

Do We Live As We Are Loved?

Do we live as though God exists? Do we worship as though God is present in the Eucharist? Do we live our lives with anything less than the foundation of God's infinite love for us?

"He searches out the abyss and penetrates the heart; their secrets he understands."

Sirach 42:18

If one were to look through the eyes of God, one might wonder about the greatest of creation... To witness your greatest creation walking about as if in a daze, with no real care for others or yourself, instead living for the rotting pleasures of this world and with the motto of "if it feels good, do it for it must be good".

One might picture God as looking like he's having a seizure with a constant shaking head and rolling eyes. But this is far from how God reacts to our attempts to live without His full guidance; God delights in us; He is fascinated by us. Maybe not in everything we do or say, or of what we do or say that causes pain and suffering to others and ourselves and in turn causes pain for God. Ours is not an unfeeling distant God, but one who weeps and suffers in compassion with us. When we cry... so does God, when we suffer... so does God, when we laugh...we do not laugh alone, when we dream...God dreams with us.

"Holy Father, we humbly beseech you to accept us also, together with your Son, and in this saving banquet graciously to endow us with his very Spirit, who takes away everything that estranges us from one another. May he make your Church a sign of unity and an instrument of your peace among all people and may he keep us in communion..." Eucharistic Prayer Reconciliation II

"Christ's presence in the Eucharist challenges human understanding, logic, and ultimately reason. His presence cannot be known by the senses, but only through faith - a faith that is continually deepened through that communion which takes place between the Lord and his faithful in the very act of the celebration of the Eucharist."
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Within the great mystery of the Eucharist God is able to reveal the great depths of His infinite being. It is in the Eucharist that we can contemplate all that we do not understand, it is where God and creation unite in one love and existence: creator and creation. The Sacrament of the Eucharist is *"the source and summit of the Christian life."* (*Lumen Gentium 11*) The great mystification of the Eucharist reveals to us the full depth, beauty and wonder of all creation and the harmony in which it exists.

*Grant that I may dwell, O' Lord,
forever in the depths of Your presence.*

*May that my heart be set on fire in the unity of all creation,
obtained in the Communion of Your presence.*

*Be alive and fruitful within my soul,
that I may be one with Your Spirit
fulfilling my vocation in this life*

through the eternal glory of Your presence Lord.

AMEN