

Location, Location, Location

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Psalms 139:7-11

Since He has never left you nor forsaken you, "Where is He now?" In response to this question, the Receiver might say correctly that Jesus is in my heart, everywhere, at the right hand of the Father in heaven, in my memories or with me here. By the Spirit, Immanuel is in every location at the same time. He is transcendent and immanent. He is able to be with everyone personally all the time while in every Christian's heart. One Old Testament example of this was during the wilderness wanderings when God manifested in two places at once: over the mercy seat in between the Cherubim and in the cloud or pillar of fire.

Studies included in this article are: Right Hand of the Father; Transcendent and Immanent (Immensity); I Will Come To You; I Will Come In To Him; I Will Never Leave You; Temple of God In My Heart; God With Us (Israel); God With Us (the Church); Dwells Between the Cherubim; Above the Mercy Seat; Pillar of Cloud and Pillar of Fire; The Cloud; New Testament Presence In the Cloud

For more information on this topic, please see: "The Lord Is Always With Us"; Appendix 8: Objections To Seeing God in my book Immanuel: A Practicum. P. 158; "Father And Son Together At My Right Hand"; "Secret Dwelling Place"

Right Hand of the Father

Mark 16:19 So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

Hebrews 10:12 But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God.

Transcendent and Immanent (Immensity)

1 Kings 8:27 But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain You. How much less this temple which I have built!

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Isaiah 66:1 Thus says the LORD: "Heaven *is* My throne, And earth *is* My footstool. Where *is* the house that you will build Me? And where *is* the place of My rest?"

Jeremiah 23:23 "Am I a God near at hand," says the LORD, "And not a God afar off?"

I Will Come To You

John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him."

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

John 14:18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

I Will Come In To Him

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.

I Will Never Leave You

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He *is* the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5 *Let your conduct be* without covetousness; *be* content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Temple of God In My Heart

1 Corinthians 3:17 If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

1 Corinthians 6:19 Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?

God With Us (Israel)

Genesis 28:15 Behold, I *am* with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have spoken to you.

Genesis 31:3 Then the LORD said to Jacob, "Return to the land of your fathers and to your family, and I will be with you."

Amos 5:14 Seek good and not evil, That you may live; So the LORD God of hosts will be with you, As you have spoken.

Haggai 1:13 Then Haggai, the LORD'S messenger, spoke the LORD'S message to the people, saying, "I *am* with you, says the LORD."

Haggai 2:4 Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,' says the LORD; 'and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,' says the LORD, 'and work; for I *am* with you,' says the LORD of hosts.

God With Us (the Church)

Matthew 18:20 For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.

Matthew 28:20 "Teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age." Amen.

Romans 6:4 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

1 Corinthians 6:17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit *with Him*.

2 Corinthians 13:4 For though He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by the power of God. For we also are weak in Him, but we shall live with Him by the power of God toward you.

Ephesians 1:22-23 And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

Colossians 2:13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses.

1 Thessalonians 5:10 Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

Dwells Between the Cherubim

Numbers 7:89 Now when Moses went into the tabernacle of meeting to speak with Him, he heard the voice of One speaking to him from above the mercy seat that *was* on the ark of the Testimony, from between the two cherubim; thus He spoke to him.

1 Samuel 4:4 So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from there the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, who dwells between the cherubim. And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, *were* there with the ark of the covenant of God.

2 Samuel 6:2 And David arose and went with all the people who *were* with him from Baale Judah to bring up from there the ark of God, whose name is called by the Name, the LORD of Hosts, who dwells between the cherubim.

2 Kings 19:15 Then Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said: "O LORD God of Israel, *the One* who dwells between the cherubim, You are God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.

1 Chronicles 13:6 And David and all Israel went up to Baalah, to Kirjath Jearim, which belonged to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God the LORD, who dwells between the cherubim, where *His* name is proclaimed.

Psalms 80:1 To the Chief Musician. Set to The Lillies. A Testimony of Asaph. A Psalm. Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who dwell between the cherubim, shine forth!

Psalms 99:1 The LORD reigns; Let the peoples tremble! He dwells between the cherubim; Let the earth be moved!

Isaiah 37:16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, *the One* who dwells between the cherubim, You *are* God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.

Above the Mercy Seat

Exodus 25:22 And there I will meet with you, and I will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim which *are* on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.

Leviticus 16:2 and the LORD said to Moses: "Tell Aaron your brother not to come at *just* any time into the Holy *Place* inside the veil, before the mercy seat which *is* on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in the cloud above the mercy seat."

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Pillar of Cloud and Pillar of Fire

Exodus 13:21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night.

Exodus 13:22 He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night *from* before the people.

Exodus 14:24 Now it came to pass, in the morning watch, that the LORD looked down upon the army of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and cloud, and He troubled the army of the Egyptians.

Numbers 14:14 And they will tell *it* to the inhabitants of this land. They have heard that You, LORD, *are* among these people; that You, LORD, are seen face to face and Your cloud stands above them, and You go before them in a pillar of cloud by day and in a pillar of fire by night.

Nehemiah 9:12 Moreover You led them by day with [a cloudy pillar](#), And by night with a [pillar of fire](#), To give them light on the road Which they should travel.

Nehemiah 9:19 Yet in Your manifold mercies You did not forsake them in the wilderness. [The pillar of the cloud](#) did not depart from them by day, To lead them on the road; Nor the [pillar of fire](#) by night, To show them light, And the way they should go.

Isaiah 4:5 Then the LORD will create above every dwelling place of Mount Zion, and above her assemblies, [a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night](#). For over all the glory there *will be* a covering.

