



Where God Can Be Found Today **Isaiah 2:2-4; Acts 17:26-28**

“Many peoples shall come, and say: ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.’ For out of Zion shall go the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem” (Isaiah 2:3—ESV).

When Jesus, the Son of God, came to teach us His ways, the ways of our Heavenly Father, the ways the Father sent Him both to teach and to show us how to live with true love for God and our neighbors, He did so in some of the unexpected ways that Isaiah foretold. Today, we know from the teachings of Jesus and the New Testament that the “mountain of the LORD” is wherever the LORD is. In Jesus’ day, most people thought that the LORD only lived in the temple in Jerusalem and was only available to listen to their problems and prayers when they offered right sacrifices according to the teachings of their religious leaders. When Jesus, the Son of God and our Savior came, He taught on mountains and plains, from boats in the water, and houses, synagogues, and temple. Jesus didn't teach a new moral law; He taught and showed the right application of the moral law to love God and neighbor. When Jesus called His disciples, He said, Follow me.” They followed, learned, and handed down to us what they learned from Jesus. When Jesus taught in the temple and drove out the temple thieves so the Gentiles could worship God, He restored the temple to its rightful place from which people from all over the world could learn the true Law of God and the true Word of the LORD, but His cleansing did not last long. After Jesus died by crucifixion, rose from the dead, and sent the Holy Spirit to live in His disciples and followers, they too went into the temple to teach the word of LORD and lead people to faith in the Lord Jesus. When the religious leaders drove the followers of Jesus out of the temple and Jerusalem, they went to Jews, Samaritans, and Gentiles wherever they could be found and told them about Jesus. When Paul preached in Athens, he told the Greeks that the LORD was not far from any of them. Since the coming of the Holy Spirit and His indwelling the followers of Jesus, wherever they go the LORD is with them.