

# THE FACE OF GOD



Who can see the face of God and live?

God put Moses in the cleft of a rock so that he would not see his face as he passed by.

Ezekiel fell prostrate before God's glory.

Soldiers guarding the tomb became as dead men before the glistening messengers from heaven.

**Yet we are told to seek the face of God.**

***When you said, "Seek my face," my heart said to you, "I will seek your face, Yahweh."  
Don't hide your face from me. Don't put your servant away in anger.  
You have been my help.  
Don't abandon me, neither forsake me, God of my salvation.***

***Psalm 27***

How is it possible for us to see God's face?

Not only is it possible, it is essential.

How can we remain sane in this troubled world, if we cannot see the face of God?

How can we walk through this dark valley, unless we see the Father's face?

Lost amid all the trappings of Christianity is one simple fact:

**Jesus is the face of God.**

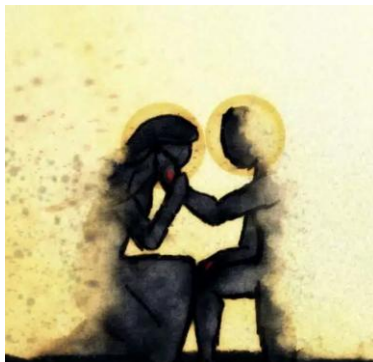


**Philip said to Jesus, “Lord, show us the Father and we will be satisfied.”  
Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know me, Philip?  
He who has seen me has seen the Father.”**

**John 14**

**Jesus, closer to us at this moment than our very breath, is the face of God.**

**When our hearts turn toward him, we are looking into the Father’s face.**

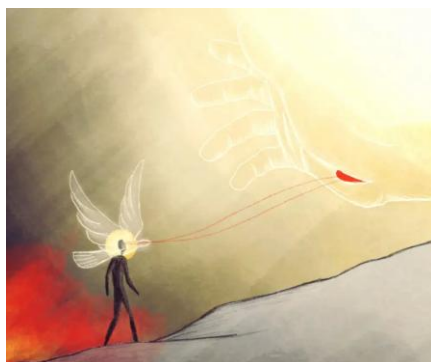


And we are transformed again and again.

**Until our hearts are changed forever.**

**And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being changed into his likeness from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.**

**II Corinthians 3**



*Prayer: Yes Lord, we need to see your face. How can we live, how can we face the darkness in this world without you? Lord, may we not give up seeking you and holding you in the midst of either trouble, monotony or busyness. May we continue to turn towards you, finding you closer than our breath, and knowing that dear Jesus, when we hear you, sense you, and know you... we are loved... and that we are in the presence of the Holy Father who loves us too. Help us to draw close so we may continue to behold your goodness, your glory, and so that, yes, our hearts are changed forever and we are transformed into your precious, beloved likeness. Amen.*

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