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RE- FLECTING GOD

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John 14:5-14

In John 13-17 we enter the upper room. We hear Jesus' final teaching before the cross. We hear Him emphasize His oneness with the heavenly Father. "I am in the Father and the Father is in me" (14:11).

This mutual indwelling, along with the Holy Spirit, encompasses the Trinity. Jesus responds to Philip's question, "How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work" (14:9-10). Jesus revealed His Father completely: His words were the Father's words, His works were the works of the Father.

This mysterious intermingling of persons should not be dismissed as esoteric dogma. It has real practical meaning for Jesus' disciples today. "Whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father" (14:12). Jesus prayed that His disciples would share in that oneness (John 17:22-23). In that indwelling presence in our lives is all the truth, purpose, and power we will ever need.

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