Studies on the Father, Son and Holy Spirit Lesson 2 Who is the God of the Bible?

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1. According to the Old Testament, how many Gods are there?

Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:"

Deuteronomy 4:35 "Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him."

Jeremiah 10:10 "But the LORD is the true God, he is the living God, and an everlasting king: at his wrath the earth shall tremble, and the nations shall not be able to abide his indignation."

(see Question 6, on p. 12)

2. According to the New Testament, how many Gods are there?

1 Corinthians 8:4 "As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one."

Ephesians 4:6 "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

1Timothy 2:5 "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;"

James 2:19 "Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble."

3. Who is the most qualified person to tell us about the true God?

John 1:18 "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him."

John 3:11 "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness."

4. According to Jesus—

a. Who is "the only true God"?

John 17:3 "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent."

b. Whom did Jesus say we should pray to?

Matthew 6:9-13 "After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive



our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."

c. Which is the first commandment of all?

Mark 12:28-32 "And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he:"

Knowing God is required before we can love Him. A correct knowledge of God is vital for our relationship with Him. The scribe agreed that there is only one God, and none other but He.

d. Did Jesus correct the scribe?

Mark 12:34 "And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask him any question."

The belief of the scribe reflects the faith of the entire Jewish nation. The Jews believed in one God only.

John 8:41 "Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God."

e. Who is the God of the Jews?



John 8:54 "Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:" (see Romans 3:29)

f. Who will the true worshippers worship?

John 4:21-23 "Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him."

5. According to the apostles, who is the one God?

1 Corinthians 8:6 "But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him."

James 3:9 "Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God."

Romans 15:6 "That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Ephesians 4:6 "One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

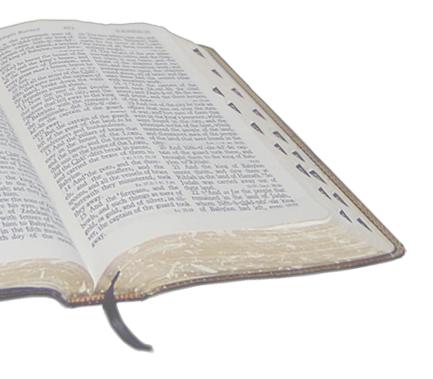
2 Corinthians 1:3 "Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;"



6. Who is the living and true God?

1 Thessalonians 1:9, 10 "For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come."





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