelling place” of Oneness, “the kingdom of God,” with mankind. The Three Self-sharers intentionally and sacrificially opened a Door into Their Oneness: “Jesus said to them again, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, **I am the door** of the sheep....If anyone enters through Me, he will be saved [*re-gene-rated*], and will go in and out and find pasture [*rest in the nest of perichoresis*].’” (John 10:7-9).

Therefore, brethren [*adopted sons*], since we have confidence to **enter the holy place** by the blood [*DNA bloodline*] of Jesus, by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the **veil**, that is, **His flesh**...let us draw near [*into perichoresis with the triune God*] (Heb 10:19-21).

The Trinity's own eternal, vulnerable '**nest of rest**' opened to man through the incarnated God-Man is securely anchored in the "**tree**" of His own Cross, "a kingdom which cannot be shaken" (Heb12:28). The cross *is* "the **tree** of life"—*re-gene-ration* into God's fuse-able, Agape DNA, immortal Light. This shared nature with God in Christ causes us to be built (fused) into the infrastructure of an unshakable 'realm' of mutual indwelling: "Who will **separate us** from the Agape of Christ? ...No created thing [*of fission power*] will be able to **separate us** from the Agape of God [*fusion into the Dwelling Place*], which is in Christ Jesus our Lord [*proven Nucleus*]." (Ro 8:35-39).

Being the center of all the types, **the veil**, all that kept God shut off from man, was now dealt with, and the way was open [*into the vulnerable Life of mutual indwelling with God*]...a **heavenly union** with a risen Lord, and all that that means...Christ is everything [*the Nucleus of the fusion of God and man*]....What is the Church? It is **Christ in living union** [*fusion Oneness*] **with His own**, that wheresoever two or three are gathered together in **His name** [*forfeiting their individual identity in perichoresis*] there He is in the midst [*one new, fused Man*]....Believers in

**living union** [*fusion*] with the risen Lord constitute the Church (T. Austin Sparks, The Risen Lord and the Things Which Cannot be Shaken, chapter 4).

“God is Agape” *and* “God is a dwelling place” *and* “the Lord whose name is **Jealous** is a jealous God” (Ex 34:14). The triune God is seriously **jealous for** this “living union” in the one body of His Son. The triune God **jealously guards** this bride, this cohabitation with man in Christ: “If any man destroys the temple of God [*many-membered body of Christ*], God will destroy him, for the temple of God is **holy**, and that is what you are” (1Cor 3:17). We will further examine “a jealous God” in volume two of *God Magnified*.

In superabundant Self-giving affection, the Trinity continually risks opening Their vulnerable “nest of rest” to man and willingly suffers to do so: “the **kingdom of heaven** [*vulnerable ‘nest’ of perichoresis*] **suffers violence**, and violent men [*orphans half-formed into sons*] take it by force. (Mt 11:12). “Salvation” is fusion into the Dwelling Place, inviting us into the peace and rest of Their fragile, yet indestructible Oneness. “Therefore, let us fear if, while a promise remains of **entering His rest** [*temporary age of mercy, inclusion*], any one of you [*individualists*] may seem to have come short of it [*in self-preservation*]” (Heb 4:1)

“Entering His rest” means entering into the

perichoresis of the Dwelling Place by forfeiting ourselves into the Nucleus of the Son; it is *rest* from the tyranny of self-consciousness and self-gratification, and it is *rest* in reciprocal mutual indwelling. “**I will feed** [*the ‘One Cake’ Antidote in My Son to*] **the flock** [*those willing to listen and follow Me*] and I will cause them to lie down in **rest** [*built/fused into the Cornerstone of the Dwelling Place*]” (Ezek 34:15).

