18   No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten God, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

John 14:7-11

7   If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; from now on you know Him, and have seen Him.
8   Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."
9   Jesus said to him, "Have I been so long with you, and yet you have not come to know Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; how do you say, 'Show us the Father'?
10   Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father is in Me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own initiative, but the Father abiding in Me does His works.
11   Believe Me that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me; otherwise believe on account of the works themselves."

Colossians 2:9 -- "For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form."

Hebrews 1:1-3a

1   God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,
2   in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.
3   And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power.

n.   Revelation through the Scripture as the written Word of God

4.   Development of the doctrine

a.   Summary of the biblical teaching concerning modes of special revelation

In both the O. T. and N. T. God has disclosed Himself and a knowledge of His will in various special ways. He led the people of Israel through the wilderness and assured them of His presence by means of the pillar of cloud and the pillar of fire. He filled the Solomonic temple with His glory, confirming His promise to manifest His presence in that place. He spoke directly with Moses, and showed him as much of the magnificent splendor of His glory as Moses could tolerate, so that Moses' face actually shone for a time. He sent His angel to His people to show them His will, to lead and guard them, and to bless, encourage, and deliver them.