

The Trinity of G-d & the Deity of Y'shua the Messiah

- I. The one true G-d of Israel is a plurality of unity. This is a spiritual concept that can be found in the original language of the ancient Hebrew Scriptures.
- A. **Genesis 1:1-2** “In the beginning G-d(s) (*Elohim*) created the heaven(s) (*HaShamayim*) and the earth. And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of G-d(s) (*v’Ruach Elohim*) moved upon the face of the waters.”
- Genesis 3:5** “For G-d(s) (*Elohim*) knows that in the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened and you shall be as *gods* (*kayElohim*), knowing both good and evil.”
 - Exodus 18:11a** “Now I know that the L-RD is greater (*kee-gadol Adonai*) than all *gods* (*mee-kol HaElohim*).”
 - Yeled = one male child / *Yeledim* = male children.
 - Haver = one male friend / *Haverim* = male friends.
 - Yom = one day / *Yomim* = days.
- B. **Genesis 2:24** “Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be *one* flesh (*l’vasar echad*).”
- If *two* can be united as *one* (*echad*), why can’t *three* be united as *one*?
 - Judges 20:1** “Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as *one* (*echad = united*) man, from Dan to Beersheva, with the land of Gilead, unto the L-RD in Mizpeh.”
 - Deuteronomy 6:4** “Hear, O Israel (*S’hma Yisrael*): The L-RD our G-d(s) (*Adonai Eloheinu*) is (a united) *one* L-RD (*Adonai echad*).”
 - Isaiah 53:4a & 5a** “Surely He has born our griefs (*halah-yenu*) and carried our sorrows (*umak-ohveyenu*). But he was wounded for our transgressions (*mee-pesha-aynu*) and he was bruised for our iniquities (*may-oh-no-teynnu*).
- C. **Genesis 1:26a & 27a** “And G-d said, ‘Let *us* make man in *our* own image (*b’tzal-meynu*), after *our* own likeness [resemblance] (*kee-mood-teynnu*).’ So G-d created man in His own image, in the image [similitude] of G-d He created him.”
- A key to understanding the unique triunity of G-d is to look at ourselves who are created in His image. If G-d is a triune being, than we, who are created in his image, should be triune beings as well. The next verse clearly reveals that.
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:23** “And the very G-d of peace sanctify you *wholly* (or completely); and I pray your *whole spirit, soul, and body* be preserved blameless unto the coming of our L-RD Y’shua the Messiah.”
 - Matthew 3:16-17** “Then *Y’shua*, when He had been immersed, came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw *the Spirit of G-d* descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly *a voice came from heaven* (G-d, the Father), saying, ‘This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.’”
 - This perfect picture of the Triune G-dhead in action is a gift from G-d to help us perceive an infinite truth with our finite minds. As Y’shua, the Son of G-d is immersed, the Spirit of G-d comes to Him as a dove and He hears His Father speak from heaven. Either Y’shua is a slick magician and a very gifted ventriloquist **or** our G-d is a triunity (or trinity), a triune plurality of unity!
 - Matthew 28:19a “Go therefore and teach all nations, immersing them in the name of the *Father* (*b’shem haAhv*), and *the Son* (*v’haBane*), and *the Holy Spirit* (*v’haRuach haKodesh*).”
 - The Bible teaches us that there is one G-d. In the New Covenant, the one true G-d has revealed Himself in three persons: Father, Son, & Holy Spirit. Each of us is created a triunity in G-d’s own image and likeness. Each of us is just one person, yet we are made up of three different, but complimentary and necessary parts that make up the whole, complete individual that we are.