The “ark of the covenant” in the temple clearly represented Christ; but **Noah’s “ark”** was also a type of the Nucleus of the Dwelling Place opened to us in the person of Jesus, in Whom we are saved from the wrath to come (Mt 24:37). “The dove flew here and there but found **no resting place** for the sole of her foot [*on the earth*], so she **returned** to Noah into the ark....Then he put out his hand and took her, and brought her **into the ark to himself**” (Gen 8:9). Jesus called out,

**Come to Me** [*lose your life into Me*], all who are **weary** [*lit. work to exhaustion*] and **heavy laden** [*tyranny of self-love*] and I will give you **rest** [*in Me—the Nucleus of the perichoresis of God*]. Take My yoke upon you and **learn from Me** [*how to freely, willingly, perpetually yield your individual life and autonomous will into fusion Oneness in God*], for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find

**rest** [*peace, perichoresis*] for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light (Mt 11:27-30).

While there is yet hope for us, the fierce custody battle over human beings continues:

And even if our gospel [*invitation into the Dwelling Place*] is **veiled**, it is veiled to those who are **perishing** [*children of “the lie”*] in whose case the god of this world [*false-father*] has blinded the minds of the unbelieving [*with mirages, false promises of gratification*] so that they might not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God [*Cornerstone of the Dwelling Place*] (2Cor 4:4).

The triune Dwelling Place is seeking those individuals who are willing to be made “alive” in Agape and therefore made “fit” to cohabit with Them in the vulnerability of perichoresis: “The Lord is in His **holy temple** [*eros-free, mutual indwelling*]...His eyes behold; **His eyelids test the sons of men** [*de-gene-rate ‘individualism’ or holy, fuse-able DNA?*]” (Ps 11:4). The “Architect and Builder” is seeking to *re-gene-rate willing* orphans into “living stones:”

Thus says the Lord, “Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where

then is a **house** you could build for Me?  
And where is **My resting place** [*relational dwelling of perichoresis*]? ...But to this one I will look [*to share a cohabitation*], to him who is humble and **contrite of spirit** [*acknowledges his eros darkness, poverty, alienation*] and who **trembles at My word** [*willingly receives the Antidote; forfeits himself into the Nucleus*]” (Is 66:1-2).

The essential dynamic of **repentance** includes: a willingness to stop chasing “the lie” (mirage of self-satisfaction), turning around 180°, coming to Jesus, and embracing the steep costs and painful process of being fit into the **Cornerstone**. “Everyone who [*willingly*] falls on that **stone** will be broken to pieces [*fused, saved*]; but on whomever it falls, it will scatter him like dust [*fission*].” (Luke 20:18).

The sons of Israel will **come** [*freely, in magnetism*]....They will go along weeping as they go [*in a broken, willing spirit*], and it will be the Lord their God [*Dwelling Place*] they will seek [*no more mirages*]. They will ask for the way to Zion, turning their faces in its direction [*teachable emigrants*]; they will come that they may **join themselves** [*in fusion*] **to the Lord** in an everlasting covenant that will not

be forgotten [*'unshakable' fusion agreement between God and the Son of Man sealed at the cross*].

[*But presently:*] “My people have become lost sheep [*fatherless*]; their shepherds have led them **astray** [*into con-fusion with “the father of the lie”*]. They have made them **turn aside** on the mountains [*chasing mirages*]; they have gone along from mountain to hill and have **forgotten their resting place**. All who came upon them have devoured them; and their adversaries have said, ‘We are not guilty, inasmuch as they have sinned [*in willful repulsion, fission*] against **the Lord who is the habitation of righteousness** [*Agape, perichoresis*]” (Jer 50:4-7).

The false-father cruelly exploits our **fear** of loss and fear of death to maintain his custody of us. We are so predictable; Satan keeps us leashed because our *de-gene-rate* instinct of self-preservation compels us to do anything and everything to survive: “Through **fear of death** we were subject to slavery all our lives” (Heb 2:15). However, “there is **no fear** in agape; but perfect agape casts out **fear**” (1John 4:18). In perichoresis, we can truly rest because it is no longer necessary to preserve our own lives:

For we know that if the **earthly tent** which is our house [*individual nucleus*] is torn down [*forfeited in sacrificial self-giving*], we have a **building from God** [*mutual indwelling in the Nucleus of Christ*], a house not made with hands [*Dwelling Place*], eternal in the heavens (2Cor 5:1).

Those who are chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father [*adoption*] by the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit [*purging self-love; naturalization into Agape*], to obey Jesus Christ [*“lose your life into Me”*] and be sprinkled with His blood [*bloodline of God, fuse-able DNA*]: May grace and **peace be yours** [*lit. multiplied for you*] **in the fullest measure** [*exponential peace: fusion into the Cornerstone of the Dwelling Place*] (1Pet 1:1-2).

