

One God - Three Persons

"person" ≠ in a human body "person" = "Philosophy. a self-conscious or rational being." *dict.com*

Gen 1:27 "image of God" Ac 17:29

Know "GOD"?
Creation Rom 1:19-20
Revelation Dt 6:4-6; 1Co 1:21
Human reasoning alone...culture...world views...feelings...personal experiences...

One God - Three Persons One God Dt 6:4; 1Co 8:4 Three Persons — all three "God" (Godhood) • Father Eph 4:6 Son Heb 1:8 Holy Spirit Ac 5:3,4 Persons assembled here — all "man" alien "men" (two heads, one eye middle forenead) ... animal "men" (tails, paws) ... anyels ... statues ...

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Old Testament

Room richly furnished...light dim ... brighter light - New Testament... there all along! Gen 1:1-2; 1:26, 3:22 "us" lsa 45:6-7 "Lord...no other" Psa 110:1 "The Lord...to my Lord"—Ac 2:34 "the angel of the Lord" Gn 16 (Hgr) ... 18-19 ... (A.) ... Jdg 6 (Gid.) ... Jdg 13 (Sam.'s parents)

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People of the OT–Jews–no difficulty with concept Matthew - letter <u>by a Jew</u>, <u>for Jews</u> 1:20,22 1) "Lord" ("<u>LORD</u>" Isa 7:10,14,17) 1:18,20 2) <u>HOLY SPIRIT</u> (virgin birth!–GOD) 1:21,23 3) Jesus = "<u>GOD</u> with us"

28:19 "name of" 1) Father 2) Son 3) Holy Spirit

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People of the OT–Jews–no difficulty with concept John - author = <u>Jew</u> 1) 5:44 "the only GOD" 2) 5:18-19 "<u>equal with</u> GOD" - Jesus Christ

20:17 "Father"
 20:22-23 Holy Spirit - forgive sins (Mk 2:7)
 20:28 "My Lord and my GOD"

One God vs many "gods" (idols)

Correct *contrast* important ... <u>Wife</u>: "You want chicken, beef, or both to eat?" <u>Husband</u>: "I only want ONE - the beef." ... <u>Husband</u>: "Any veggies, potatoes?" <u>Wife</u>: "No, you said you only wanted ONE thing to eat"

Dt 4:32-35 vs. *idols* Dt 6:4...13-14 vs. *idols* 1Co 8:4-6 vs. *idols*

One God vs many "gods" (idols) Three Beings possessing Godhood in *perfect* unity in nature, will, purpose (contrast idols) **Jn 5:31** Jesus testifies "about Myself" **Jn 5:37** Father testifies "of Me" **Jn 5:39** Holy Spirit testifies "about Me" (Ac 1:16; Heb 3:7 "Scriptures" < HS to Jew)

1Co 12:4-6

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Mt 28:19

2Co 13:14

