Christ Walks among Us

Revelation 1:9-20

Jesus Christ is no longer the Galilean peasant, the homeless teacher wandering a small corner of the Roman empire. He is the risen, ascended, glorified Christ in all His natural splendor, with all the radiance of the only-begotten Son of God. He is robed as our Great High Priest. His hair is gleaming white. His eyes are like a blazing fire. He sees everything as it truly is: this world. the Church, our lives. our desires. He stands unshakable, unstoppable, with feet like glowing bronze. His voice is like the thunder of a mighty waterfall. He speaks with absolute, unquestionable authority. His entire being radiates the splendor and power of heaven. Right now this Christ is walking among us, His Church. He is seeing. He is judging. He is encouraging. He is warning. As He speaks, I am comforted. I am challenged. I am humbled. I am called. I begin to see the Church...His Church...in a whole new light. What is critical for us is not our size. our finances, or our techniques for growth. What is critical is our living relationship with Him: our love for Him, our obedience to Him, our faithfulness to Him, our living, holy sacrifice to Him,

our incarnation of Him.

Speak, Lord Jesus. We are listening.

Hymn: The Glorified Christ

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