The Trinity

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The Future is the source! The Future is unseen, unknown, except as it continually embodies itself and makes itself visible in the Present. The Present is what we see and hear and know. It is ceaselessly embodying the Future, day by day, hour by hour, moment by moment. It is perpetually revealing the Future, hitherto invisible. The Future is logically first! But not chronologically first. For the Present exists and has existed as long as time exists, and was in the absolute beginning of time.

The Present has existed as long as time has existed. Time acts through and in the Present! It makes itself visible only in the Present. The Future acts and reveals itself through the Present. It is through the Present that time, and the Future enters into union with human life. Time and humanity meet and unite in the Present. It is in the Present that time, and the Future becomes a part of human life, and so is born and lives and dies in human life.

The Past in turn, comes from the Present. We cannot say that it embodies the Present, on the contrary, time in issuing from the Present into the Past becomes invisible again. The Past does not embody the Present, rather it proceeds silently, endlessly and invisibly from it. The Present therefore, comes out from the invisible Future. The Present perpetually and ever newly embodies the Future in visible, audible, livable form and returns again into the invisible time in the Past. The Past acts invisibly and continually influences us in regard to the Present. It casts light upon the Present. That is its great function. It helps us to live in the Present which we know, and with reference to the Future which we expect to see!"

"The Father is the source! [every word the same but those four] The Father is unseen, except as He continually embodies Himself and makes Himself visible in the Son. The Son is what you see and hear and know. He is ceaselessly embodying the Father, day by day, hour by hour, moment by moment. He is perpetually revealing the Father, hitherto invisible. The Father is logically first, but not chronologically! For the Son exists as long as God exists, and was in the absolute beginning of God.

The Son has existed as long as God has existed. God acts through and in the Son! He makes Himself visible only in the Son. The Father acts and reveals Himself through the Son. It is through the Son that God, and the Father enters into union with human life. God and humanity meet and unite in the Son. It is in the Son that God, and the Father become a part of human life, and so is born and lives and dies in human life.

The Spirit in turn, comes from the Son. We cannot say that He embodies the Son, on the contrary, God in issuing from the Son into the Spirit becomes invisible again. The Spirit does not embody the Son, rather He proceeds silently, endlessly, invisibly from Him. The Son therefore, comes out from the invisible Father. The Son perpetually and ever newly embodies the Father in visible, and audible and livable form and returns into the invisible God in the Spirit. The Spirit acts invisibly. He continually influences us with regard to the Son. He casts light upon the Son. That is His great function. He helps us to live in the Son which we know, and with reference to the Father whom we expect to see!