

A DIFFERENT GOD

Although Jehovah's Witnesses would agree with historic Christianity on some of the attributes of God, they only apply these attributes to God the Father. Jehovah's Witnesses constantly misrepresent and attack the doctrine of the Trinity. I find it interesting that the Watch Tower Society has numerous times defined the Trinity correctly, yet it often defines the Trinity incorrectly as well. One can only wonder, do they from time-to-time forget how to define Trinity, or do they purposely misrepresent the Trinity to suit their own purposes?

Following is a quote by the Watch Tower on one of the occasions when they misrepresented the doctrine of the Trinity.

The Watch Tower, April 1, 1970, pg.210 (JW) (PDF pg. 210)

"It may be necessary for us to teach those with whom we study the Bible how to reason on Scripture texts. For example, Mark 12:29 might be read: 'Hear, O Israel, Jehovah our God is one Jehovah.' Ask the student, 'How many Jehovah's are there?' Let him answer. The answer is obvious that there is only one Jehovah. When he discerns this, you have caused him to register an important fact in his mind that he might otherwise have missed. Help him to appreciate further what this means to him. Reason with him, perhaps in this way: 'If he is one Jehovah, then could he be three gods, God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost, as the Trinitarians teach?' Again, let him answer. 'No, Jehovah could not be three gods, for the Bible plainly says he is one God.' Now, you have caused the student to think on a basic Scriptural truth and to understand that Jehovah is but one God. You have also exposed a basic false doctrine —the doctrine of the Trinity."

The Watch Tower on this occasion gave a false definition of the Trinity, and then argued that the false definition was not Biblical. Of course, the false definition is not Biblical — there is indeed only one God (Isaiah 44:8). The Trinity however is not revealed as unbiblical here; rather, the false definition of Trinity is revealed as unbiblical instead. Next, the Watch Tower declared that this exposed the false doctrine of the Trinity. Trinitarians do not teach that Jehovah is three gods, as the Watch Tower suggested.

Nelson's Illustrated Bible Dictionary defines the TRINITY as follows:

"The coexistence of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit in the unity of the Godhead (divine nature or essence). The doctrine of the trinity means that within the being and activity of the one God there are three distinct persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit."

One could just as easily turn this example around by asking the Jehovah's Witness how many Gods there are. The Witness will most likely answer, "One." Then ask, "Are all other gods false gods?" The answer should be, "Yes." A final question — if Jehovah is the Almighty God, then who is Jesus (The New Worlds Translation, in John 1:1, says that Jesus is a god)? The Bible clearly teaches there is only one God (Isaiah 44:8). Some Jehovah's Witnesses could become confused at this point; Jesus must be the true God, or a false god — otherwise you have two Gods. However, the Jehovah's Witness that is well informed by Watch Tower literature will declare that Jesus only "carries the title" of "god" or "lord"; He is not a true God, such as Jehovah is. Watch Tower literature declares that there is only one Almighty God, and any other god is merely a carrying the title.

Following are three quotes from the Watch Tower Society concerning the Trinity.

Knowledge 1995, pages 30-31 (JW) (PDF pg. 31-32)

"JEHOVAH OUR GOD IS ONE

"The ancient Egyptians worshiped many gods, but Jehovah is 'a God exacting exclusive devotion' (Exodus 20:5). Moses reminded the Israelites that 'Jehovah our God is one Jehovah' (Deuteronomy 6:4). Jesus Christ repeated those words (Mark 12:28, 29). Therefore, those who accept the Bible as God's Word do not worship a Trinity consisting of three persons or gods in one. In fact, the word 'Trinity' does not even appear in the Bible. The true God is one Person, separate from Jesus Christ (John 14:28; 1 Corinthians 15:28). God's holy spirit is not a person. It is Jehovah's active force, used by the Almighty to accomplish his purposes — Genesis 1:2; Acts 2:1-4, 32, 33; 2 Peter 1:20, 21.

