

Women's Bible Study: Fall 2011

Who Do You Say I AM: A Study of the Names and Character of Christ

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He Is One With The Father

John 10:30; John 1:1-14

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John 10:30 says *I and the Father are one.*

John 5:18 says *This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.*

John 1:1 says *in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Then on to verse 14 where it says that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

I would like to take a trip through the Bible and do some searching to see what is said about Jesus and the Father being one.

Creation

Consequences of sin

Calling

Communication

Cries

Cross

Church

Culmination

Numbers 1 through 5 are all pointing to Jesus and paving the way for Him. The OT speaks of God and keeps showing everyone that His son, who is also God, will be coming some day.

1. **Creation.** From the very beginning we see Jesus .

- a. Genesis 1:1 *In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.*
 - b. Hebrew word for God is plural, but create is singular.
2. **Consequences of sin.** God shows the need for a savior from the first sin and that only He can provide the perfect atonement.
- a. Genesis 3:15. Curse on the serpent. *I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring. He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.*
 - b. The first announcement of the gospel. The defeat of Satan by a future descendant of the woman.
 - c. Words he and his can refer to one particular person. Jesus will bruise the head of Satan, and Satan will bruise the heel of Jesus. One is much more serious than the other. Look up Hebrews 2:14.
 - d. Garments to cover. Genesis 3:21. *And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them. This relates to the system of animal sacrifices to atone for their sins and the sacrificial death of Christ as atonement for sin.*
3. **Calling.** All through the OT God is showing the way to Jesus.
- a. The Tabernacle. God calling his people to himself daily.
 - b. The spirit of God filled the tabernacle and the items inside all point to Jesus.
 - c. Types of Jesus.
 - Isaac (Gen. 22 the son being sacrificed)
 - Joseph (the rejected brother)
 - Moses (the Passover lamb and deliverer).
 - d. Deut.6:4. *Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.*
4. **Communication.** The prophets warned the people but also told them of a future Messiah to come and save them.
- a. Isaiah 9:6. Messiah would be both God and man
 - b. Jeremiah 23:6 Messiah would be God
 - c. Daniel 7:13,14 Messiah would be a son of man given an everlasting kingdom.
 - d. Joel 2:32 Messiah will offer salvation to all mankind

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We believe in one God, [the Father](#), the Almighty maker of heaven and earth, of all that *is seen* and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only [Son of God](#), eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, [one in Being](#) with the Father.

8. Culmination

a. Revelation 1:17. The Alpha and Omega

9. God....creator, sustainer, deliverer, righteous, holy

10. Jesus....one with God, his son, his image, the savior and redeemer.

11. The spirit, which Jesus told us about in John , comforts, teaches, grieves searches the deep things of God and knows the thoughts of God, distributes the gifts, interprets and brings human prayer before the Father, assures us and bears witness to and glorifies Christ.

12. So what? What do you do now?

- a. Believe
- b. Serve only one God
- c. Obey
- d. Worship

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