

**God's forgotten secret**

Of this church I was made a minister according to the stewardship from God bestowed on me for your benefit, so that I might fully carry out the preaching of the word of God, that is, the mystery which has been hidden from the past ages and generations, but has now been manifested to His saints, to whom God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. We proclaim Him... Col. 1:25-27

**Christ in you**  
**Rom. 8:11**

**Circumstances are incidental to the Life of  
Christ within us.**

**The hope of glory**  
**Jn. 2:11; 11:40**

**“If I had known earlier that the tiny palace of my soul accommodates such a great king, I would never have left Him alone there so often.”**

**Theresa from Avila**

**“This is your constant work: to remain self-aware and to walk with the Lord in the hidden place of your spirit as if you and He were the only ones in the world.”**

**Gerhard Tersteegen**

For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.  
But if I am to live on in the flesh, this will  
mean fruitful labor for me; and I do not know  
which to choose. But I am hard-pressed from  
both directions, having the desire to depart  
and be with Christ, for that is very much  
better; yet to remain on in the flesh is more  
necessary for your sake. Phil. 1:21-24

**“For me to live is Christ”**

**If Christ is not our goal, then He automatically becomes a means to whatever is our goal.**

**“...and to die is gain.”**

**We’re only ready to live when we’re ready to die.**  
**Rev. 21:2-6**

“If you read history, you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were just those who thought most of the next...It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this one. Aim at Heaven and you will get earth ‘thrown in’; aim at earth and you will get neither.” C.S. Lewis