God-consciousness *displaces* self-consciousness and “casts out all fear.” We are not called to *renovate* ourselves, neither are we capable of doing so. Our renovation is the work of the triune God: “His task, His unusual task...His work, His extraordinary work” (Isa 28:21). It is *our* work to *magnify* the triune God, to *believe* into the Nucleus, to *worth-ship*, and to *yield*: “For I am confident of this very thing, that God who began a good work in you [*re-gene-ration*] will perfect

it until the day of Christ Jesus” (Phil 1:6). Be *free* and *at rest* from the burden of transforming yourself, knowing God has *accepted* and *received* you just as you are; put your confidence in the Holy Spirit—the *Re-gene-rator*—Who was sent to finish the renovation work in you, which the Father initiated and the Son made possible.

Beat your breasts for the pleasant fields [*harvest of gene-rous sons and daughters*], for the **fruitful vine**, for the land of my people in which **thorns** and **briars** [*self-gratifying predators*] shall come up; yea, for all the joyful houses and for the jubilant **city** [*the one betrothed as a **bride** has become an adulteress*]. Because the **palace** [*cohabitation*] has been **abandoned** [*all have fled to preserve their autonomous nuclei and seek their own desire*], and the populated **city forsaken**...a delight for wild donkeys [*willful beasts*]....

Until the **Spirit** [*Re-gene-rator*] **is poured out upon us from on high** [*Pentecost, Acts 2*], and the wilderness becomes a fertile field [*prepared for the Seed*], and the fertile field is considered as a forest [*yielding sons and daughters mature in the likeness of the triune God*]. Then justice [*equality in reciprocal self-sharing*] will dwell in the

wilderness and righteousness [*the Seed of Agape*] will abide in the fertile field [*in the broken, poor, and willing*]. And the **work of righteousness** [*sacrificial self-giving*] will be **peace**, and the **service of righteousness** [*perichoresis*], quietness and confidence forever. Then My people will live in a **peaceful habitation**, and in **secure dwellings** and in **undisturbed resting places** [*shared 'nest' of the Dwelling Place*] (Isa 32:12-18).

To further understand the kingdom of God as a 'nest of rest,' read Lifechangers *Plumbline* by Eric Mumford entitled *Nesting in His Altar*.

## NOW-BUT-NOT-YET

Concerning our *present* circumstances and *current* position in the kingdom of God, the New Testament can seem confusing at first and even contradictory, that is, until the Spirit guides us into Reality. "God...made us alive together with Christ [*perichoresis among men*] and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus [*perichoresis with the Trinity*]" (Eph 2:4-6). We are already *there*, yet at the same time we are still "looking for the blessed **hope** [*of perfected fusion Oneness*] and the appearing of the glory [*unshielded Light*] of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus" (Titus 2:13). We who have

believed are *now* “in Christ Jesus,” but we are still “coming to Him as to a living stone” (1Pet 2:4). So, are we *in* or are we *not in*?

The Dwelling Place is a purely *relational* ‘realm’—**mutual indwelling**; therefore, the more we *mature* in sacrificial self-giving both individually and corporately, losing ourselves together into fusion in “God in Christ,” the more we are *in* the Dwelling Place. It is *wrong* to think of the Dwelling Place as a geographical destination—‘getting to heaven’—it is a relational **fullness**: “For in Christ all the **fullness** of Deity [*Trinity*] **dwells** in bodily form, and [*relocated and fused*] in Him you have been made **full**” (Col 2:9-10).

Peter testified that we have been “born again to a living **hope** [*of perfected Oneness in God in Christ*] through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead” (1Peter 1:3). We are alive, but we are **not yet fully alive**: “Christ in you, the **hope** of glory [*unhindered, reciprocal, Agape relationship—fusion*]” (Col 1:27). To **fully** enter the *relational* Dwelling Place, we must be **fully awake** relationally—**fully alive** to God and one another and therefore **fully dead** to self: “consider yourselves to be **dead** to sin [*self-love*], but **alive** to God in Christ Jesus” (Ro 6:11). Until the perfected Son of Father’s Agape is “**fully formed**” in us, we [*de-gene-rates*] cannot even imagine what it is like to be **fully alive** to another.

