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I often wondered as a young boy, just where God went.
Why didn’t God talk to people like in the old days?
It seemed that he used to talk to everyone
In the first few books of the Bible, God was everywhere.
God seemed to walk through the desert
just chatting away with Abraham
God Spoke to Abraham, told him to found a nation, so he did
God spoke to Moses,
In the Burning Bush, and on Mount Sinai too.
Gave him the Law, and Moses led Gods People.
God used to speak to the people of Israel,
through the Prophets,
we have been reading the last few months
from the Prophets, Isaiah, Jeremiah,
Ezekial, and all of the others.

So where did God go?
Where is God? Does God still speak to us?
God is here,
God came to us, in the person of Jesus Christ. 
As Paul told us, Born of a woman, Born under the Law. 
God came to us and assumed our Humanity 
So that we could know God

The Gospel today tells us that Mary knew this. 
At the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, 
the shepherds appeared and told her, 
she reflected on it and pondered it 
God spoke to Mary through the shepherds, through the angels 
Mary heard God 
and she responded

I have a niece in San Francisco, 
who posted a story on Facebook about a week ago. 
About a lady that she had met. 
It was a story about a homeless woman named Ella 
Katie had asked her if she was ok, 
and Ella asked her for a cup of noodles. 
They went to the corner store, where Katie bought her two cups of noodles, a box of cheerios and some milk, and a pair of gloves. 
She then wrote, that the two of them went back outside and continued to talk, Katie found out that Ella did not have a place to stay, so she gave her the scarf that she was wearing. 
The part of the story that I found most important is that after she had helped Ella, they went outside and talked, 
It was not simply an act of kindness 
But a moment of respect, and connection 
I can only imagine that as they looked at each other 
They saw the eyes of Christ looking back at them 
Katie saw Christ and responded
Where is God today
God is with us
God is here in the Eucharist that we will soon share
The Church teaches us that God is present in the word
that we have just shared
Christ is among us as we gather today in this congregation
We are surrounded by Christ
We are the body of Christ
When we look at one another,
when we interact with one another
How will we respond?