Dear Friend,

The apostle Paul said that the greatest mystery of all time, the one that had been hidden down through the ages, is ... Christ in you, the hope of glory.

Col 1:26-27 *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: (27) To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is <u>Christ in you</u>, the hope of glory:

In fact, most Christians have gotten so accustomed to the phrase "Christ in you" that it sort of rings hollow in modern times. What I mean is, that phrase really has little practical impact on our thinking. But recently the Holy Spirit phrased that same truth to me a little differently. He said it this way, "Honor the God who walks in you." I said something like ... What? The God who walks in me? There is a God walking in me? I need chapter and verse for that. Immediately from within I heard:

2Co 6:16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, <u>I will dwell in them</u>, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

The best relationship man could have in the Old Covenant was for God to walk among (with) them. Jesus told His disciples that the Holy Spirit had been "with" them ... but the day was coming [after Christ's resurrection] when the Holy Spirit would be "in" them.

Joh 14:16-17 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; (17) *Even* the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, <u>and shall be in you</u>.

But it is more than the Holy Spirit alone dwelling in us. The entire trinity lives within the believer:

Joh 17:21-23 That they all may be one; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. (22) And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: (23) I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

Php 2:13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Make this verse personal to you. Say it like this, "It is God who walks in me. Christ, the anointed one, walks in me. The Father, Son, the Holy Spirit ... the Triune God ... walks in me. I honor the God who walks in me." Jesus said we are to continue doing the same works He did while He was physically on earth. He also told us that it would still be "Him" doing those works.

Joh 14:12-14 Verily, Verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. (13) And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the

Son. (14) If ye shall ask any thing in my name, <u>I will do it.</u>

It is the Lord, Himself, from within each of us, doing the works. He is doing it to confirm the Word that we preach.

Mar 16:20 And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with *them*, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

We must get away from the notion that the Lord is working "from heaven" to confirm the Word. No, He is working from within the believer. He is working "with" the Word, but He is working from "within" us. I heard these words: "It is the great exchange. We are seated together in Him in heaven. He is walking in us on earth."

Eph 2:4-6 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, (5) Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) (6) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

Joh 17:26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare *it*: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

It is time for us to believe the Word of God. It is time to believe that God is within us, working and willing to do His good pleasure. It is time to boldly declare the Word to all we meet and to watch as the "God who walks in us" confirms the Word with signs following. "Lord, we honor you ... the God who walks in us."

Sue and I love you and appreciate you. We thank God for your generous and giving heart. God bless you!

Your friend and co-laborer,

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