The Watch Tower, Feb. 1, 1974, pg.75 (JW) (PDF pg. 75-76)

"Does Christianity Require Belief in a Trinity?

"ALL major religions of Christendom accept the Trinity doctrine as an article of faith. The more than 250 churches belonging to the World Council of Churches confess 'the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Savior according to the Scriptures and therefore seek to fulfill together their common calling to the glory of the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.'

"While the views of the various religious bodies belonging to this fellowship vary radically, all are required to be in agreement that the 'Father, Son and Holy Spirit' are but 'one God.' Hence, rejection of the Trinity doctrine is, in effect, regarded as a rejection of Christianity.....

"So, then, can the Trinity doctrine be viewed as Christian? No, for it denies the clear Biblical statements that Jesus Christ is the 'Son of God,' the 'firstborn of all creation' and the 'beginning of the creation by God' (John 20:31; Colossians 1:15; Revelation 3:14). It falsely claims that he is coequal and coeternal with the Father.

"True Christianity, therefore, requires that we reject the Trinity doctrine as false, as an 'invention' of sinful men. We should worship the Father as the only true God, and do so through his firstborn Son Jesus Christ, the One who occupies the first place among all of God's intelligent creatures —Colossians 3:17." (End Quote)

Let God Be True, 1946, page 82 (JW) (PDF pg. 100)

"The obvious conclusion therefore is that Satan is the originator of the 'trinity' doctrine."

The Watch Tower puts out a 32-page pamphlet to argue against the Trinity. The next three quotes are from that pamphlet.

Should You Believe in the Trinity?, 1989, page 5 (JW) (PDF pg. 4)

"However, contending that since the Trinity is such a confusing mystery, it must have come from divine revelation creates another major problem. Why? Because divine revelation itself does not allow for such a view of God: 'God is not a God of confusion.' —1 Corinthians 14:33, Revised Standard Version (RS)."

Should You Believe in the Trinity?, 1989, page 6 (JW) (PDF pg. 6)

"Similarly, in his book *The Triune God*, Jesuit Edmund Fortman admits: 'The Old Testament . . . tells us nothing explicitly or by necessary implication of a Triune God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit . . . There is no evidence that any sacred writer even suspected the existence of a [Trinity] within the Godhead. . . . Even to see in [the 'Old Testament'] suggestions or foreshadowings or 'veiled signs' of the trinity of persons, is to go beyond the words and intent of the sacred writers.'"

Should You Believe in the Trinity?, 1989, page 7 (JW) (PDF pg. 7)

"The formulation 'one God in three Persons' was not solidly established, certainly not fully assimilated into Christian life and its profession of faith, prior to the end of the 4th century..." "Summing up the historical evidence, Alvan Lamson says in *The Church of the First Three Centuries*: 'The modern popular doctrine of the Trinity...derives no support from the language of Justin [Martyr]: and this observation may be extended to all the ante-Nicene Fathers; that is, to all Christian writers for three centuries after the birth of Christ. It is true, they speak of the Father, Son, and...holy Spirit, but not as co-equal, not as one numerical essence, not as Three in One, in any sense now admitted by Trinitarians. The very reverse is the fact.'

"Thus, the testimony of the Bible and of history makes clear that the Trinity was unknown throughout Biblical times and for several centuries thereafter."

In the Watch Tower quotes so far, we have seen the following:

The doctrine of the Trinity has been misrepresented by declaring it to be a belief in three gods, and with this false definition the Trinity is declared to be untrue;

Those who believe the Bible do not worship a Trinity; The word "Trinity" does not even appear in the Bible; The true God is one Person, separate from Jesus Christ;

God's Holy Spirit is not a person, but rather is Jehovah's active force; The doctrine of the Trinity cannot be viewed as Christian;

True Christianity, therefore, requires that we reject the Trinity doctrine as false, as an "invention" of sinful men;

Satan is the originator of the "Trinity" doctrine;

The doctrine of Trinity is confusing; therefore, God cannot be the author, as He is not a God of confusion;

The Trinity is not in the Old Testament;

The Trinity was not developed until the 4th century AD; and

The Ante-Nicene Fathers before the 4th century did not teach or believe in the Trinity.

