

Word Studies 6 – Divine Sacrifice

John 14

6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, **the truth**, and the life:
no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Thus **the great Intercessor** presents His petition to the Father. **No middle-man comes between the sinner and Christ.** No dead prophet, no buried saint is seen. Christ Himself is **our Advocate.** All that the Father is to His Son He is to those whom His Son in humanity represented. ST June 28, 1899.11

10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but **the Father that dwelleth in me**, he doeth the works.

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

16 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, and shall be in you.**

18 I will not leave you comfortless: **I will come to you.**

20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and **I in you.**

21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and **I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.**

22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, **how** is it that thou wilt **manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world.**

23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep **my words: and my Father** will love him, and **we will come** unto him, and make our abode with him.

2Cor 1:3 Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **the Father of mercies**, and **the God of all comfort**;

Jon 4:10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

“That Christ should **manifest Himself** to them, and **yet be invisible** to the world, was **a mystery** to the disciples. They could not understand the words of Christ in their **spiritual sense**... They could not take in the fact that they could have **the presence of Christ** with them, and yet He be **unseen by the world**. They did not understand the meaning of **a spiritual manifestation**.

Ms44-1897.3

Christ was **the Spirit of truth**. The world would not listen to His **pleadings**. They would not accept Him as their **guide**... And they shall have **His abiding presence**. Ms44-1897.8

He has assured you that **the Holy Spirit** was given to abide with you forever, to be your **pleader** and your **guide**. Ms44-1897.7

Rev 3:1 And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith **he that hath the seven Spirits of God**... Who is he?

Rev 2:18 And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith **the Son of God**

Rev 2:29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what **the Spirit saith** unto the churches.

Rev 5:6 in the midst of the elders, stood **a Lamb** as it had been slain, having **seven horns** and **seven eyes**, which are the **seven Spirits of God** sent forth **into all the earth**.

Christ had **two natures**, the **nature of a man** and the **nature of God**. In him **divinity** and **humanity** were combined... He exhibited a perfect **humanity**, combined with **deity**; and by preserving **each nature distinct**, he has given to the world a representation of the **character of God** and the **character of a perfect man**. GCB October 1, 1899, Art. B, par. 20

The **Son of God** became the **Son of man**... Though **He was the Son of God, the maker of the worlds** and all things, yet He took the part of a servant... Ms45-1892.2

He clothed his **divinity** with **humanity**, and thus **became the Son of man**, a Saviour and Redeemer. RH March 8, 1881.6

He presents before us **his two natures, divine and human**. Here is the description of **the divine**: “Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God.” He was “the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person.” RH July 5, 1887.3

Now, of **the human**: “He was made in the likeness of man:.. He voluntarily assumed human nature... He clothed his divinity with humanity. He was all the while as God, but he did not appear as God... he divested himself of the form of God, and in its stead took the form and fashion of a man... He laid aside his glory and his majesty. He was God, but **the glories of the form of God he for a while relinquished**. RH July 5, 1887.4

He was God, but the glories of the form of God **for a while He abandoned**. Lt11-1887.16

As a member of the human family he was mortal, but **as a God** he was the fountain of life to the world. He could, in **his divine person**, ever have withstood the advances of death RH July 5, 1887.5 Therefore, “his human person” could die.

The **Holy Spirit is Christ's representative**, but **divested of the personality of humanity**, and independent thereof. Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally. Therefore it was for their interest that He should go to the Father, and send the Spirit to be His successor on earth. DA 669.2 1898

Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His Father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. **The Holy Spirit is Himself, divested of the personality of humanity**, and independent thereof. He would **represent Himself** as present in all places **by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent**.

Personality of humanity (his human person, the Son of God);

Personality of divinity (his divine person, the Son of man).

As a member of the human family, He was **mortal**. But as **a God**, He was the Fountain of life to the world. He could in **His divine person** ever have withstood the advances of death and refused to come under its dominion; but He voluntarily laid down **His life**, that in so doing He might give life and bring immortality to light. Lt11-1887.17

Many had lost sight of Jesus. They needed to have their eyes directed to **His divine person**, His merits, and His changeless love for the human family. **All power is given into His hands**, that He may dispense rich gifts unto men, imparting the priceless gift of **His own righteousness** to the helpless human agent. Lt57-1895.43

Christ could have done nothing during His earthly ministry in saving fallen man if **the divine** had not been blended with **the human**. The limited capacity of man cannot define this wonderful mystery, the blending of **the two natures, the divine and human**. Lt5-1889.6

His **finite nature** was pure and spotless, but the **divine nature** that led Him to say to Philip, “He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father” also [John 14:9], was not humanized; **neither was humanity deified** by the blending or union of the two natures; **each retained its essential character and properties**. Ms57-1890.9

Was the **human nature** of the Son of Mary **changed into the divine nature of the Son of God?**—No; the two natures were mysteriously blended in **one person—the Man Christ Jesus**. In Him dwelt all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. Lt280-1904.9

