

# REVELATION OF GOD

The words of Our Lord to St. Phillip are worthy of a great deal of notice: "Phillip, he that seeth Me, seeth the Father also." Jesus Christ is the REVELATION OF GOD to man. No man has ever seen God. Therefore, the only begotten Son, Who is in the Bosom of the Father, has had to demonstrate Him to us. When we try to think of God in His Divinity, we become totally dazzled by His brightness, and at times our thoughtful efforts to grasp God can be a temptation to discouragement and frustration and a trouble to us. God is so far above us, in a sphere so utterly beyond us that it is impossible for us to understand His dealings with His creatures. It is like trying to stuff all the oceans of the earth into a tiny thimble! In order to obtain some notion of God we must gaze, therefore, on Jesus. At the same time, if Jesus Christ, the Second Person of the Trinity, is to be discovered on earth by men, He is to be found — He will be found — clothed in all the elements of His Humanity and in all the circumstances and in all the human conditions proper for Man. The human vesture of Jesus Christ — God — in all its particulars, belongs to and is the apt clothing of the Divine. Therefore, the life of Jesus Christ amongst men is the Divine way of living on earth, Jesus Christ is GOD REVEALED. Only by a humble and trusting faith in Jesus Christ, we arrive at the best solution, possible for us, and all our difficulties about God! Every time we try to penetrate into the sanctuaries of God's secrets, God says to us: "This is my beloved Son, HEAR YE HIM." We are here given in God's Own words the solution to all our problems.

Jesus, the Baby, stretching out His tiny little arms to us in the crib of the dank stable of Bethlehem — IS GOD! Jesus being quickly and urgently rushed through the darkness of the night to the safety of Egypt — IS GOD! Jesus, the young Boy playing games with other young boys and roughed up by them — IS GOD! Jesus, the apprentice in the work shop of St. Joseph — IS GOD! Jesus, delivering furniture to customers and then asking for payment from them — IS GOD! Jesus, sitting in the second place at the dinner table in the Nazareth House, — IS GOD! Jesus, cleaning the Nazareth House and fetching water from the village well — IS GOD! Jesus eating with publicans and sinners — IS GOD! Jesus whose Feet were washed by the tears of a sinful (and penitential) woman — IS GOD! Jesus teaching us in the words of His parables — IS GOD! Jesus weeping over His friend Lazarus, — IS GOD! Jesus from His first moments in the Garden of Olives to the last moments on the steeps of Calvary — IS GOD! Jesus giving us His Body and Blood — IS GOD!

If we want to know "what" God is, we have to take a good look at Jesus! — JESUS IS GOD! and, miracle of miracles, the life of Jesus Christ from the first moment to the last moment, amongst men is the most appropriate, the Divine way for MAN TO LIVE ON EARTH!

Since the Incarnation we no longer think of Him as being so far away from us in Heaven, where we can scarcely reach Him even by thought. Now we can see Him and know Him as one of ourselves. A Man who could be seen, and heard, and handled; a Man with a country and a family, with ancestors good and bad; a Man with a Mother and a home; a Man with friends and enemies; a Man with a certain character and ways; with His likes and dislikes — (we certainly know He liked figs;) a Man with sorrows and joys. This Man is our God, the God whom we have to adore and love.

CAN ANYONE FAIL TO SEE THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE DIVINE VESTURE INTENDED BY GOD FOR MAN!?

## JESUS CHRIST IS THE REVELATION OF GOD TO MAN

1. Tuesday, September 8, 2009 is the beautiful Feast of the Nativity of our Blessed Mother; Saturday, September 12, 2009, is the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary; please say special prayers on these days.
2. There will be Catechism class after 10:00 AM Mass this morning.
3. There will be an Oblate Meeting this morning after the 10:00 AM Mass
4. **Please be conscientious about reading with much care, each week, the wonderful discourses on prayer by Father Gräf. Save them for future reference.**
5. Please pray for all the Sick and Shut-ins of our Chapels.
6. **MASSES FOR THE WEEK: (Father Abbot Leonard's schedule only)**

SUNDAY:	For the People of our Chapels
MONDAY:	Dec. Henry Frank Altmiks
TUESDAY:	Dec. Anna Altmiks
WEDNESDAY:	Dec. Anna Rita Huelskamp
THURSDAY:	Special Int. Margaret Rosenberg
FRIDAY:	Welfare Gerald Loyd
SATURDAY:	Dec. Rita Brueggemann

### *A Thought To Remember...*

— The Will of Man —

The will is a free faculty, whose action is subject to ourselves.  
On the working of the will the whole of the spiritual life depends!