

# The Lord's Contrasting States of Mind

Glorification is the uniting of the Lord's Human with the Divine of His Father.  
This was effected gradually (see *New Jerusalem and Its Heavenly Doctrine* 302).

While the Lord lived on earth, He sometimes was unaware of the Divine within—the Father. At these times, He prayed to the Father and said that He did the Father's will. At other times, the Lord felt united with the Father, He did miracles and said that He and the Father are one. These different states of mind were part of the process of the Lord overcoming the hells and uniting His Human with the Divine of the Father.

## Which state of mind does this illustrate?

"My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work" (John 4:34).

"Now it came to pass in those days that He went out to the mountain to pray and continued all night in prayer to God" (Luke 6:12).

"Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works" (John 14:10).

"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" (Mark 15:34).

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:17-19).

## More examples in the Gospels

*Praying to the Father:* Mark 1:35; Mark 6:46; Luke 5:16; Luke 6:12; Luke 22:42;

*Wanting to do the Father's will:* Matt. 26:39, 42; Mark 14:36; John 4:34; John 5:30

*Feeling separate from the Father:* Matt. 27:46; Mark 15:34

*Performing miracles:* Matthew 14:22-33; Mark 8:22-26; Luke 7:11-17; Luke 17:11-19; John 6:1-15

*Saying that He and the Father are one:* John 8:19; John 10:30; John 14:7, 10, 11

*The Transfiguration:* Matt. 17:1-8 or 9; Mark 9:2-8 or 10; Luke 9:28-36

## Suggested activities

- Read some of these passages or find your own examples in the New Testament.
- Choose one or more quotes that illustrate the Lord's different states of mind. You may wish to write them down and think about them in the days leading up to Easter.
- Make pictures to show the kinds of things that the Lord did in each state (praying, healing, etc.).
- Consider making a diagram, poster, or a mural to illustrate this concept with a group.

When Jesus felt separate from the Father	When Jesus felt united with the Father