

Wilt thou love God, as he thee? then digest,
My soul, this wholesome meditation,
**How God the Spirit, by angels waited on
In heaven, doth make his temple in thy breast.**
The Father having begot a Son most blessed,
And still begetting, (for he ne'er begun)
Hath deigned to choose thee by adoption,
Coheir to' his glory, 'and Sabbath's endless rest;
And as a robbed man, which by search doth find
His stol'n stuff sold, must lose or buy it again:
The Son of glory came down, and was slain,
Us whom he had made, and Satan stol'n, to unbind.
'Twas much, that man was made like God before,
But, that God should be made like man, much more.

1 Corinthians 6:19

(ESV)

19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own,

Exodus 40:34

(ESV)

The Glory of the Lord

34 Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and **the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.**

2 Chronicles 5:13-14

(ESV)

13 and it was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the Lord), and when the song was raised, with trumpets and cymbals and other musical instruments, in praise to the Lord,

John 1:14

(ESV)

14 And **the Word became flesh and dwelt among us**, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Webster (1828)

TABERNACLE, verb intransitive To dwell; to reside for a time; to be housed; as we say, Christ tabernacled in the flesh.

Psalm 132

(ESV)

The Lord Has Chosen Zion

A Song of Ascents.

1

Remember, O Lord, in David's favor,
all the hardships he endured,

2

how he swore to the Lord

and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob,

3

“I will not enter my house
or get into my bed,
4
I will not give sleep to my eyes
or slumber to my eyelids,
5
until I find a place for the Lord,
a dwelling place for the Mighty One
of Jacob.”

6
Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah;
we found it in the fields of Jaar.

7
“Let us go to his dwelling place;
let us worship at his footstool!”

8
**Arise, O Lord, and go to your resting
place,
you and the ark of your might.**

9
**Let your priests be clothed with
righteousness,
and let your saints shout for joy.**

10
**For the sake of your servant David,
do not turn away the face of your
anointed one.**

11
The Lord swore to David a sure oath
from which he will not turn back:
“One of the sons of your body
I will set on your throne.

12
If your sons keep my covenant
and my testimonies that I shall teach
them,
their sons also forever
shall sit on your throne.”

13
For the Lord has chosen Zion;

he has desired it for his dwelling
place:

14
**“This is my resting place forever;
here I will dwell, for I have desired
it.**

15
**I will abundantly bless her provisions;
I will satisfy her poor with bread.**

16
**Her priests I will clothe with
salvation,
and her saints will shout for joy.**

17
There I will make a horn to sprout for
David;

I have prepared a lamp for my
anointed.

18
His enemies I will clothe with shame,
but on him his crown will shine.”

John 14:16
(ESV)

16 And I will ask the Father, and he
will give you **another Helper**, to be
with you forever,

Acts 2:1-4
(ESV)

The Coming of the Holy Spirit
2 When the day of Pentecost arrived,
they were all together in one place.
2 And suddenly there came from
heaven a sound like a mighty rushing
wind, and it filled the entire house
where they were sitting. 3 And divided
tongues as of fire appeared to them and
rested on each one of them. 4 **And they
were all filled with the Holy Spirit and**

began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

John 14:16

(ESV)

*16 And I will ask the Father, and **he will give you another Helper**, to be with you forever;*

Ezekiel 36:22-38

(ESV)

I Will Put My Spirit Within You

*22 “Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. 23 And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. 24 I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. 25 **I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. 26 And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. 28 You shall dwell in the land***

that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. 29 And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you. 30 I will make the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field abundant, that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations. 31 Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations. 32 It is not for your sake that I will act, declares the Lord God; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel.

33 “Thus says the Lord God: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt. 34 And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by. 35 And they will say, ‘This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.’ 36 Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the Lord; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it.

37 “Thus says the Lord God: This also I will let the house of Israel ask me to do for them: to increase their people like a flock. 38 Like the flock for

sacrifices, like the flock at Jerusalem during her appointed feasts, so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of people. Then they will know that I am the Lord.”