“This **hope** [*of glory*] we have as an anchor of the soul, a **hope** both sure and steadfast and one which **enters** within the veil [*right now*]” (Heb 6:19). We are there, but we are not *fully* there; we are already entering, but the *relational* nature of the kingdom is such that entering into the Dwelling Place is both a one-time act *and* it is a life-long journey. We are saved, *and* we are “*being saved*” (1Cor 1:18). Paul was “caught up to the third heaven” (2Cor 12:2), but he also testified, “Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but **I press on...**” (Phil 3:12).

Earlier we introduced the reality of *reciprocal inheritance*. The triune God has already given *all* of Themselves to us in Christ, and though we have received the Cornerstone (entered into the Nucleus), we have not yet become fully mature in Him—the Cornerstone is not yet fully established in us. Therefore, in a very real sense, it is not *we* who are waiting for the Dwelling Place; **the triune Dwelling Place is actually waiting for us**. The Trinity cannot fully inherit us into Themselves (us in the Dwelling Place) until we fully inherit Them, that is, forfeit our lives and mature in Their fuse-able nature (the Dwelling Place in us)—“the kingdom of God *mature* within you” (Luke 17:21).

Until the triune Dwelling Place in Christ “is fully formed in you,” this is our present reality: “For **now** we see [*the triune Dwelling Place*] in a

**mirror** dimly [*we are half-formed in Their relational likeness*], but **then** face to face; **now** I know [*the Dwelling Place*] in part, but **then** I will **know fully** just as I also have been **fully known** [*full perichoresis, full Dwelling Place*]” (1Cor 13:12). We inherit the Trinity as One in Christ; They are waiting to inherit *us* as one in Christ—one bride. “*Eternal Life*” in the Dwelling Place is a Face-to-face, reciprocal love affair of mutual indwelling in the God-Man.

We are *saved* from self-love, and we are “*being saved*” from self-love. “Beloved, now we are children of God [*legally adopted; saved*], and it has not appeared as yet what we will be [*fully re-gene-rated, fused bride*]” (1John 3:2). In Christ we have been “made righteous [*Seed implanted*],” yet “we, through the Spirit [*“down-payment” on the fullness*], by faith, are **waiting** for the hope of righteousness [*complete re-gene-ration*]” (Gal 5:5). “For our **citizenship** is in heaven [*legalized adoption*], from which also we eagerly **wait** for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ” (Phil 3:20). The bride and Groom wait for one another. Our *eager waiting* for the return of the Groom is an important part of our formation as one bride.

For the anxious longing of the [*first, decaying*] creation **waits** eagerly for the revealing of the [*naturalized, gene-rous*] sons of God....And not only this, but also

we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit [*legalized adoption; Seed of fullness*], even we ourselves groan within ourselves, **waiting** eagerly for our adoption [*full re-gene-ration*] as sons, the redemption of our [*one fused*] body (Ro 8:19).

When Jesus began His public ministry, He gave an ‘inaugural address’ on the kingdom of God. The King proclaimed eight beatitudes, which mapped out exactly where He would lead those willing to follow Him. The eight beatitudes represent our life’s journey—the ‘birth canal’ into *gen-uine*, fuse-able, fruit-bearing sons of God. Curiously, both the first and the last beatitude have the *exact same* reward (blessing):

Blessed are the **poor in spirit** [*those willing to receive the Seed; babes*], for theirs is the kingdom of God [*Dwelling Place fully given*]....Blessed are the **persecuted** [*willingly suffer*] for the sake of righteousness [*Seed mature; Trinity-like children*], for theirs is the kingdom of God [*Dwelling Place fully received, assimilated*] (Mt 5:3, 10).

## “THE HOUSE OF MY PILGRIMAGE”

In Psalm 119, there is a certain unusual phrase that seems to be a paradox, which the Spirit

graciously *magnified* for me. It has served as the most meaningful and comforting gift from Him, enabling me to understand and come to peace with this *now-but-not-yet* reality: “Your statutes are my songs in **the house of my pilgrimage**” (Ps 119:54). “*House*” in Hebrew is *bayith*, meaning: home, habitation, family dwelling, those belonging to the same household. “*Pilgrimage*” in Hebrew is *magur*, meaning: sojourning place, lifetime sojourning, to be a stranger. These two terms seem *contradictory*, but they describe our day-to-day life, *Emigrating to the Kingdom* in the God-Man.

