



REVELATION AND FAITH IN
THE OLD TESTAMENT

DIVINE REVELATION

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"God's action as he reveals his person and divine plan of salvation."



DIVINE REVELATION IS BOTH CONTENT AND A PROCESS

"**GOD** reveals both his person and plan of salvation through his actions and words in time and space."

Revelation
as **CONTENT**

Revelation
as a **PROCESS**

God's revealing action complements our knowledge about him and his plan. Therefore, it is always important to ask two questions about Divine Revelation: What is its content, and how did God make it known?

Divine Revelation as Content

Three Fundamental Points

First Point

***Divine
Trinity***

First and foremost is the mystery of the Person of God, the Divine Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Third Point

***Holy Spirit's
Grace***

"Obedience of Faith"

(Rom 1:5, 16:26, CCC 142-165)

obedience born of the Spirit's grace and freedom

Second Point

***God's Plan
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"Divine Economy" (CCC 236)

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God's plan is manifested in history by words and deeds that are recorded in Scripture, lived by the people of Israel, and fulfilled in the Church. That plan is rooted in the eternal deliberations of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In effect, the plan was established before the creation of the cosmos (cf. Eph 1:4-5)

Third Point

***Holy Spirit's
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This means that Scripture and the living Tradition of the Church comprise the source of information about God's inner self or nature and about his plan of salvation (cf. Vatican Council II, Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, Dei Verbum, 9; CCC 80).

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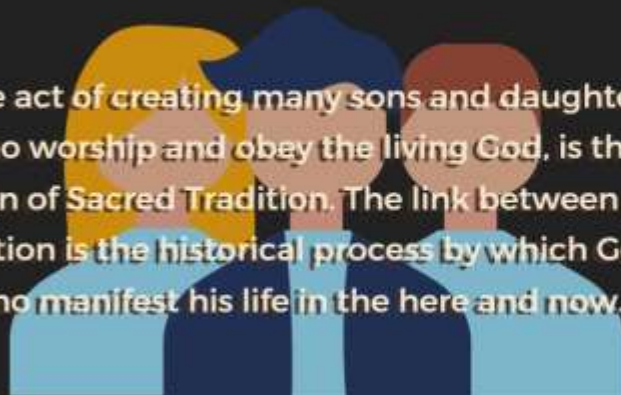
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The experience of knowing God and believing in what God has revealed is what St. Paul calls the "obedience of faith" (Rom 1:5, 16:26; CCC 142-165). That "obedience born of the Spirit's grace and freedom" leads to the worship of God (liturgy and prayer, both private and communal) and a specific way of life (morality).

The divine act of creating many sons and daughters of God in Christ, who worship and obey the living God, is the singular foundation of Sacred Tradition. The link between Scripture and Tradition is the historical process by which God creates a people who manifest his life in the here and now.



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Divine Revelation as a Process



We can know only so much about God based on the operations of our intellects. For example, the mind can know right from wrong on its own; also, the natural mind can arrive at the certain conclusions that there is a god and that this god is probably kind and just. However, the natural mind cannot know that this god of the universe is God our Father in heaven, that the Father has an eternal Son, and that the Father and Son have a relationship of continuous love that is expressed in and by the Holy Spirit. God has to show us this kind of truth. And that is to say we cannot know God in any deep and personal way without Divine Revelation.

God

Divine Revelation

Morality — Doctrines

Worship

NATURAL AND SUPERNATURAL REVELATION



Transmission Process of Revelation

ACCORDING TO THE EVENTS IN THE BIBLE

The Creation

GOD created the universe and then Adam and Eve.

Incarnation of the eternal son

The Birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. His teachings and miracles during his stay on Earth.