Habakkuk 2:20

(ESV)

20

But the Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”

Psalm 42

(ESV)

Why Are You Cast Down, O My Soul?

1

*As a deer pants for flowing streams,
so pants my soul for you, O God.*

2

*My soul thirsts for God,
for the living God.*

When shall I come and appear before God?

3

*My tears have been my food
day and night,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”*

4

*These things I remember,
as I pour out my soul:
how I would go with the throng
and lead them in procession to the house of
God
with glad shouts and songs of praise,
a multitude keeping festival.*

5

*Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God.*

*My soul is cast down within me;
therefore I remember you
from the land of Jordan and of Hermon,
from Mount Mizar.*

7

*Deep calls to deep
at the roar of your waterfalls;
all your breakers and your waves
have gone over me.*

8

*By day the Lord commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.*

9

I say to God, my rock:

“Why have you forgotten me? [Craves for God.]

*Why do I go mourning
because of the oppression of the enemy?”*

10

*As with a deadly wound in my bones,
my adversaries taunt me,
while they say to me all the day long,
“Where is your God?”*

11

***Why are you cast down, O my soul,
and why are you in turmoil within me?
Hope in God; for I shall again praise him,
my salvation and my God.***

Romans 8:9-11

(ESV)

9 You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. 10 But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 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.

From John Owen, *The Holy Spirit* (18907-18928):

He doth it in us and by us, or enableth us so to do; for **the Spirit himself without us [perhaps, “outside of us,” “outside of our hearts,” “outside of His temple”] hath no office to be performed immediately towards God, nor any nature inferior unto the divine wherein he might intercede.** The whole of any such work with respect unto us is incumbent on Christ; he alone in his own person performeth what is to be done with God for us. **What the Spirit doth, he doth in and by us. He therefore directs and enableth us to make supplications “according to the mind of God.”** And herein God is said to “know the mind of the Spirit;” that is, his end and design in the matter of his requests. This God knows; that is, approves of and accepts. **So it is the Spirit of God who directs us as to the design and end of our prayers, that they may find acceptance with God.**

Again; what we have spoken concerning the promises must also be applied unto all the precepts or commands of God. These in like manner are the matter of our prayers, both as to confession and supplication; and without a right

understanding of them, we can perform no part of this duty as we ought. This is evident in their apprehension who, repeating the words of the decalogue, do subjoin their acknowledgments of a want of mercy, with respect unto the transgression of them I suppose, and their desires to have their hearts inclined to keep the law. **But the law with all the commands of God are spiritual and inward, with whose true sense and importance, in their extent and latitude, we cannot have a useful acquaintance but by the enlightening, instructing efficacy of the grace of the Spirit.** And where this is, the mind is greatly supplied with the true matter of prayer; for when the soul hath learned the spirituality and holiness of the law, its extent unto the inward frame and disposition of our hearts, as well as unto outward actions, and its requiring absolute holiness, rectitude, and conformity unto God, at all times and in all things, then doth it see and learn its own discrepancy from it and coming short of it, even then when as to outward acts and duties it is unblamable. And hence do proceed those confessions of sin, in the best and most holy believers, which they who understand not these things do deride and scorn. **By this means, therefore, doth the Holy Spirit help us to pray, by supplying us with the due and proper matter of supplications, even by acquainting us and affecting our hearts with the spirituality of the command, and our coming short**

thereof in our dispositions and frequent inordinate actings of our minds and affections. He who is instructed herein will on all occasions be prepared with a fullness of matter for confession and humiliation, as also with a sense of that grace and mercy which we stand in need of with respect unto the obedience required of us.

He alone guides and directs believers to pray or ask for any thing in order unto right and proper ends: for there

is nothing so excellent in itself, so useful unto us, so acceptable unto God, as the matter of prayer; but it may be vitiated, corrupted, and prayer itself be rendered vain, by an application of it unto false or mistaken ends.

Romans 8:16

(ESV)

16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,