

The House of the Lord

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Read what King David, the "sweet singer of Israel", said in one of his songs of praise to God: "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple."

"The house of the Lord" is the place where God dwells. But He tells us that "He fills heaven and earth," and "the whole earth is full of His glory." So the whole world is "the house of the Lord," and we can see His beauty everywhere for "the beauty of all created things is but a gleam from the shining of His glory."

And so since the whole earth is the temple of God, we may enquire of Him wherever we are. He dwells by His Holy Spirit in all the things that He has made, and so as we study His works we may "enquire in His temple." He says, "Ask of Me, and I will show thee great and mighty things that thou knowest not."

How simple! How wonderful! May we really go to Jesus Himself, and ask Him all we want to know about the works of His hands? Yes; He delights to have us do this; He calls us to come; He says, "Ask of Me, and I will show thee."

What! even little children? Oh, yes; for He says that He has "hid these things from the wise and prudent, and has revealed them unto babes."

Why is it that He has hid these things from "the wise and prudent"? It is not because He does not want them to know, for He invites them all to come to Him and learn. It is only because they will not come to ask of Him, and that is the only way that they can ever really learn anything.

They think they are so wise that they can find out for themselves all that they want to know, and they will not go to His Word and ask Him for His Holy Spirit to teach them. So they are "ever learning, but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth," while little children, and all those who are simple and childlike, will come to Jesus to learn and be taught of Him the truth that none of the wise men of this world can find out.

Do not forget this, dear children, but ask Jesus every day to give you His Holy Spirit to "guide you into all truth." Study His precious Word, and as you behold His works, "enquire in His temple" just what lesson He has for you in them all.