

"[T]he word and he who utters it cannot be the same person. . . . [T]wo different things are present, and . . . the speaker is not the word and, also, . . . the word is not the speaker; but rather . . . the word comes from the speaker, and it has its nature not from itself, but from the speaker and. . . on the other hand, the speaker does not come from the word nor derive his nature from it but from himself" (Martin Luther, *LW*: 52:43).

1. The *speaker* is different from the *word*.
2. The word as *entitling* is different from the word as *empowering*.
3. The Christian symbol for the speaker is "*Father*," while the Christian symbols for the word as entitling and the word as empowering are respectively "*Son*" and "*Spirit*."

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