

## **The Most High God Dwells In The Most Holy Place**

### **The Most High God**

For a mountain to be the highest mountain on earth there must be at least one other mountain to compare it to because highest is a relative term, and it is the same with the Most High God. Jesus Christ is God (John 1:1) but His Father was greater than He was (John 14:28). God the Father is the Most High God (Hebrews 7:1).

### **The Most Holy Place**

In that same way, for there to be a Most Holy Place there must also be at least one other holy place to compare it to, and indeed there is. The tabernacle is described as having two parts, “the first part...which is called the sanctuary” (Hebrews 9:2) and the “second part” into which “the high priest went alone once a year” (vs 7). The first part was holy but the second part was the “Holiest of All” (vs 8).

### **We Pray To The Most High God**

Jesus taught men to pray to the Father and ask for forgiveness and it would be the Father who would respond (Matthew 6:5-15). That is reinforced by the parable Christ told of the Pharisee and the tax collector who went up to the temple to pray (Luke 18:9-14). When the tax collector cried out “God, be merciful to me a sinner!”, he was crying out to the Father.

### **We Worship The Most High God**

Jesus referred to the temple in Jerusalem as “the house of God” (Mark 2:26) and also “My Father’s house” (John 2:16) because it was God the Father who was worshipped there. In Psalm 84 the tabernacle is called the house of the LORD of hosts and the courts are the courts of the LORD. The references are the same. Asaph, in the previous Psalm declares “You, whose name alone is the LORD, Are the Most High over all the earth” (83:18). The Most High God in the Old Testament was still the Most High God in the New Testament. The One who was worshipped at the tabernacle, and later at the temple, did not change. God the Father is the Most High God.

### **We Are Reconciled To The Most High God**

The Holy of Holies in the temple portrayed the throne room of God in heaven. The symbolism of the Day of Atonement is not of Jesus Christ entering the Holy of Holies with His own blood and placing it at His own feet. Jesus is the “Son of the Most High God” (Luke 8:28) and also “a High Priest over the house of God” (Hebrews 10:21). Therefore we are able to be “reconciled to God through the death of His Son” (Romans 5:10). We are therefore able with “boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh” (Hebrews 10:19-20).

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We are reconciled to God the Father by the blood sacrifice of Jesus Christ, and it is the Father, the Most High God who dwells in the Most Holy place, to whom we pray and to whom we are to direct our worship.