- iv. **Genesis 2:7** “And the L-RD G-d(s) formed man of the dust of the ground (*body*), and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (*spirit*); and man became a living *soul*.
 - a. *Spirit* (Hebrew – ruach / Greek - pneuma) = Breath, wind. Our spirit gives us G-d consciousness. It is our very breath of life from G-d Himself. It is where we hear G-d speak to us and our human spirit has the functions of conscience, worship, and inspiration / revelation.
 - b. *Soul* (Hebrew – nephesh / Greek – psuche). Our soul gives us self-consciousness. It is the result of the joining of our spirit to our body and is the connecting bridge between the two. Our soul enables us to communicate with other human beings. Our soul is comprised of our mind / intellect, will / volition, and our emotions / feelings.
 - c. *Body* (Hebrew – basar / Greek – soma). Our body gives us world-consciousness. It is our earth suit, the house that our spirit and soul live in and find their expression through. It enables us to touch, taste, see, hear, and smell, thereby collecting the information that our soul processes into the human knowledge that each of possess.
 - i. For a born-again new covenant believer, our body is the temple of the Ruach HaKodesh (the Holy Spirit). When the body dies, the spirit and soul will live eternally either in G-d’s presence or separated from His presence forever. This is decided by our own choice, whether we accept or reject G-d’s gracious provision that will retrofit us to spend eternity in the super-hyper-mega-nova illumination of the omni-powerful, piercing, and penetrating light that is the constantly emanating from the glory that surrounds His throne.

II. The Trinity of G-d necessitates accepting the validity of the Deity of Y’shua. The scriptural truth of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit establishes the divinity of Y’shua, as the only begotten Son of G-d. After his death and resurrection, Y’shua affirms this truth by accepting worship from Thomas, the disciple who had previously doubted his resurrection. He fell on his knees before Y’shua and openly declared, “*My L-RD and my G-d* (John 20:24-29).”

A. **1 Timothy 3:16** “And without controversy, great is the mystery of godliness: *G-d was manifest in the flesh*, justified in the spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.”

- 1. **Colossians 2:9** “For in him (Y’shua) dwells all the fullness of *the G-dhead* (the Trinity) bodily.”
- 2. **Proverbs 30:4** “Who has ascended to heaven and come down? Who has gathered the wind in the hollow of his hand? Who has wrapped the waters in his garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His *son’s* name if you can tell?”
- 3. **Daniel 3:25** “He answered and said, ‘Behold, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they are not hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the *Son of G-d* (I’var Ela-heen).”
 - a. **Daniel 7:9-10** “I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the *Ancient of Days* did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool: His throne was like the fiery flame, and His wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth before Him: a thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.”
 - i. **Revelation 1:13-16** “And in the midst of the seven gold menorahs was one like the *Son of Man*, clothed with a garment down to His feet with a golden girdle around His waist. His head and His hair were white like wool, and white as snow; and His eyes were as a flame of fire; And His feet were like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice was as the sound of many waters. And He had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and His countenance was like the sun shining in full strength.”
 - ii. **Revelation 5:5-12** “Behold, the *Lion of the Tribe of Judah*, the *Root of David*, has prevailed to open the book and to loose the seven seals thereof. And I beheld, in the midst of the throne, stood a *Lamb*, as it had been slain, and He came and took the

book out of the right hand of Him that sat on the throne and when He had taken the book, they sang a new song, saying, ‘You are worthy to take the book and to open the seals thereof: for you were slain and have redeemed us to G-d by your blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and have made us kings and priest unto our G-d, and we shall reign on the earth.’ And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands: saying with a loud voice, ‘Worthy is *the Lamb* that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing.’”