To answer these statements, we must show:

The doctrine of the Trinity is taught in the Bible in both the Old and New Testaments

Jesus is God (see A Different Jesus)

God the Holy Spirit is a person, not just an active force (See A Different Holy Spirit) and The doctrine of the Trinity was taught and believed by the early church before the 4th century (see Watch Tower Literature,).

THE TRINITY IS TAUGHT IN THE BIBLE

In this section, Scripture used is from the New World Translation of the Holy Scriptures by the Watch Tower Society. The N.W.T. is actually a very poor and biased translation — but this is the accepted version of the Jehovah's Witnesses— so, if the verses being discussed have not been perverted too badly, the N.W.T. is the version that will be used in this discussion. In cases in which the text has been twisted, and the meaning has been changed, the New American Standard is quoted and is abbreviated as N.A.S. (For further information on the N.W.T., go to the section entitled Watch Tower Literature.)

Historically, the nature of God has been referred to as the Trinity. This means that the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are three separate persons which constitute only one God. The word "Trinity" is not in the Bible. This simply is the name of a doctrine or idea that is taught in the Bible. Jehovah's Witnesses also use terms that are not found in the Bible, such as "Theocratic kingdom". We also use the word "omnipotent" to describe God as having unlimited power. The word "omnipotent" is not in the Bible, yet the Bible clearly teaches that God has unlimited power. People who argue against the Trinity often misrepresent the doctrine by stating that it is a belief in three gods. Similarly, they often point out passages in which Jesus prays to the Father; these people then declare that Jesus cannot be the Father. This type of argument shows a lack of understanding of the doctrine. Let me try to explain this doctrine as clearly as I can. God the Father is called God, but this does not mean that he is Jesus, nor does it mean that he is the Holy Spirit.

The Father is referred to as “God” in —

Romans 1:7 (N.W.T.): “to all those who are in Rome as God’s beloved ones, called to be holy ones: May YOU have undeserved kindness and peace from God our Father and [the] Lord Jesus Christ.” (PDF pg. 1405)

Jesus the Son is also referred to as “God”, but this does not mean that He is the Father, nor does it mean he is the Holy Spirit. Jesus is referred to as “God” in —

John 1:1 and 14 (N.A.S.): “(1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” “(14) And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

(Notice that this verse states that God became flesh. In context this “Word” is Jesus. See also Philippians 2:5-8.)

John 20: 27-29 (N.W.T.): “Next he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here, and see my hands, and take your hand and stick it into my side, and stop being unbelieving but become believing.’ In answer Thomas said to Him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him, ‘Because you have seen me have you believed? Happy are those who do not see and yet believe.’” (PDF pg. 1359)

(Notice that Jesus did not rebuke Thomas when he called Him “Lord” and “God”. A logical conclusion to make from this is that Jesus is God the Son.)

The Holy Spirit is also called “God”, but this does not mean that he is the Father; nor does it mean that he is Jesus. The Holy Spirit is called God in —

Acts 5:3-4 (N.W.T.): “But Peter said, ‘An-a-ni’as, why has Satan emboldened you to play false to the **holy spirit** and to hold back secretly some of the price of the field? As long as it remained with you did it not remain yours, and after it was sold did it not continue in your control? Why was it that you purposed such a deed as this in your heart? You have played false, not to men, but to **God.**” (PDF pg. 1366)

(Notice that Peter stated that Ananias “played false to”, or, in other words, “lied” to the Holy Spirit. Then in the next breath, he states that Ananias had played false to “God”.)

Hebrews 3:7-11 (N.W.T.): “For this reason, just as the **holy spirit** says: ‘Today if YOU people listen to his own voice, do not harden YOUR hearts as on the occasion of causing bitter anger, as in the day of making the test in the wilderness, in which YOUR forefathers made a test of me with a trial, and yet they had seen my works for forty years. For this reason I became disgusted with this generation and said, “They always go astray in their hearts, and they themselves have not come to know my ways.” So I swore in my anger, “They shall not enter into my rest.”’”

