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Scripture:

John 4:23-24 †"But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

Ezek. 36:26-27,36 â€'- Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes , and you will be careful to observe My ordinancesâ€lâ€l, the LORD, have spoken and will do it.

2 Cor. 6:16 â€'- For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them, and will walk among the m; and I will be their God, and they will be My people."

â€â€your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from Godâ€â€

Heb, 6:19-20, 7:16,19 -- This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, a hope both sure and steadfast and one which ent ers within the veil where Jesus has entered as a forerunner for us, having become a high priest forever according to the order of Melchizedekâ€â€who has become such not on the basis of a law of physical requirement, but according to the power of an indestructible lifeâ€â€(for the Law made nothing perfect), and on the other hand there is a bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

William Law:

"â€â€theâ€â€Temple of God within Thee, the consecrated Place of Divine Worship, where alone thou canst wors hip God in Spirit, and in Truth. In Spirit, because thy Spirit is that alone in Thee, which can unite, and cleave unto God, a nd receive the Workings of his Divine Spirit upon Thee. In Truth, because this Adoration in Spirit, is that Truth and Realit y, of which all outward Forms and Rites, though instituted by God, are only the Figure for a Time, but this Worship is Ete rnal. Accustom thyself to the Holy Service of this inward Temple. In the midst of it is the Fountain of Living Water, of whi ch thou mayest drink, and live forever. There the Mysteries of thy Redemption are celebrated, or rather opened in Life a nd Power. There the Supper of the Lamb is kept; the Bread that came down from Heaven, that giveth Life to the World, i s thy true Nourishment: all is done, and known in real Experience, in a living Sensibility of the Work of God on the Soul. There the Birth, the Life, the Sufferings, the Death, the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ, are not merely remembere d, but inwardly found, and enjoyed as the real States of thy Soul, which has followed Christ in the Regeneration. When o nce thou art well grounded in this inward Worship, thou wilt have learnt to live unto God above Time, and Place. For eve ry Day will be Sunday to thee, and wherever thou goest, thou wilt have a Priest, a Church, and an Altar along with Thee. For when God has all that He should have of thy Heart, when renouncing the Will, Judgment, Tempers and Inclinations of thy old Man, thou art wholly given up to the Obedience of the Light and Spirit of God within Thee, to Will only his Will, to Love only in his Love, to be Wise only in his Wisdom, then it is, that every Thing thou doest is as a song of Praise, an d the common Business of thy Life is a conforming to God's Will on Earth, as Angels do in Heaven.â€

William Law (1686 †1761) was an English cleric and spiritual writer.