4. Isaiah 7:14 “Therefore the L-RD Himself shall give you a *sign* (oht = *miracle*): Behold, a *virgin* (almah = young maiden of marriageable age / virgin) shall conceive and bear a son and shall call his name, *Immanuel* (meaning, *G-d with us*)
 - i. Please note that the *sign* that the L-RD Himself gave was a *miraculous* one. This is the same word used for the signs and wonders G-d brought upon the false gods of the Egyptians in the Book of Exodus. So that necessitates that the young maiden of marriageable age, be a *virgin*, as it is translated *parathenos* in the Septuagint, the Greek translation of the Older Covenant scriptures, for it is not a unique, unusual sign for a young women to have a child.
 - j. The prophetic name *Immanuel* reveals the prophetic purpose for this miraculous birth, so that *G-d* Himself could be with us through the person of His Son, Y’shua (Jesus), and the anointing of His Spirit, HaMashiach (The Messiah), while humbly accepting the limitations of a finite human body. This enabled Him to touch our lives more intimately and tangibly, all while effecting an eternal cure for the sickness of sin that has plagued mankind for thousands of years.
 5. Isaiah 9:6-7 “For unto us a child is born, unto us a son if given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and His name shall be called *Wonderful Counselor* (Peleh Yoetz), *The mighty G-d* (El-Gibbor), *The Eternal Father* (Avi-Ahd), *The Prince of Peace* (Sar-Shalom). Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the L-RD of Hosts will perform this.”
 - a. Jeremiah 23:5-6 “Behold, the days come, says the L-RD, that I will raise unto David a *righteous Branch*, and a King shall reign and prosper: and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. In His days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is the name whereby He shall be called, *THE L-RD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS* (Adonai Tzidkeynu).”
 - b. Matthew 1:21 “And she shall bring forth a son, and you shall call his name *Y’shua* (meaning *Salvation*): for He shall *save* his people from their sins.”
 - i. **Romans 1:3-4** “Concerning his Son Y’shua the Messiah *our L-RD*, which was made of *the seed of David* according to the flesh; and declared to be the *Son of G-d* with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.”
 - ii. **Matthew 16: 15-17** “He said to them, ‘but who do you say that *I AM*?’ And Shimon Kefa (Simon Peter) answered and said, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living G-d.’ Y’shua answered and said, ‘Blessed are you, Shimon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.’”
- B. Y’shua demonstrated all the attributes of divinity as G-d the Son, creator (pre-incarnate), the Son of G-d / Son of Man, Savior (incarnate), and Head of the Body, High Priest / Intercessor, Advocate / Mediator, L-RD & Judge, All Authority / King of Kings & L-RD of Lords (post-resurrection / ascension).
1. **G-d the Son, Creator (Pre-incarnate) John 1:1 –3 & 14** “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with G-d, and the Word was G-d. The same was in the beginning with G-d. *All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made.* And the

Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth.”

- a. Colossians 1:15-17 “Who is the image of the invisible G-d, the firstborn of every creature: ***For by Him were all things created***, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: ***all things were created by Him, and for Him: and He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.***”
 - i. **Hebrews 1:1a – 3c** “G-d, has in these last days spoken unto us by his *Son*, whom *He appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of His power.*”
 - ii. **John 8:56-59** “Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad.’ Then the Jews said to Him, ‘You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?’ Y’shua said to them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, *before Abraham was, I AM.*’ Then they took up stones to throw at Him; but Y’shua hid Himself and went out of the Temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.”
2. **Son of G-d / Son of Man - Savior (Incarnate)/ John 3:16-17** “For G-d so loved the world that he gave his *only begotten Son*, that whosoever believes on him, should not perish, but have everlasting life. For G-d did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.”
 - a. **Matthew 21:28** “Even as the *Son of Man* came not to be served, but to serve, and ***to give his life as a ransom for many.***”
 - i. **Romans 5:6-8** “For when we were still without strength, at the right time Messiah died for the ungodly. For scarcely ***for a righteous man will one die***; yet perhaps ***for a good man, one would even dare to die***; But *G-d demonstrates His love toward us*, in that, *while we were still sinners, Messiah died for us*. For if *when we were enemies, we were reconciled to G-d through the death of His Son*, much more, *having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.*”
 - iii. Colossians 1:14 “*In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins.*”
 - iv. Titus 2:13-14 “Looking for the Blessed Hope and glorious appearing of our great ***G-d and Savior, Y’shua the Messiah, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.***”
 - v. Hebrews 1:3d “When He had ***by himself purged our sins . . .***”
 - vi. What these verses help us understand, is that if Y’shua was just a virgin born sinless finite mortal man, He would be able to die for only one other human. But since He is both limitless G-d and finite man, He is able to die for the sins of all humanity throughout all time!
3. **High Priest / Intercessor (Post-Resurrection / Ascension) /Hebrews 1:3e** “. . . He sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.”
 - a. Ephesians 1:20-23 “Which he wrought in Messiah, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but in that which is to come: and has put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the Church, which is his body, the fullness of him that fills all in all.”
 - i. Philippians 2:5-11 “Let this mind be in you, which also was in Messiah Y’shua: Who, ***being in the form of G-d***, thought it not robbery to be ***equal with G-d***: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled

himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore G-d also has highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Y'shua, every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and every tongue should confess that Y'shua the Messiah is L-RD, to the glory of G-d the Father."