(PDF pg. 1493)

Here we see that the Holy Spirit said that he that was provoked, and swore in his wrath, "They shall not enter into my rest".

Psalms 95:6-11 (N.W.T.): "O come in, let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before **Jehovah** our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasturage and the sheep of his hand. Today if YOU people listen to his own voice, Do not harden YOUR hearts as as Mer'i-bah. As in the day of Mas'sah in the wilderness. When YOUR forefathers put me to the proof: They examined me, they also saw my activity. For forty years I kept feeling a loathing toward [that] generation. And I proceeded to say: 'They are a people wayward at heart, And they themselves have not come to know my ways'. Concerning whom I swore in my anger: 'They shall not enter into my resting-place.'" (PDF pg. 793)

Here we are told that "Jehovah our Maker" is "God". It is He that was provoked and swore in His wrath, "They shall not enter into my resting-place". Conclusion God the Holy Spirit said this (see also Numbers 14:22-23).

Following is a similar reference, in which Jehovah is speaking in the Old Testament, and in the New Testament, the Holy Spirit is referred to as the speaker. We will compare Isaiah 6:8-10 with Acts 28:25-27.

Isaiah 6:8-10 (N.W.T.): "And I began to hear the voice of Jehovah saying: 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I proceeded to say: 'Here I am! Send me.' And he went on to say: 'Go, and you must say to this people, "Hear again and again, O men, but do not understand; and see again and again, but do not get any knowledge." Make the heart of this people unreceptive, and make their very ears unresponsive, and paste their very eyes together, that they may not see with their eyes and with their ears they may not hear, and that their own heart may not understand and that they may not actually turn back and get healing for themselves.'" (PDF pg. 894-895)

Acts 28:25-27 (N.W.T) So, because they were at disagreement with one another, they began to depart, while Paul made this one comment: "**The holy spirit** aptly spoke through Isaiah the prophet to YOUR forefathers, 26 saying, 'Go to this people and say: "By hearing, YOU will hear but by no means understand; and, looking, YOU will look but by no means see." 27 For the heart of this people has grown unreceptive, and with their ears they have heard without response, and they have shut their eyes; that they should never see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn back, and I should heal them." (PDF pg. 1404)

We have just seen that the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit are all called "God". These three are all called "God", yet they are also three separate persons. They are not all the same person. This is clearly shown in the following passage, in which Jesus is the speaker:

John 14: 16-17 (N.W.T.): “and I will request the Father and he will give YOU another helper to be with YOU forever, the spirit of the truth, which the world cannot receive, because it neither beholds it nor knows it. YOU know it, because it remains with YOU and is in YOU.” (PDF pg. 1350)

THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD

Isaiah 44:6-8 (N.A.S.): “Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I am the first and I am the last, and there is no God besides me. And who is like me? Let him proclaim and declare it; yes, let him recount it to me in order, from the time that I established the ancient nation. And let them declare to them the things that are coming and the events that are going to take place. Do not tremble and do not be afraid; have I not long since announced it to you and declared it? And you are My witnesses. Is there any God besides me, or is there any other Rock? I know of none.'”

Did you notice that the King of Israel and his Redeemer seem to be speaking in the plural sense? Yet, "I am the first and I am the last, and there is no God besides Me" is singular. At the end of this passage, the Lord asks if there are any other Gods besides Him, stating that He (God) does not know of any! How can there be other Gods that even God Himself knows nothing about?

Isaiah 43:10 (N.W.T.): " ‘YOU are my witnesses,’ is the utterance of Jehovah, ‘even my servant whom I have chosen, in order that YOU may know and have faith in me, and that YOU may understand that I am the same One. Before me there was no God formed, and after me there has been none.’” (PDF pg. 936)

This passage even states that there will be no other Gods in the future.

