Our Contributions to the Portrait of God

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Question 1

 Disciples ask: How do we know the way to where You are going? (14:5)

 Jesus answers: "I will come again and receive you to myself.." (14:3)

Question (Request) 2

 Disciples request: "Lord, show us the Father." (14:8)

 Jesus' response: If you knew me, you would have known my Father. You have already seen Him in Me. (14:7)

Is God inconsistent?

- "He who Has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say 'Show us the Father?'" (14:9)
- 14:26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.
- Consistent past, present, future God.

Question 3

 Disciples ask: Why would you only want to manifest yourself to us and not the world? (14:22)

 Jesus' answer: Ungodly people may not be able to see the me, but they can see you (who is filled with the Holy Spirit). (14:17)

- "He who believes in me, the works that I do He will do also; and greater works than these.." (14:12)
- Matthew 5:14: "You are the light of the world.."
- We are God's footprint in the world!

What should the World see?

• "A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. ²⁰ At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.²¹ He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

What should the world see of God?

- The beauty of His love and standard.
- "He has shown you, Oh man, what is good.
 And what does the Lord require of you, but to seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8