

Prologue The Third Spiritual Path & Gospel According to John

To open a more personal, image-filled, intuitive prayer that still partakes of the essence of The Prologue, substitute some different words/qualities in all the places that "the Word" appears in the original text.

I think you will discover, as I have, that all of these altered versions are true to the spirit and meaning of John's Prologue. As you slowly read, contemplate or pray each one, be attentive to all the tiny cues that the body and the soul give you.

Which of these best speaks to your heart? Which best helps you capture a sense of Union, Oneness and the Great Mystery we name as God?

The Word

In every beginning is The Word, and The Word is with God, and The Word is God. The Word is in the beginning with God. All things come into being through The Word and without The Word not one thing comes into being.

What comes into being in The Word is life, and this life is the radiance of all people, of all creation. The radiance shines in the darkness, and the darkness shines in the radiance and neither overcomes the other.

The Word is in matter, and matter comes into being through The Word; yet matter does not know The Word.

The Word is with us, and we do not accept The Word.

But to all who know The Word, who believe in The Word's name, The Word gives the power to become sons and daughters of God, who are born not of blood, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man and woman, but who are born of God.



The Christ

In every beginning is The Christ, and The Christ is with God, and The Christ is God. The Christ is in every beginning with God. All things come into being through The Christ and without The Christ not one thing comes into being.

What comes into being in The Christ is life, and this life is the radiance of all people, of all creation. The radiance shines in the darkness, and the darkness shines in the radiance and neither overcomes the other.

The Christ is in matter, and matter comes into being through The Christ; yet matter does not know The Christ.

The Christ is with us, and we do not accept The Christ.

But to all who know The Christ, who believe in The Christ's name, The Christ gives the power to become sons and daughters of God, who are born not of blood, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man and woman, but who are born of God.



Breath

In every beginning is God's Breathing, and Breathing is with God, and Breathing is God. Breathing is in every beginning with God. All things come into being through God's Breathing and without God's Breathing not one thing comes into being.

What comes into being in God's Breathing is life, and this life is the radiance of all people, of all creation. The radiance shines in the darkness, and the darkness shines in the radiance and neither overcomes the other.

God's Breath is in matter, and matter comes into being through God's Breath; yet matter does not know The Breath.

Breath is with us, yet we do not accept The Breath.

But to all who know God's Breathing, who believe in The Breath's name, The Breath gives power to become sons and daughters of God, who are born not of blood, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man and woman, but who are born of God.



Love

In every beginning is Love, and Love is with God, and Love is God. Love is in every beginning with God. All things come into being through Love and without Love not one thing comes into being.

What comes into being in Love is life, and this life is the radiance of all people, of all creation. The radiance shines in the darkness, and the darkness shines in the radiance and neither overcomes the other.

Love lives in matter, and matter comes into being through Love; yet matter does not know Love.

Love is with us, yet we do not accept Love.

But to all who know Love, who believe in Love's name, Love gives the power to become sons and daughters of the Holy One, who are born not of blood, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man and woman, but who are born of the Holy One.

