

"The Saving Authority of The Word of GOD"  
by Saint Hildegard of Bingen (1098 - 1179 AD)



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"Before any creatures were made, The Infinite Word was indivisibly in The Father; Which in course of time was to become Incarnate in the ardor of Charity, miraculously and without the stain or weight of sin, by The HOLY SPIRIT's sweet freshness in the dawn of blessed Virginity.

But after He assumed Flesh, The Word also remained inseparably in The Father; for as a person does not exist without the vital movements within himself, so The Only Word of The Father could in no way be separated from Him.

And why is He called "The Word?" Because, just as a word of command uttered by an instructor is understood by people who know and foresee the reason he gave it, so also The Power of The Father is known among the creatures of the world, who perceive and understand in Him The Source of their creation, through The Word Who is imperishable in His inextinguishable Eternal Life;

and as the power and honor of a human being are known by his official words, so The Holiness and Goodness of The Father shines through The Supreme Word...

When every creature was raised through Him, The Word of GOD showed His Power like a flash of flame; and when He became Incarnate in the dawn and purity of Virginity [of Holy Mary], it was as if He blazed up, so that from Him trickled every Virtue of the knowledge of GOD, and man lived again in the salvation of his soul.

[When man] turned his back on The Divine Command and sank into the gaping mouth of death, so that he did not seek GOD either by faith or by works, he could not rise to true knowledge of GOD until The One came Who obeyed His Father sinlessly and fully" on our behalf! \*

Saint Hildegard of Bingen, pray for us to GOD for Divine Mercy, that we like the centurion of old, may confess, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof. But only say The Word, and my soul shall be healed!" AMEN.

MATTHEW 8:5-11

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rDVPiNe5cCU&list=RDsGGEHFnlLyk&index=13>

5 And when JESUS was entered into Capernaum, there came unto Him a centurion, beseeching him,

6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented.

7 And JESUS saith unto him, I will come and heal him.

8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak The Word only, and my servant shall be healed.

9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

10 When JESUS heard it, He marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.

11 And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in The Kingdom of Heaven.

\*["The Saving Authority of The Word of GOD." Saint Hildegard of Bingen. The Magnificat, 11/29/2021, p 409-410. "Saint Hildegard was a German Benedictine Nun, physician, composer and mystic. She is a Doctor of The Church." Her Feast Day is September 17<sup>th</sup>.]