- ii. **Hebrews 4:14** "Seeing then that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Y'shua, the Son of G-d, let us hold fast our profession."
 - iii. **Hebrews 7:21c-22 & 24-25** "The L-RD swore and will not repent, You (Y'shua) are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek: by so much was Y'shua made a guarantee of a better covenant. This man, because he continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able to save them to the uttermost that come unto G-d by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them."
- b. **Advocate / Mediator/ 1 Timothy 2:5** "For there is *one G-d* and *one mediator* between G-d and men, *The Man*, Messiah Y'shua."
- i. Y'shua is *The Man*, not just a mortal man, but the one and only G-d-Man who because of being both G-d and man was able to become the Mediator, the faithful High Priest, effectively interceding for man at the right hand of G-d. As a man, He can be touched with the pangs of our humanity & as G-d, He can actually do something about it!
 - ii. **1 John 2:1-2** "My little children, these things I write unto you, that you sin not. And if anyone sin, we have an Advocate (a Defense Attorney) with the Father, Messiah Y'shua, the Righteous: and he is the Propitiation (Place of Mercy) for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."
 - iii. **Romans 4:21-5:1** "And (Abraham) being fully persuaded that what he (G-d) had promised he was able to perform, it was imputed to him (Abraham) for righteousness. Now it was not written for him (Abraham) alone, but for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised Y'shua our L-RD from the dead; who was delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification (legally declaring us 'Not guilty'). Therefore being justified (legally declared 'Not guilty') by faith, we have peace with G-d through our L-RD Y'shua the Messiah."
- c. **Head of the Body/ Colossians 1:18** "And He is the Head of the Body, the Church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence."
- i. **Ephesians 5:23b** "Messiah is the Head of the Church; and He is the Savior of the Body."
- d. **L-RD & Judge / Romans 14:9-12** "For to this end Messiah both died and rose again, that he might be L-RD both of the living and the dead. But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Messiah:

For it is written: 'As I live, says the L-RD, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to G-d.' So then each of us shall give an account to G-d."

- i. If we compare this verse with Philippians 2:5-11, it is obvious that the L-RD and G-d referred to here is none other than Y'shua the Messiah!
- ii. **2 Corinthians 5:10** "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Messiah, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad."
- iii. **2 Thessalonians 1:7b-8** ". . . when the L-RD Y'shua is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know G-d, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our L-RD Y'shua the Messiah."
- iv. **2 Timothy 4:1** "I charge you therefore before G-d and the L-RD Y'shua the Messiah, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom."

- v. There is a consistent theme in this grouping of verses, revealing to us the co-equality of G-d and our L-RD Y'shua the Messiah. Yet, there is also the mutual submission of Y'shua to the Father (1 Corinthians 15:27-28 & Hebrews 2:5-10) and of the Holy Spirit to Y'shua (John 14:26, 15:26, & 16:13-15).
- e. **All Authority / King of kings & L-RD of lords Matthew 28:18** “Then Y'shua came and spoke to them, saying, ‘All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.’”
 - i. **Revelation 1:8** “*I Am* the Aleph¹ and the Tav² (the Alpha & Omega), the Beginning and the End,’ says the L-RD, ‘who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.’”
 - ii. **Revelation 19:11-16** “Then I saw heaven opened and behold, a white horse and He who sat on him was called Faithful & True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire and on His head were many crowns. His name was called The Word of G-d. Out of His mouth goes a sharp sword and He has on His thigh a name written:

King of Kings and L-RD of Lords!

¹ Aleph (Hebrew) / Alpha (Greek) = The first letter of the alphabet

² Tav (Hebrew) / Omega (Greek) = The last letter of the alphabet