

A photograph of a cornfield at sunset. The corn stalks are in the foreground, silhouetted against a bright orange and yellow sky. The sky is filled with soft, grey clouds. The text "Living From the Place Prepared" is overlaid on the left side of the image in a white, serif font. The word "From" is italicized. Below the text is a solid orange horizontal bar.

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the Place Prepared

## John 14:2-4

• ***In my Father's house*** there are many rooms. If it were not so, I would have told you. ***I am going there to prepare a place for you.*** And if I go and prepare a place for you, ***I will come back and take you to be with me*** that ***you also may be where I am.*** You know the way to the place where I am going.





John 14:6 ...  
14:10-11

- ***I am the way*** and the truth and the life. No one comes ***to the Father*** except through 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. ***Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;***



# John 14:16-20

- I will ask the Father, and he will give you ***another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth***. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But ***you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you***. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. ***Because I live, you also will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.***





## John 14:23 ...

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- Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and ***we will come to them and make our home with them.***

# John 14:25-29

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- All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. You heard me say, '***I am going away and I am coming back to you.***' If you loved me, you would be glad that ***I am going to the Father***, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

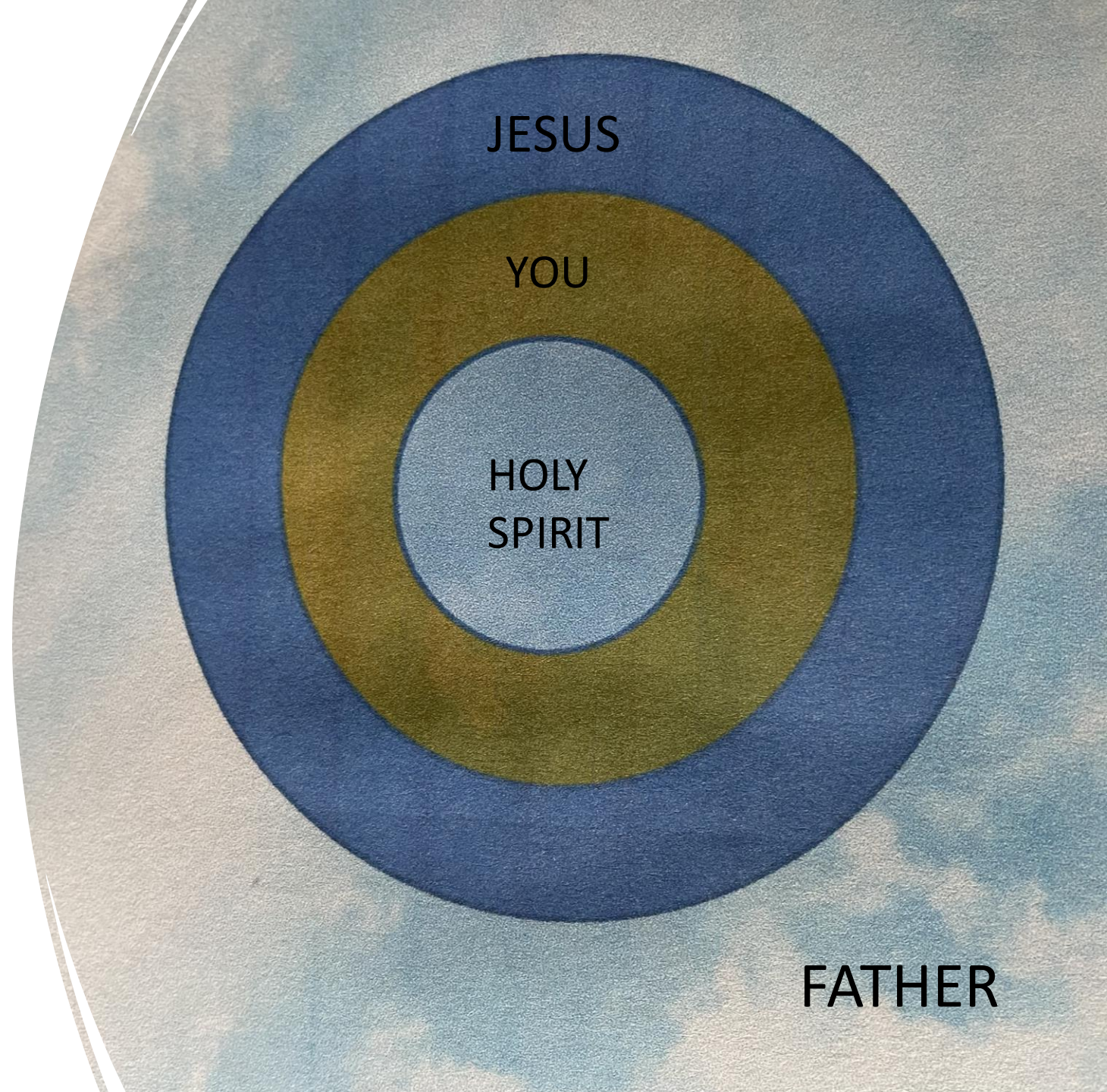


John 15:4...  
John 15: 9-  
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- ***Remain in me, as I also remain in you.***
- As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now ***remain in my love.*** If you keep my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commands and remain in his love. ***I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.*** My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.

# The Place Prepared...

- ***I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.***
- Filled, surrounded, immersed in the presence of God





# Ephesians 1:18-23

- *I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you*, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

## Ephesians 1:3

- Praise be to the **God** and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who ***has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.***

## 2 Corinthians 5:17

- Therefore, ***if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come:*** The old has gone, the new is here!