Those who have received Jesus are truly Father’s adopted children, yet we are still journeying into the infinite Homeland of our new Father, into a place altogether foreign to us in culture, government, social structure, ‘architecture,’ etc. Like Abraham, we are **emigrants** into the triune Dwelling Place of God in Christ; we are **not yet Home**, but neither are we homeless vagrants and wanderers. Kingdom emigrants “confess that they are strangers and exiles on the earth” (Heb 11:13). We are consciously aware that we do not belong here; we belong to Father. We are also **entirely at home** in the Person of the Son; ‘the Home’ Who was sent to lead us ‘Home.’

The Father, Son, and Spirit came Themselves in Christ (Immanuel: God with us) to lead us into Themselves. They sent the Nucleus of the

Dwelling Place to us, yet all Three were *in* Him. The God-Man Jesus is Himself “**the house of my pilgrimage;**” therefore, we are *at* Home even while on the emigrant *journey* Home. Just as the Son, Christ Jesus, was still *with* the Father and *one* with the Father through the Holy Spirit while His Human feet walked among us on the earth, so also when the Son, Christ Jesus, ascended back to the Father He took us all Home with Him even though our feet are still on earth.

If you have been raised up with Christ [*into the nest of God's Oneness*], **keep seeking** [*emigrating toward*] **the things above**, where Christ is, seated at the **right hand of God** [*in the Son, with Father, through the Spirit*]. Set your minds on the **things above** [*mutual indwelling by sacrificial self-giving-fusion Oneness*], not on the things that are **on earth** [*self-gratifying individualism, fission*]. For you have **died** [*to self*] and **your life is hidden with Christ in God** [*safe in the unshakable “house of my pilgrimage”*]. When **Christ, who is our life** [*Person in Whom and through Whom we now enter, rest, and participate in the Dwelling Place*], is revealed [*second coming*], **then** you also will be **revealed with Him in glory** [*fully perfected in Agape Oneness; arrival into the fullness of the Dwelling Place*] (Col 3:1-4).

## LIVING ON THE “HIGHWAY”

Jesus is the *four-dimensional* **Cornerstone**; in the God-Man, the individual Persons of the Godhead and the individual, *human* “members” of His body are *fused* in one **Nucleus**: “the summing up of all things in Christ” (Eph 1:10). This entire Dwelling Place of *cohabitation*—“the kingdom of God”—is contained within one, infinite Son. In profound humility, Jesus invites us into this awesome Reality of *mutual indwelling* contained within Him by simply saying “I am the **door**.” When we magnify the God-Man Jesus, we see the whole Dwelling Place, “God in Christ,” the “fullness dwelling in Him.” Further magnification of this comprehensive Nucleus reveals “**the house of my pilgrimage**.” When we magnify this “sent One” yet further, He is a “**Highway**”—God has provided a Way for us to come Home.

They will see the **glory** of the Lord [*Light of the Trinity in fusion in Christ*], the majesty of our God. Encourage the exhausted, and strengthen the feeble [*“weary and heavy-laden,” poor in spirit*]. . . . Behold, your God will come with vengeance [*Vortex of Jealousy*]; the recompense of God will come, but He will save [*adopt and re-gene-rate*] you. Then the eyes of the blind will be opened and the ears of the

deaf with be unstopped [*zombies cured by the Antidote*]...waters will break forth in the wilderness [*Spirit of the Son poured out on a fruitless, de-gene-rate wasteland*].... The scorched land will become a pool... and **in the haunt of jackals** [*senseless, predatory beasts*], **its resting place** [*God's renovated dwelling: self-gratifying beasts 'made new'*]....