Christ's **humanity** was united with **divinity**; He was fitted for the conflict by the **indwelling of the Holy Spirit**. And He came to make us partakers of the **divine nature**. So long as we are united to Him by faith, sin has no more dominion over us. DA 123.3

Another dangerous error, is the doctrine that denies **the divinity of Christ**, claiming that he had no **existence before his advent** to this world... it directly contradicts the plainest statements of our Saviour concerning his relationship with the Father, his **divine character**, and his **pre-existence**. GC88 524.2

Christ's **divinity**-divine character: **before** his advent to this world

Christ's **humanity**-human character: **after** his advent to this world

Christ is **invested** with power to give life to all creatures. "As the living Father hath sent me," He says, "and I live **by the Father**: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me." "It is **the spirit that quickeneth**; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are **spirit**, and they are **life**" (John 6:57, 63). Christ is not here referring to His doctrine, but to **His person, the divinity of His character**. 1SM 249.3; RH April 5, 1906

This was not done by going out of Himself to another, but by taking humanity into Himself. Thus Christ gave to humanity **an existence out of Himself**... The **Holy Spirit, which proceeds from the only-begotten Son of God**, binds the human agent, body, soul, and spirit, to the perfect, **divine-human nature of Christ**. 1SM 250.3; 251.1

John 5:21 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so **the Son quickeneth** whom he will.

1Cor 15:45 the last Adam was **made a quickening spirit**.

John 4:24 **God is a Spirit**: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

John 3:6 that which is **born of the Spirit is spirit**.

Think of Christ's humiliation... He united **humanity** with **divinity**: a **divine spirit** dwelt in a **temple of flesh**. He united **Himself** with the temple. YI Dec 20, 1900; 4BC 1147.4 a divine spirit = Himself

Matt 10:20 it is not ye that speak, but **the Spirit of your Father** which speaketh **in you**.

In Christ **divinity** and **humanity** were united, and the **only way** in which man may be an overcomer is through becoming a partaker of the divine nature.... **Divinity** and **humanity** are blended in him who has **the spirit of Christ**. YI July 30, 1892; SD 24.4

Gal 4:6 God hath sent forth **the Spirit of his Son** into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

The connection of the branch with the vine, Christ said to His disciples, represents the relation you are to sustain to Me. The scion is grafted into the living vine, and fibre by fibre, vein by vein, it grows into the vine-stock. The life of the vine becomes the life of the branch... Then he has **the mind of Christ**. The **humanity of Christ** has touched our humanity, and our humanity has touched **Divinity**. Thus, through the **agency of the Holy Spirit**, man becomes a partaker of the **divine nature**. He is accepted in the Beloved. ST September 7, 1904.3

Through the **operation of the Spirit of God** humanity may be connected with divinity. Jesus has promised to send the Comforter to lead us into all truth. "**My Spirit**," saith Christ, "is competent to influence the world. Those who will accept the provisions of **my grace** may be partakers of **my nature**." It is the **Comforter alone** that can convince the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment. Ms40a-1890.64

The **Lord Jesus was seen** as never before by his disciples, for the Holy Spirit revealed **his complex character of human and divine**... Yet Christ exemplified the law of Jehovah in humanity, and exalted **humanity** by connecting it with **the divine nature**. Humanity and divinity combined may represent **the character of Christ** and **the character of the Father**. Ms117-1894.12

When He ascended on high, He ascended with **His humanity. Divinity and humanity combined.** Now there is our hope, that He stands at the head of our humanity to work with every soul that will be worked, and to put **His spirit into every heart** that will accept it; Ms192-1903.10

Jesus frequently spent all night in prayer, **His humanity** taking hold on **the divinity of His Father**, from which Source came fresh supplies of restoring **power** to exercise in behalf of the sick and afflicted. We need **the Holy Spirit's power**, the calm assurance of faith that can claim God's promises. Lt168-1902.6

Christ declared... Clothing **My divinity** with **humility**, I will endure every temptation wherewith man is beset. I will call to My aid **the powers of heaven**, that men and women, imbued with **My Spirit**, may **overcome** as I overcame... 5MR 114.1

The nature of Christ was a combination of the **divine** and the **human. Having all the attributes of God...** Lt11a-1894; 11MR 344.1

Do not forget that you have a **Comforter, the Holy Spirit**, which Christ has appointed. You are never alone. If you will listen to the voice that now speaks to you, if you will respond without delay to the knocking at the door of your heart, "**Come in, Lord Jesus**, that I may sup with Thee, and Thee with me," **the heavenly Guest** will enter. When **this element, which is all divine**, abides with you, there is peace and rest. Letter 124, 1897. AH 350.3

The Spirit is all divine in its agency and demonstration. Lt77-1895.16

Lord Jesus, the heavenly Guest, all divine person of the Son of God

Truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

1John 1:3