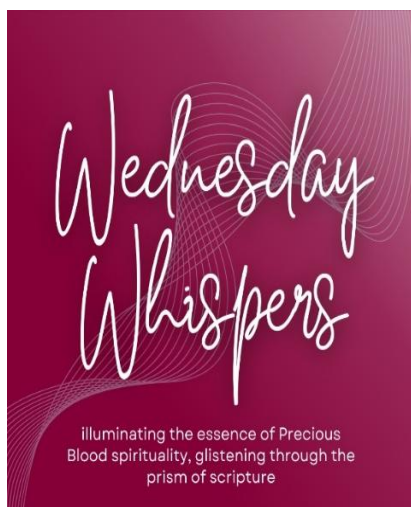




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“Let the Heavens be Glad, Let Earth Rejoice!”
Psalm 96



An interesting take on today's reading from 1 John 2:

“Children, it is the last hour!” Indeed, it is! The last hour of 2025, the last hour of this month, the last hour of this day, the last hour for some of us on this planet! A cause for concern? Not really, for John also says: “We have the Anointing Who comes from the Holy One.” The Anointing always refers to Jesus’ Spirit, the One who indwelt this Divine/human Christ! How is this possible: that the same Spirit who indwelt Jesus indwells each of us? Wow! The Psalm gets it right: “Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice!!!!” Indeed, indeed!

I remember that before Vatican II, the Gospel of John, chapter 1, used to be read at the end of every Mass, and it has become one of my favorites: in the Trinitarian God who dwells forever from Eternity, the Word of God was “spoken aloud”, became flesh like us, and “pitched his tent among us!”

How do we know all this? Because “the only-begotten Son, God, who is at the Father’s side has revealed this God!” Oh my! And that’s not all! “From HIS fullness we have ALL received, grace upon grace, upon grace!”

Does anyone need a New Year's resolution? What if I chose to DAILY sit for five minutes in wonder at such a loving, giving, forgiving, all-knowing God whom Jesus has revealed to us, whose Spirit is in us?

INDEED! LET THE HEAVENS BE GLAD! LET EARTH REJOICE!

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