Thus far, we have seen that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are three separate persons. All three persons are called “God”, and there is only one God. This is also true with the word “creator”; all three are called “creator”, yet there is only one creator.

THE FATHER IS CREATOR

Isaiah 45:18 (N.W.T.): “For this is what Jehovah has said, the Creator of the heavens, He the [true] God, the Former of the earth and the Maker of it, He the One who firmly established it, who did not create it simply for nothing, who formed it even to be inhabited: ‘I am Jehovah, and there is no one else.’” (PDF pg. 940)
(See also Isaiah 42:5 and 1 Corinthians 8:6.)

JESUS IS CREATOR

Colossians 1:13 (N.A.S.): “For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. And He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-- all things have been created by Him and for Him.”

John 1:3 (N.W.T.): “All things came into existence through him, and apart from him not even one thing came into existence.” (PDF pg. 1327) (See also Hebrews 1:2, 1 Corinthians 8:6.)

THE SPIRIT IS CREATOR

Job 26:13 (N.A.S.): “By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.”

Genesis 1:2 (N.A.S.): “And the earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.”

Psalms 104:30 (N.W.T.): “If you send forth your spirit, they are created; And you make the face of the ground new.” (PDF pg. 800)

GOD CREATED BY HIMSELF

Isaiah 44:24 (N.W.T.): “This is what Jehovah has said, your Repurchaser and the Former of you from the belly: ‘I, Jehovah, am doing everything, stretching out the heavens by myself, laying out the earth. Who was with me?’” (PDF pg. 938)

The Watch Tower claims that Jehovah created Jesus and then through Jesus created everything else. The problem is that even their own N.W.T. states that apart from Jesus, not even one thing came into existence (John 1:3) — while in Isaiah 44:24 Jehovah states that He did everything by Himself. Jehovah even asks, “Who was with me?” One Jehovah’s Witnesses shared this illustration with me, to try to explain this: “A contractor can point at a building and say, ‘This is the building that I built.’ In reality others were involved, but it does not make the contractor’s statement untrue.” The problem I have with this illustration is that the contractor could not specifically say that he built the building “by himself”, and he probably wouldn’t ask, “Who was with me?” Jehovah could not say that He created by Himself, and ask, “Who was with me?”, if the Father and Jesus were not one God. To some people these verses would seem to be in conflict with each other. They are not in conflict at all: these three persons constitute only one God!

Deuteronomy 6:4 (N.A.S.): “Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!”

We find further plurality in the one God of the Old Testament. For example:

Genesis 1:26-27 (N.W.T.): “And God went on to say: ‘Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have in subjection the fish of the sea and the flying creatures of the heavens and the domestic animals and all the earth and every moving animal that is moving upon the earth.’ And God proceeded to create the man in his image, in God's image he created him; male and female he created them.” (PDF pg. 8)

"Us" and "our" are plural. "His" and "he" are singular. This shows that there is plurality in the “one” God; there are not three Gods, but rather three persons in the one God.

THE ENTIRE TRINITY MENTIONED IN ONE PASSAGE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT...

Isaiah 48:12-16 (N.W.T.): “12) Listen to me, O Jacob, and you Israel my called one. I am the same One. I am the first. Moreover, I am the last. 13) Moreover, my own hand laid the foundation of the earth, and my own right hand extended out the heavens. I am calling to them, that they may keep standing together. 14) Be collected together, all YOU people, and hear. Who among them has told these things? Jehovah himself has loved him. He will do what is his delight upon Babylon, and his own arm will be upon the Chal-de'ans. 15) I myself have spoken. Moreover, I have called him. I have brought him in, and there will be a making of his way successful. 16) Come near to me, YOU people. Hear this. From the start I have spoken in no place of concealment at all. From the time of its occurring I have been there. And now the Sovereign Lord Jehovah himself has sent me, even his spirit.” (PDF pg. 942-943)