Formation of a people

The Great flood, Exodus, Tower of Babel, Judges, Job, Prophets

Transmission Process of Revelation

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The Ascension of Jesus

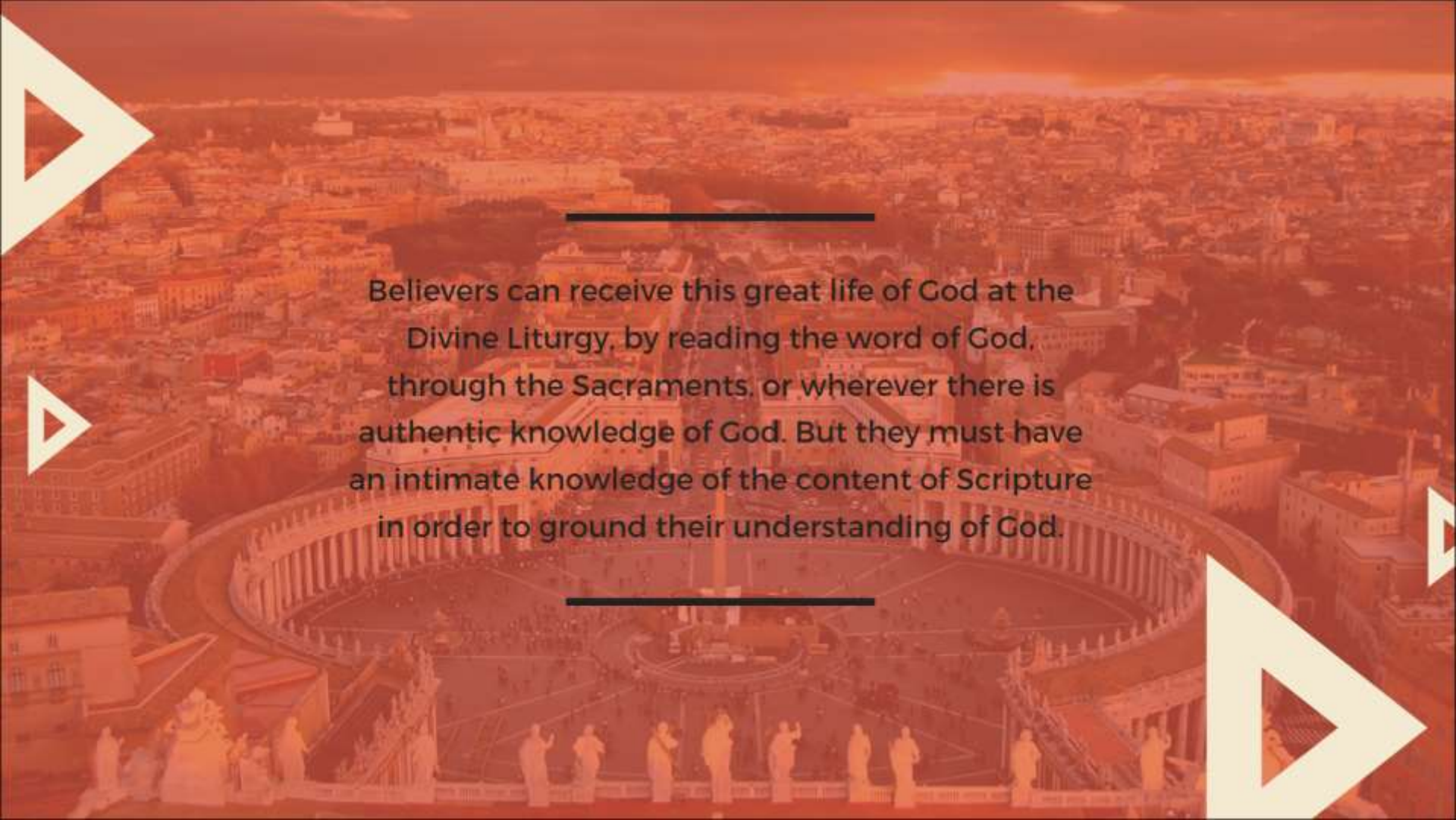
To fulfill what was written, Jesus ascended into heaven and was seated on the right hand of God, the Father.

Creation of the Church

Jesus entrusts the building of the Church to Peter, the First Pope, breaking of bread, passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

Outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost

The descent of the Holy Spirit among Mary and the Apostles on Pentecost.



Believers can receive this great life of God at the
Divine Liturgy, by reading the word of God,
through the Sacraments, or wherever there is
authentic knowledge of God. But they must have
an intimate knowledge of the content of Scripture
in order to ground their understanding of God.



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