

Approaching God:

Letting go of God

The true radicalism in the doctrine of God can only be a continual destruction of an idol, an idol in the place of God, the idol of a theory of God.

Karl Rahner

My idea of God is not a divine idea. It has to be shattered time after time. He shatters it himself. he is the great iconoclast. Could we not almost say that this shattering is one of the marks of his presence.

C. S. Lewis

Stay with the idea that your most cherished picture or image of God...

Father/Mother

Rock

Ground of Being

Creator

Infinite

Good

...is only provisional, that it needs to die, that it only points to what is utterly inexpressible, deeply mysterious, beyond telling?

God is beyond words and images, beyond thought, unable to be “captured” or “held”- God who reveals and conceals. All this requires from us a willingness to discover God as a “beckoning word”, inviting us to explore a spaciousness where we can discover that our reality and the reality of God co-exists, without fear or rivalry or competition.