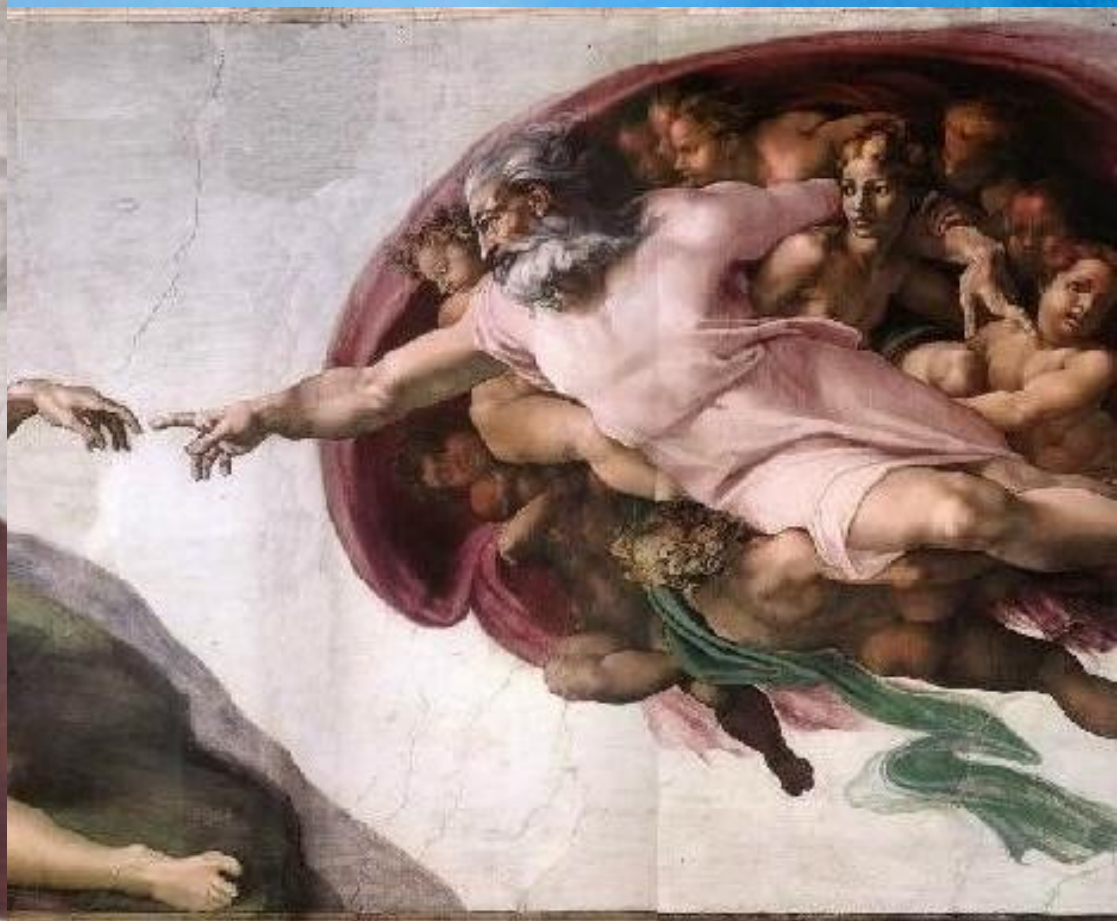


# SEEING GOD CLEARLY



# Where is God?



# God in the Garden

Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day...the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”

Genesis 3:8-9 (NIV)

# God Among the Israelites



# God In the Temple

When the priests withdrew from the Holy Place, the cloud filled the temple of the LORD. And the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the LORD filled his temple.

Then Solomon said, "The LORD has said that he would dwell in a dark cloud; I have indeed built a magnificent temple for you, a place for you to dwell forever.

I Kings 8:10-13 (TNIV)

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# God As Jesus

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only **Son...who is himself God**

John 1:14-18 (TNIV)

# Where is God today?



# **Where is God today?**

**Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.**

**Ephesians 2:18-22**

# Where is God today?

In him the whole building is joined together and rises **to become a holy temple in the Lord**. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling **in which God lives by his Spirit**.