[*How will this happen?*] A **highway** will be there, a **roadway**, and it will be called the **Highway of Holiness** [*Son: "I am **the way** the truth and the life"*]. The unclean will not travel on it, but it will be for him who walks that way [*emigrating to the kingdom*], and [*self-satiated*] fools will not wander on it. No lion [*eros predator*] will be there, nor will any **vicious beast** go up on it; these will not be found there [*eros-free zone*]. But the **redeemed** [*adopted*] of the Lord will walk there [*practicing Agape/perichoresis in "the house of my pilgrimage"*], and the **ransomed** [*from self-love, darkness*] **will return** [*into the interpersonal image and relational likeness of their triune Creator, Light*] and come with joyful shouting to Zion [*sacrificial self-giving priests in the Dwelling Place*], with everlasting joy on their heads [*perichoresis*]. They will find

gladness and joy [*superabundant Life in fusion in the Dwelling Place*] (Isaiah 35).

Conscious that He Himself was the “**Highway**,” Jesus continually said, “Hear My voice” and “Come to Me” and “Believe into Me” and “Eat My flesh” and “Abide in Me” and “Follow Me” and “Learn of Me.” The ‘Highway to Heaven’ is *not* a list of religious things *self* must do to get to a ‘place’ *self* wants to be; the “Highway” is a Person, the well-pleasing Son. Our “Forerunner,” the tested, perfected God-Man, blazed a brand-new trail for us as a Man and became “**the Way**” (Acts 9:2; 19:23; 24:14). The **on-ramp** to the Highway is losing our autonomous lives into the Son. It is a very “narrow” exit and easy to miss. Among all the myriad of broad, easy, alternate roads leading to mirages of self-gratification, we choose only Him. “For the gate is small and **the way is narrow** that leads to life, and there are few who find it” (Mt 7:14).

Walking on that *Highway* is a ‘Way of life:’ simply allowing the Son to live out *His* sacrificial self-giving life through you: “it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live, I live by faith in the Son of God...” (Gal 2:20). The Highway is **His way**, going in the direction *He* wants go. *His* hands are firmly on the steering wheel, and we travel at the speed *He* desires: “**the Agape of Christ controls us** [*Christ’s*

*sacrificial self-giving 'way of life' is now ours]*" (2Cor 5:14). *Remaining on the Highway no matter what may come, progressively cleanses us of self-love and self-will, perfecting us in the Light of holiness: "you shall not turn aside [off the Highway] to the right or to the left [into self-consciousness; "the lie"; chasing mirages of self-gratification; avoiding necessary trials in self-preservation]"* (Deut 5:32). The "Highway" truly gets us to the Dwelling Place.

In My **Father's house** [*located in the Nucleus of My own body*] there are many **dwelling places** [*room for each, unique individual*], if it were not so, I would have told you; for **I go** [*through death and resurrection—a Way*] **to prepare a place for you** [*in the Nucleus of My own body*], I will come again and **receive you into Myself**, that where I am [*in the Father, in the Spirit*], there you may be also. And **you know the way where I am going** [*My sacrificial self-giving Way of life—The Agape Road—which leads to the Dwelling Place*]....I am **the way** [*Highway of Holiness*], and the truth [*gen-uine Son*], and the life [*Nucleus of the cohabitation of the Trinity and man in Oneness*]; no one comes to the Father but through Me (John 14:1-6).

Like Abraham, those who spend their whole lives moving forward on this “Highway,” who will not ‘exit’ for *anything*, are **emigrating** into the kingdom. They are “heirs of God,” the triune Dwelling Place. The Person of the Son is the “Highway” carrying these emigrants into the relational maturity in sacrificial self-giving, which results in fuse-able DNA and perichoresis in the Dwelling Place. Of course, the *example* that the Son set for us is powerful, but the Highway is much more than an example. The Highway is the dynamic Reality of “**Christ in you:**” the Son’s vital, resurrection life being lived out in and through us because **His own Spirit indwells us.** The Son’s own affection for Father and the Spirit of His Father; His own yielding to Them and confidence in Them; His own ‘default mode’ of laying His life down for others directly affects our daily choices and becomes within us a ‘**Way of life.**’ This Highway leads directly into perichoresis with the Trinity and one another.

Father “rescued us from the domain of **darkness** [*self-love*], and transferred us to the kingdom of the Son of His Agape [*self-giving Love*]” (Col 1:13). It was Father who placed us on the “Highway” of His well-pleasing Son, which leads to the eternal Dwelling Place, the quality of Life in perichoresis that the Father, Son, and Spirit shared from eternity. “For through the Son [*sacrificial Self-giving Way*] we have our access in

one Spirit [*indwelling Guide*] to the Father” (Eph 2:18).

