The Universal Christ: An Archetype for Everything
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Resources and Scripture Referenced
(Listed in order presented)

Resources:


Johann Wolfgang Goethe, “God and World” (poem) [“What would a God be who merely pushed from outside, twirling the universe round his finger!” Original: “Was wär ein Gott, der nur von aussen stiesse, Im Kreis das All am Finger laufen liesse!”]


Augustine, *Commentary on the First Epistle of John*, 10.3 [“There will be one Christ loving himself, for when the members love one another, the body loves itself.”]


**Scripture:**


Romans 8:19-23. All creation waiting in expectation.

Romans 1:19-20. God’s invisible attributes can be perceived in what God has made.

Genesis 1:2. “God’s spirit hovered over the formless void.” This same verb will be used again in Luke 1:35, as the Holy Spirit overshadows Mary.

Genesis 1. “And it was good.”

Genesis 3. “We started here instead: at the Fall of humankind.”


Genesis 28:10-19. Jacob makes a rock his pillow, and sees ladder of angels in dream, and at end anoints stone to designate holy place.

Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36. Transfiguration of Jesus occurs on a mountain. Note: not named as Mt. Tabor in the gospels, though has been identified as Mt. Tabor or Mt. Hermon.

Isaiah 6:1. Isaiah has vision of God appearing in Temple.

Matthew 16:17-18. Jesus changes Simon’s name to Peter (Petrus = rock).

1 Corinthians 10:4. Paul writes of “spiritual rock” that followed ancestors during Exodus. “And the rock was Christ.”

1 John 4:17. “In this is love brought to perfection among us, that we have confidence on the day of judgment because as he is, so are we in this world.”

John 20:11-18. Risen Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene, who “knew both Jesus and Christ.”

John 17:21. Jesus’ prayer that “they may all be one.”

1 Corinthians 1:18. The folly of the cross.

Colossians 1:15-17; Ephesians 1:3-6; John 1:1-2. These describe Christ’s eternal existence.

Genesis 1:26. Then God said: “Let us make human beings in our image, after our likeness.”