

WHERE IS GOD?

Where is God? Is God dead? According to the Word of God, He is at hand, and alive for evermore (Rev. 1:18). Because God is a Spirit, (John 4:24), He cannot be perceived with our natural senses - see 1 Cor.1:20). That which is of Him is spiritually discerned, for "the things of God knoweth no man, but, the Spirit of God" (1 Cor. 2:11-14). "In His word do I hope..." (Psa. 130:5), "for salvation is by the word of God" (1 Peter 1:23).

Who created God? He is the ETERNAL GOD (Deut. 33:27), the King eternal (1 Tim. 1:17), the everlasting Father (Isa. 9:6). The Godhead is composed of a Trinity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That the members of the Godhead are without beginning or ending (Heb. 7:3) is one of the mysteries of Godliness (1 Tim. 3:16), which the believer accepts in faith.

Many deny the Deity of Christ, as well as His incarnation, and teach that Christ was a created being. The O. T. prophesied that God would be born as a child in the flesh. See Isa. 7:14; 9:6. Please note the word IMMANUEL (God with us), and that He was to be called the "Mighty God," etc. Read the account of God becoming a man also, in Matt.1:18-25; Luke 2:1-40. That He was God eternally is clearly taught in John 1: 1,2. He is without beginning of days or end of life (Heb. 7:3), as God. That He was also God born in the flesh is taught in John 1:14; Philipp. 2:5-11. "Great is the mystery of Godliness" (2 Tim. 3:16).

Almighty God subsists as a Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit - a fact clearly developed in a multitude of Bible references. The three Persons of the Godhead are in perfect fellowship, and share alike in the Divine nature and attributes, have a common purpose, and always act in absolute harmony and unanimity.

There is no direct statement in the Bible that God subsists as a Holy Trinity, but the truth is implied. The doctrine of the Trinity is that while there is one and only one God, there are three Persons in the God head: God, the Father; God, the Son; and God, the Holy Spirit. The fact that there is only one God is stated in 1 Tim. 2:5 - "For there is one God and one mediator between God and man, the man, Christ Jesus."

The fact that the Father is God is taught in such passages as Romans: 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:3; 6:6; Gal. 1:1; Eph. 4:6; etc. Jesus Christ is said to be God in John 1:1; 10:30; Rom. 9:5; Col. 2:9; 1 Tim. 3:16; Heb. 1:8, etc. The Holy Spirit is shown to be God in Acts 5:1-4. In verse 3 (Acts 5) Peter accused Annias of lying to the Holy Spirit (Holy Ghost). Then he said in verse 4 "... thou hast not lied unto me, but unto God." In other words, the Holy Ghost is God. See also 2 Cor. 3:17).

When it is said there are three Persons in the Godhead, what is meant by "person" ? Generally a person is regarded as a being who has intellect, emotions and will. In Scripture passages too numerous to mention, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all spoken of as knowing, feeling, and willing.

For "knowing" see Psalm 139:1,2,4; Matt. 6:8; John 4:1; 1 Cor. 2:11.

For "emotion" see John 16:27; 11:25; Eph. 4:30.

For "will" see Matt. 18:14; John 17:24; Rom. 8:27