Seeing God The Father

Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God. Matthew 5:8

Occasionally, people are surprised to see Father God, but there are many examples of this phenomenon in Scripture. For those who believe that the Father cannot be seen, this is proof of the contrary.

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Old Testament Saints See the Father

Adam and Eve: And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. Genesis 3:8

Abraham: And he said, "Brethren and fathers, listen: The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran Acts 7:2

Moses: By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible. Hebrews 11:27

Micaiah: Then Micaiah said, "Therefore hear the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by, on His right hand and on His left. 1 Kings 22:19

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Job: I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, But now my eye sees You. Job 42:5

David: I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved...You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalms 16:8, 11; cp Acts 2:25

As for me, I will see Your face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied when I awake in Your likeness. Psalms 17:15

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever. Psalms 23:4, 6

This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah Psalms 24:6

My eyes are ever toward the LORD, For He shall pluck my feet out of the net. Psalms 25:15

Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; Try my mind and my heart. For Your loving kindness is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth. Psalms 26:2-3

One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: 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 inquire in His temple...When You said, "Seek My face," My heart said to You, "Your face, LORD, I will seek...I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living. Psalms 27:4, 8, 13

I sought the LORD, and He heard me, And delivered me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, And their faces were not ashamed. Psalms 34:4-5

A Song of Ascents. Unto You I lift up my eyes, O You who dwell in the heavens. Psalms 123:1

Isaiah: In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple...So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts. Isaiah 6:1, 5

In that day a man will look to his Maker, And his eyes will have respect for the Holy One of Israel. Isaiah 17:7

Your eyes will see the King in His beauty; They will see the land that is very far off. Isaiah 33:17

Ezekiel: Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, on the fifth day of the month, as I was among the captives by the River Chebar, that the heavens were opened and I saw visions of God...Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the brightness all around it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. So when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard a voice of One speaking. Ezekiel 1:1, 28

Daniel: I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him. Daniel 7:9, 13

Amos: I saw the Lord standing by the altar, and He said: "Strike the doorposts, that the thresholds may shake, And break them on the heads of them all. I will slay the last of them with the sword. He who flees from them shall not get away, And he who escapes from them shall not be delivered. Amos 9:1

Habakkuk: You went forth for the salvation of Your people, For salvation with Your Anointed. You struck the head from the house of the wicked, By laying bare from foundation to neck. Selah Habakkuk 3:13

New Testament Saints See The Father

Matthew: Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." Matthew 26:64

Mark: Jesus said, "I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and Coming with the clouds of heaven." Mark 14:62

Stephen: But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God! Acts 7:55-56

John: Beloved, do not imitate what is evil, but what is good. He who does good is of God, but he who does evil has not seen God. 3 John 1:11

And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals... And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. Revelation 5:1, 6-7

She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. Revelation 12:5

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. Revelation 22:1

Jesus On Earth (our example) Sees God The Father

Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. Matthew 14:19

Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened. Mark 7:34

Then He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the multitude. Luke 9:16

No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him. John 1:18

Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel. John 5:19-20

Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; He has seen the Father. John 6:46

I speak what I have seen with My Father, and you do what you have seen with your father. John 8:38

Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, "Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. John 11:41

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You. John 17:1

People See The Kingdom of God

Jesus answered and said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. John 3:3

People See The Father In Jesus Christ

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Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. John 5:18

And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me. John 12:45

Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? John 14:9

For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4:6

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. Colossians 1:15

Father God Described (2x's)

Daniel: I watched till thrones were put in place, And <u>the Ancient of Days</u> was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire; Daniel 7:9

John: Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and <u>One sat on the throne</u>. And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald. Revelation 4:2-3

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