The Cloud

Exodus 14:19-20 And the Angel of God, who went before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them; and [the pillar of cloud](#) went from before them and stood behind them. So it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel. Thus it was a cloud and darkness *to the one*, and it gave light by night *to the other*, so that the one did not come near the other all that night.

Exodus 16:10 Now it came to pass, as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the LORD appeared in [the cloud](#).

Exodus 24:16 Now the glory of the LORD rested on Mount Sinai, and [the cloud](#) covered it six days. And on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of [the cloud](#).

Exodus 24:18 So Moses went into the midst of [the cloud](#) and went up into the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

Exodus 34:5 Now the LORD descended in [the cloud](#) and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

Exodus 40:34 Then [the cloud](#) covered the tabernacle of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

Exodus 40:35 And Moses was not able to enter the tabernacle of meeting, because [the cloud](#) rested above it, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.

Exodus 40:36 Whenever [the cloud](#) was taken up from above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would go onward in all their journeys.

Exodus 40:37 But if [the cloud](#) was not taken up, then they did not journey till the day that it was taken up.

Exodus 40:38 For [the cloud](#) of the LORD *was* above the tabernacle by day, and fire was over it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

Leviticus 16:2 and the LORD said to Moses: "Tell Aaron your brother not to come at *just* any time into the Holy *Place* inside the veil, before the mercy seat which *is* on the ark, lest he die; for I will appear in [the cloud](#) above the mercy seat.

Numbers 9:15 Now on the day that the tabernacle was raised up, [the cloud](#) covered the tabernacle, the tent of the Testimony; from evening until morning it was above the tabernacle like the appearance of fire.

Numbers 9:16 So it was always: the cloud covered it *by day*, and the appearance of fire by night.

Numbers 9:17 Whenever the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle, after that the children of Israel would journey; and in the place where the cloud settled, there the children of Israel would pitch their tents.

Numbers 9:18 At the command of the LORD the children of Israel would journey, and at the command of the LORD they would camp; as long as the cloud stayed above the tabernacle they remained encamped.

Numbers 9:19 Even when the cloud continued long, many days above the tabernacle, the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD and did not journey.

Numbers 9:20 So it was, when the cloud was above the tabernacle a few days: according to the command of the LORD they would remain encamped, and according to the command of the LORD they would journey.

Numbers 9:21 So it was, when the cloud remained only from evening until morning: when the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they would journey; whether by day or by night, whenever the cloud was taken up, they would journey.

Numbers 9:22 *Whether it was* two days, a month, or a year that the cloud remained above the tabernacle, the children of Israel would remain encamped and not journey; but when it was taken up, they would journey.

Numbers 10:11 Now it came to pass on the twentieth *day* of the second month, in the second year, that the cloud was taken up from above the tabernacle of the Testimony.

Numbers 10:12 And the children of Israel set out from the Wilderness of Sinai on their journeys; then the cloud settled down in the Wilderness of Paran.

Numbers 10:34 And the cloud of the LORD *was* above them by day when they went out from the camp.

Numbers 11:25 Then the LORD came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that *was* upon him, and placed *the same* upon the seventy elders; and it happened, when the Spirit rested upon them, that they prophesied, although they never did *so* again.

Numbers 12:5 Then the LORD came down in the pillar of cloud and stood *in* the door of the tabernacle, and called Aaron and Miriam. And they both went forward.

Numbers 12:10 And when the cloud departed from above the tabernacle, suddenly Miriam *became* leprous, as *white as* snow. Then Aaron turned toward Miriam, and there she was, a leper.

Numbers 16:42 Now it happened, when the congregation had gathered against Moses and Aaron, that they turned toward the tabernacle of meeting; and suddenly the cloud covered it, and the glory of the LORD appeared.

Deuteronomy 1:33 Who went in the way before you to search out a place for you to pitch your tents, to show you the way you should go, in the fire by night and in the cloud by day.

Deuteronomy 5:22 These words the LORD spoke to all your assembly, in the mountain from the midst of the fire, [the cloud](#), and the thick darkness, with a loud voice; and He added no more. And He wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

1 Kings 8:10 And it came to pass, when the priests came out of the holy *place*, that [the cloud](#) filled the house of the LORD,

1 Kings 8:11 So that the priests could not continue ministering because of [the cloud](#); for the glory of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

2 Chronicles 5:14 So that the priests could not continue ministering because of [the cloud](#); for the glory of the LORD filled the house of God.

Nehemiah 9:19 Yet in Your manifold mercies You did not forsake them in the wilderness. The pillar of [the cloud](#) did not depart from them by day, To lead them on the road; Nor the pillar of fire by night, To show them light, And the way they should go.

Psalms 78:14 In the daytime also He led them with [the cloud](#), And all the night with a light of fire.

Ezekiel 10:3 Now the cherubim were standing on the south side of the temple when the man went in, and [the cloud](#) filled the inner court.

Ezekiel 10:4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, *and paused* over the threshold of the temple; and the house was filled with [the cloud](#), and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory.

New Testament Presence In the Cloud

Matthew 17:5 While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of [the cloud](#), saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!"

Mark 9:7 And [a cloud](#) came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of [the cloud](#), saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!"

Luke 9:34 While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were fearful as they entered [the cloud](#).

Luke 9:35 And a voice came out of [the cloud](#), saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!"

1 Corinthians 10:2 All were baptized into Moses in [the cloud](#) and in the sea.

Revelation 14:14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on [the cloud](#) sat *One* like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.

Revelation 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on [the cloud](#), "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe."

Revelation 14:16 So He who sat on [the cloud](#) thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

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