In verse 12, God is the speaker, the one who has called Israel. He states, "I am the same One. I am the first. Moreover, I am the last." "I" and "One" are singular. Follow the context down and you will see that the speaker who is God, who identifies himself as, "I am the first. Moreover, I am the last", is also the same speaker in verse 16. The context does not change speakers. Then this single person (God) speaking says, “And now the Sovereign Lord Jehovah himself has sent me, even his spirit.” God is speaking, yet he says the Lord sent Him. Not only has the “Sovereign Lord Jehovah” sent Him (God), but also He (God) was sent by the Lord Jehovah’s spirit. This passage clearly shows that three separate entities make up a singular God.

UNITY IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 3:16-17 (N.W.T.): “After being baptized Jesus immediately came up from the water; and, look! the heavens were opened up, and he saw descending like a dove God’s spirit coming upon him. Look! Also, there was a voice from the heavens that said: ‘This is my Son, the beloved, whom I have approved.’” (PDF pg. 1218)

Matthew 28:19 (N.W.T.): “Go therefore and make disciples of people of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the holy spirit...”
(PDF pg. 1256)

In these passages we see all three: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are separate, and also in unity. We can see the Trinity in the birth of Christ as well.

Matthew 1:20 (N.W.T.): “But after he had thought these things over, look! Jehovah's angel appeared to him in a dream, saying: ‘Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife home, for that which has been begotten in her is by holy spirit.’” (PDF pg. 1217)

Matthew 16:16-17 (N.W.T.): “In answer Simon Peter said: ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ In response Jesus said to him: ‘Happy you are, Simon son of Jonah, because flesh and blood did not reveal it to you, but my Father who is in the heavens did.’”
(PDF pg. 1237)

That which was conceived in Mary was of the Holy Spirit. Jesus is not called the “Son of the Holy Spirit” —Jesus is called the “Son of God”. Jesus refers to God the Father as His Father, yet that which was conceived in Mary was of the Holy Spirit.

On page 5 of the pamphlet, “**Should You Believe in the Trinity?**”, The Watch Tower, claims that the Trinity is hard to understand; therefore, the doctrine is not to be believed. To support this claim, The Watchtower cites 1 Corinthians 14:33: “God is not a God of confusion...”. But when taken in context, this verse refers to maintaining order in public worship. It has nothing to do with whether or not God is complex. Anybody who has read the book of Revelation knows that there are things in the Bible that are a little confusing. Whether the Trinity is hard to understand is not the point. The point is, does the Bible teach the doctrine of the Trinity? The fact is, the Bible does teach this doctrine. Should it surprise us that God is complex? I do not fully understand the law of gravity. But I know if I step off a cliff I will fall, even if I do not understand or believe this law of gravity. The Bible teaches that there are three separate persons that constitute only one God; therefore, I believe it. I believe it because the Bible is the Word of God.

The following are other comparisons which might cause some to believe Scripture conflicts itself; until the reader recognizes that there are three persons within the one God. First, we will see that both the Father and Jesus are called the “first” and the “last”. How many “firsts and lasts”, “Alphas and Omegas”, “beginnings and “ends” can there be? The answer is, there is only one. There is only one God (Isaiah 44:8).

GOD THE FATHER

Isaiah 41:4 (N.W.T.): “Who has been active and has done [this], calling out the generations from the start? ‘I, Jehovah, the First One; and with the last ones I am the same.’” (PDF pg. 932)

Isaiah 44:6 (N.W.T.): “This is what Jehovah has said, the King of Israel and the Repurchaser of him, Jehovah of armies, ‘I am the first and I am the last, and besides me there is no God.’” (PDF pg. 937)

Isaiah 48:12-13 (N.W.T.): “Listen to me, O Jacob, and you Israel my called one. I am the same One. I am the first. Moreover, I am the last. Moreover, my own hand laid the foundation of the earth.” (PDF pg. 942)

JESUS

Revelation 1:7-8 (N.A.S.) “Behold, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. Even so. Amen. ‘I am the Alpha and the Omega,’ says the Lord God, ‘who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.’”