## Ephesians 2: 4-9

- But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ***-And 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, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.*** For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast.



## Colossians 3: 1-4

- Since, then, **you have been raised with Christ**, set your hearts on things above, where ***Christ is, seated at the right hand of God***. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and ***your life is now hidden with Christ in God***. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



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- Of course, it will be fully manifested when his kingdom comes
- But we can enter NOW!!!
- This is the result of being a child of God
- Being filled with his Holy Spirit
- In Jesus
- In the Father

## In Jesus, I am in a place of deep love and acceptance

- In love, I was **chosen** by God before the creation of the world (Ephesians 1:4).
- I am **set apart, called by God's grace** (Galatians 1:15),
- **holy** and **blameless** in God's sight (Ephesians 1:4).
- I am a **dearly loved child of God** (Ephesians 5:1).
- I am **fully known** by God (1 Corinthians 13:12) and
- **accepted** in Christ (Romans 15:7).
- **God loves me** with the same love with which he loved Jesus (John 17:23).





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A place of deep love and acceptance

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A place of everlasting purpose

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A place of sure salvation

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A place of total forgiveness and cleansing

## The Place Prepared

- A place of secure family love- in the family of God himself
- A place of unfathomable plenty
- A place of total satisfaction and contentment

A place of everlasting freedom  
and victory- ultimate success

A place of increasing closeness  
and care

A place of constant goodness

A place of absolute inclusion  
and refuge

A place of continual  
relationship with God



## **The Place Prepared**



# The Place Prepared

A place of unshakable unity with God

A place of oneness in love

A place of power for life

A place of life to the full



A place of transformation and increasing maturity

A place of divine destiny

A place of absolute security

A place of experientially knowing God's constant goodness towards me



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## A Place Of Power For Life

**Grace** has been  
given to you as  
**Christ apportioned it**  
(Ephesians 4:7).

**His grace is enough  
for you**  
(2 Corinthians 2:19).

In your weakness **he  
is your strength**  
(2 Corinthians 2:19).

**You can do all things  
through him who  
gives you strength**  
(Philippians 4:13).





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# A Place Of Life to The Full

God has **made known to you the path of life**, he fills you with **joy in his presence**, with **eternal pleasures** at his right hand  
(Psalm 16:11).

