

## Light

Out of nothingness appears the Light.  
Light! Light! Light!  
A call from the realm of blackness  
Into the realm of light.

One Light and Three Lights  
Illuminate the darkness,  
Simple, non-composite,  
Timeless, supernal, eternal.

Genesis, chapter One, verse Three  
Allows it to glow in our space and time.  
Wholly One in Being,  
Wholly Threefold in essential Unity.

An effulgence, a brightness seen for chiliads,  
The darkness can never overcome it.  
Unresting, unhasting, silent light  
Not accessible, veiled from prying eyes.

Three hidden Lights  
Without known beginnings,  
Above all emanated power, wisdom, and understanding.

Of One essence mysteriously perplexing,  
The Three splendors continue.  
Uncreated energy from an infinite Source,  
Omnificent, Omnipotent, Omniscient!

Pure Father of Light,  
Transfigured Son,  
Refulgent Holy Spirit,  
Creating mystery in darkness.

I open my eyes and a single light glows in the darkness. The vision lasts only for a moment. I know how many lights I saw and it was a definite number, namely One. The seeing continues after some moments as my eyes open again to clearly see Three Lights. Does this seeing concerns the nature of God? If God exists as Trinity the One and Three are *Uncreated Light* from an unnatural source. If God does not exist as Trinity then other combinations have been seen or the light can be identified with a natural source. For centuries the One and Three Lights have made themselves known exactly as such; not one and one, or one and two, or one and four, or one and five, or one and six, or one and seven, or one and eight, or one and nine, but always One and Three. The numbers are definite and clear; ergo, God's nature is Trinitarian! Soon after visiting the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of a friend's ordination in Nazianz, WI, I encountered the following quote:

“When I speak of God, you should feel yourselves bathed in a single light and in three lights...there is undivided division, differentiated unity. One only in the Three: such is the godhead. The Three as One only: they are the three in whom is the godhead, or to, speak more precisely, the three who are the godhead.” (Gregory Nazianzen, Oration, 39,11. 4<sup>th</sup> Century.)