(Jesus is the one coming with the clouds; see Matthew 24:30, 26:64; Mark 13:26, 14:62; and 1 Thessalonians 4:17.)

Revelation 1:7-8 (N.W.T.): “Look! He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, and those who pierced him; and all the tribes of the earth will beat themselves in grief because of him. Yes, Amen. ‘I am the Al'pha and the O-me'ga’ says Jehovah God, ‘the One who is and who was and who is coming, the Almighty.’” (PDF pg. 1526)
(Who is coming? Jesus is coming.)

Revelation 1:17-18 (N.W.T.): “And when I saw him, I fell as dead at his feet. And he laid his right hand upon me and said: ‘Do not be fearful. I am the First and the Last, and the living one; and I became dead, but, look! I am living forever and ever, and I have the keys of death and of Ha'des.’” (PDF pg. 1527) (The first and last died. Who died? Jesus died.)

Revelation 22:13-16 (N.W.T.): “I am the Al'pha and the O-me'ga, the first and the last, the beginning and the end. Happy are those who wash their robes, that the authority [to go] to the trees of life may be theirs and that they may gain entrance into the city by its gates. Outside are the dogs and those who practice spiritism and the fornicators and the murderers and the idolaters and everyone liking and carrying on a lie. I, Jesus, sent my angel to bear witness to YOU people of these things for the congregations. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright morning star.” (PDF pg. 1547)
(Who is the Al'pha and the O-me'ga, the first and the last? It is Jesus.)

Next, we will see that your body is a temple of God, your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, and it is Christ that dwells in you. How can this be? ANSWER: These three persons make only one God.

YOUR BODY IS A TEMPLE OF GOD

2 Corinthians 6:16 (N.W.T.): “And what agreement does God's temple have with idols? For we are a temple of a living God; just as God said: ‘I shall reside among them and walk among [them], and I shall be their God, and they will be my people.’” (PDF pg. 1445)

1 Corinthians 3:16 (N.W.T.): “Do YOU not know that YOU people are God's temple, and that the spirit of God dwells in YOU?” (PDF pg. 1425)

YOUR BODY IS A TEMPLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 (N.W.T.): “What! Do YOU not know that the body of YOU people is [the] temple of the holy spirit within YOU, which YOU have from God? Also, YOU do not belong to yourselves, for YOU were bought with a price. By all means, glorify God in the body of YOU people.” (PDF pg. 1428) (Jesus\God paid the price [Acts 20:28].)

CHRIST DWELLS IN YOU

Galatians 2:20 (N.A.S.): “I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me, and delivered Himself up for me.”

Next, we will see that God will not give His glory to another. Yet Jesus shared this glory with Him. How can this be? ANSWER: They are one God.

Isaiah 42:8 (N.W.T.): “I am Jehovah. That is my name; and to no one else shall I give my own glory, neither my praise to graven images.” (PDF pg. 934)

John 17:5 (N.W.T.): “So now you, Father, glorify me alongside yourself with the glory that I had alongside you before the world was.” (PDF pg. 1353)

Who raised Jesus from the dead? The answer is God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit all raised Jesus from the dead.

1 Corinthians 6:14 (N.W.T.): “But God both raised up the Lord and will raise us up out of [death] through his power.” (PDF pg. 1427) (See also Acts 2:24, Acts 13:30, Romans 6:4.)

John 2:19-21 (N.W.T.): “In answer Jesus said to them: ‘Break down this temple, and in three days **I will raise it up**. Therefore the Jews said: ‘This temple was built in forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?’ But he was talking about the temple of his body.”
(PDF pg. 1330) (See also John 10:17-18.)

Romans 8:11 (N.W.T.): “If, now, the spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwells in YOU, he that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead will also make YOUR mortal bodies alive through his spirit that resides in YOU.”
(PDF pg. 1413) (See also 1 Peter 3:18.)