**The joy of the Lord is your strength**  
(Nehemiah 8:10)

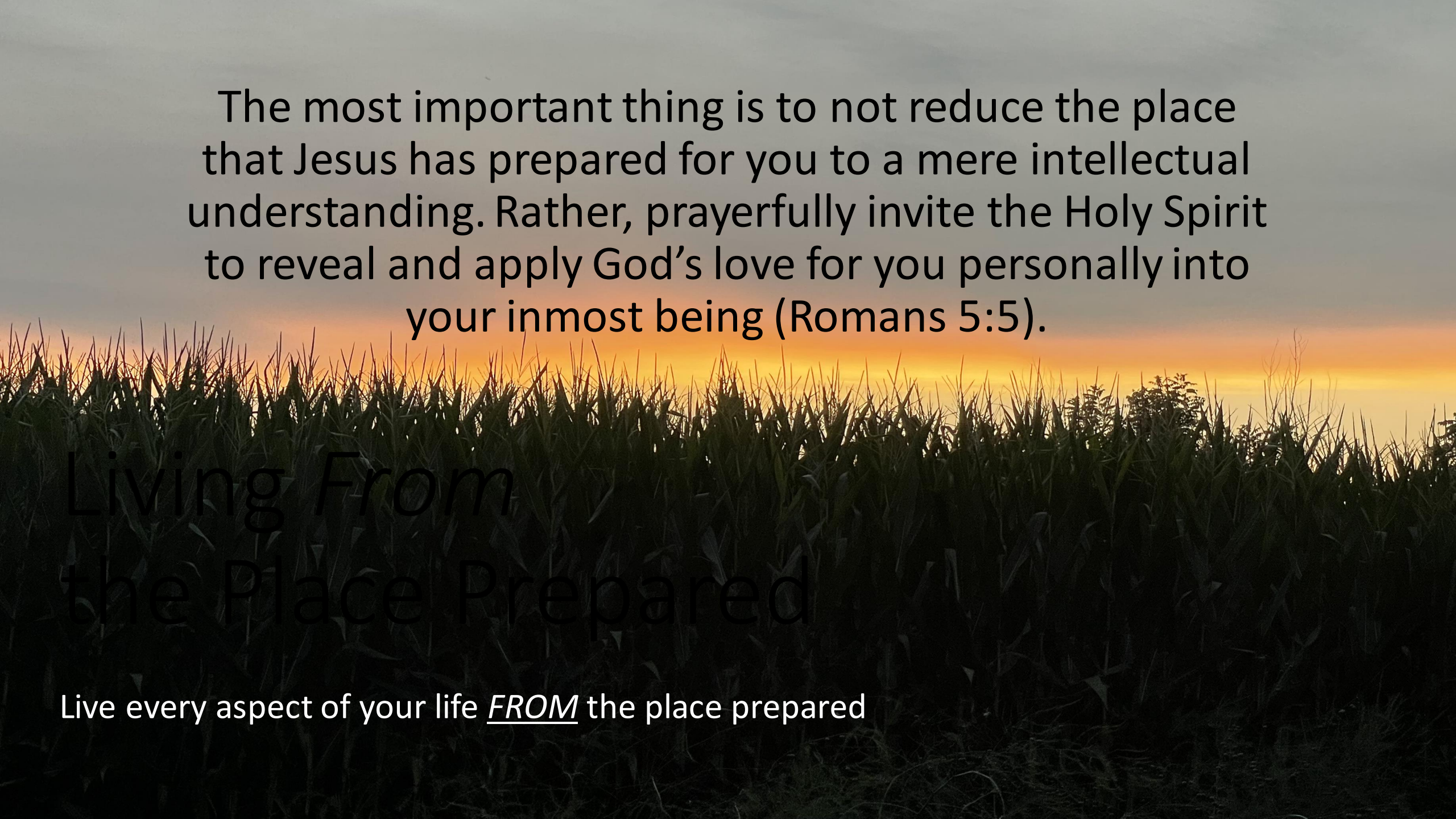
Jesus came so that you may **live a new life**  
(Romans 6:4)

Jesus came so that you can have **life to the full**  
(John 10:10).

# Remain/Abide in the Place Prepared

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- Bring life INTO the place prepared instead of “going out” to live life and returning for a “refilling.”
- *That* is life to the full
- *That* is living as a child of God
- Seeking the kingdom first
- Loving God with all of heart, mind, soul, strength
- Putting on the full armor of God



The most important thing is to not reduce the place that Jesus has prepared for you to a mere intellectual understanding. Rather, prayerfully invite the Holy Spirit to reveal and apply God's love for you personally into your inmost being (Romans 5:5).

# Living *From* the Place Prepared

Live every aspect of your life FROM the place prepared