Ephesians 2:18-22

# God In Us

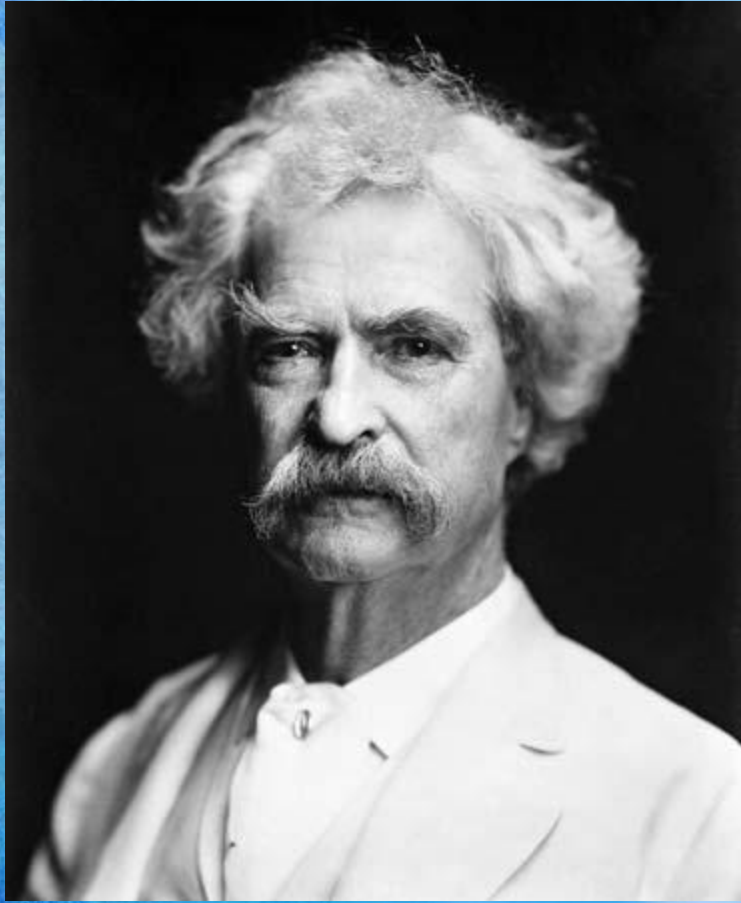
Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that **God's Spirit lives in you?**

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

# Seeing God Clearly

1. **Seeing God in ourselves is necessary to see our potential**

# God In Us



Who's the greatest general to ever live?

# God In Us

Since we **live by the Spirit**, let us **keep in step with the Spirit**. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other.

Galatians 5:25-26

# Seeing God Clearly

1. Seeing God in ourselves is necessary to see our potential
2. Seeing God in others is necessary to love each other

# Seeing God in Others

No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because **God's seed remains in him**; ... Anyone who does not do what is right is not a child of God; nor is anyone who does not love his brother.

1 John 3:9-10

# Seeing God in Others

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers....**let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth.**

**1 John 3:16-18**

# Seeing God Clearly

1. Seeing God in ourselves is necessary to see our potential
2. Seeing God in others is necessary to love each other
3. The world sees God through the church

# Seeing God Clearly

Don't you know that **you yourselves are God's temple** and that God's Spirit lives in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him; for God's temple is sacred, and **you are that temple.**

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

# Seeing God in the Church

God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages **he might show the incomparable riches of his grace...** For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which **God prepared in advance for us to do.**

Ephesians 2:4-10

The church is a holy temple - Ephesians 2:21

# Seeing God Clearly

1. Seeing God in ourselves is necessary to see our potential
2. Seeing God in others is necessary to love each other
3. The world sees God through the church
4. **We will see God clearly again**

# We Will See God

Genesis 1

Created Heaven

Created Earth

# REDEMPTION

Revelation 21

New Heaven

New Earth

Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and **God himself will be with them and be their God.**

Revelation 21:1-3