We are immature in Agape, ‘babes’ barely able to walk and willful ‘teens’ still enamored by the mirage of independence. We recognize Him and love Him but we are still very self-focused—we are half-formed, not yet a mature, suitable bride prepared to lose herself into the Dwelling Place. Yet, how we miss Him; how we “groan within ourselves,” aching for Him!

O send out Your **light** and Your **truth**  
[*Son of Father’s Agape and the Spirit of the Son; photosynthesis*], and let them lead me [*progressive transformation*]; let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling places [*into the Agape Oneness of the Trinity*]. Then [*in the fusion power of Christ within me*] **I will go** [*daily, as a willing, living sacrifice*] **to the altar** [*fusion chamber*] **of God**; to God my exceeding joy [*true Love*] (Ps 43:3-4).

Jesus promised, “I will not leave you as **orphans** [*de-gene-rates*]; I will come to you [*as a Groom for His prepared bride*]” (John 14:8). The Groom waits eagerly; He *actively* waits. The Groom has not left us. He has sent His Spirit to accompany us on the “the Way” and to lead us into all the truth: “Your ears will hear a word behind you, **This is**

**the way** [*the Highway, the Son's way*], **walk in it**, whenever you **turn** to the right or to the left [*into self-gratification, 'individualism,' darkness*]" (Isa 30:21).

The relational *fullness* of the eternal Dwelling Place increases in us and among us as we continue **emigrating** *out* of our "old self" (the 'individualist') and *into* Christ Himself: "if anyone is *in* Christ, he is a **new creature**; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come [*fusion into the Dwelling Place*]" (2Cor 5:17). The Scriptures speak at length about **perseverance** (an essential term for emigrants). The Seed of Christ is truly in us, yet the Seed must grow. As we continue to *hear* the voice of the Good Shepherd within us, *following* Him daily and *practicing* reciprocal sacrificial self-giving with Him and those He entrusts to us, He is leading us in "**the Way**" of progressive *re-gene-ration*—patiently *untwisting* us from the *de-gene-rate* likeness of "the father of the lie" and conforming us to His own: "For in this way the **entrance into the eternal** kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ [*Dwelling Place*] will be **abundantly supplied** to you [*in fullness*]" (2Pet 1:11).

In Your **lovingkindness** [*superabundant Agape, omnipotent mercy*] You have led the people [*willful, half-formed orphans*] whom You have redeemed [*adopted*]; in

Your **strength** [*the re-gene-rative power of the Holy Spirit*] You have **guided** them to Your **holy** [*eros-free*] **habitation** [*into the unapproachable Light of the triune Dwelling Place*] (Ex 15:13).

For a broader understanding of how to relocate to the Dwelling Place, read Lifechangers *Plumblin*e by Eric Mumford entitled, *Emigrating to the Kingdom*.

*God Magnified* reveals an “**Us**”—a Father, Son, and Spirit in eternal **Oneness**—Three uncreated Individuals Who share the same **Agape** DNA. As we further *magnify* this Trinity, we see “God is a **sun**”—three, sacrificial Self-givers in perpetual *fusion* in one Nucleus, the Son, the God-Man Jesus Christ. *Magnifying* the triune God yet further reveals “**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY...the Almighty**”—Three relational Individuals *mutually indwelling* One Another in an eros-free **Dwelling Place** of omnipotent **Light**.

To *worth-ship* the triune God means to *magnify* Them. Exposure to “the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ” (2Cor 4:6) yields a Life-giving *photosynthesis* that is transforming us into the image and likeness of the Trinity. These Three sacrificial Self-sharers have purposed to make human beings an ‘us’ in fusion Oneness in Christ by *re-gene-rating* us

into Their own Agape DNA. We are called to be “sharers of Their holiness,” mature “children of Light,” predestined to fit into the infrastructure of the Dwelling Place that “God is.” Even now, together in the Nucleus of Christ, we are being transformed, made ready to “shine forth as the **sun** in the kingdom [*Dwelling Place*] of our Father” (Mt 13:43).





















