

Trinity, Duality, or Oneness



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To comprehend the message of the Bible more thoroughly, one must initially obtain a correct understanding of the existing relationship between the persons in the spiritual family of the Majesty on High.

One of the basic doctrines taught by nominal Churchianity is the Trinity. The Christian religion is based predominantly upon a firm belief in this doctrine. Many groups make this single doctrine the exclusive TEST of fellowship. If you believe the teaching of the Trinity, you are accepted. If you disavow this doctrine, you are rejected and labeled as a cultist! It is a subject highly charged with emotion; nevertheless, few people consider whether the Trinity can be proven from the sacred Scriptures. It is imperative that we examine the subject thoroughly, so that as sincere Bible students, we can stand on the solid foundation of sound doctrine.

Trinity Proven Unscriptural

The doctrine of the Trinity has been defined as follows: "The holy Trinity is one supreme being, existing in three persons, all equal in rank and in eternity, having the

same substance and yet being three separate persons, but united in one G-d head [most word and theological dictionaries will offer a similar definition]."

The better Bible encyclopedias admit that NO OLD TESTAMENT PASSAGE can be found THAT WILL JUSTIFY THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRINITY. In fact, they also freely admit to a dearth of material in the New Testament that would confirm this doctrine. They forthrightly acknowledge that no passage in the sacred Scriptures plainly describes or defines the Trinity. Yet, they cling tenaciously to the doctrine and insist upon its necessity. Why?

A Dubious Proof Text

The only Scripture in the entire **Authorized Version (AV)** of the Bible that superficially appears to support the Trinitarian doctrine is found in 1 John 5:7-8. **The King James (AV)** text of this passage reads, "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the

Word, and the Holy [Spirit]; and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood; and these three agree in one."

The translation from the **Aramaic Peshitta** version renders 1 John 5:7-8 this way: "And the Spirit testifies that that very Spirit is truth. And there are three that bear witness, the Spirit and the water and blood; and these three are one."

Obviously, a great disparity exists between the translation appearing in the **King James** text and that taken from the **Peshitta**, Aramaic version. How can such a plain difference be explained?

Greek Text Follows Peshitta

Let us go further and examine the **GREEK TEXT** of 1 John 5:7-8. It reads, "For there are three which testify, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood; and the three are of one." (**The Emphatic Diaglott**, Benjamin Wilson.) See also the scholarly Greek New Testament. The last clause in the Greek text literally reads, "And the three for the one are" (perhaps should be translated agree).

The basic thought that emerges from a careful perusal of the Greek text reveals that the Spirit, the water, and the blood unite in their witness to the plan of salvation revealed in Yahshua the Messiah, our Redeemer.

If you are interested in a further confirmation of the veracity of what was stated heretofore, see any of the more recent translations of the New Testament, such as the **Revised Standard Version**, the **New International Version**, and the **New English Bible**. See also other interlinear Greek texts.

Origin of Trinity

The average student of the Bible has undoubtedly never studied deeply enough to know that ancient pagan mythologies are replete with trinities. For example, in ancient Egyptian religion there were three trinitarian groups of the mighty ones. Scholars employ the term “triad” for trinity, since using the term would denote a relationship with Christianity. The most prominent triad was Osiris, Isis, and Horus. (Some authorities suggest that it was Isis, Horus, and Seb [or Sep].) Generally these triads or trinities took the form of a father, mother, and child (son) combination in the traditional, mythological family of mighty ones.

The *plethora* of mythological family triads (trinities) in pagan religions can ultimately be traced to a point of origin in Babylon (Genesis 10:8-12), Nimrod, his wife-mother Semiramis and their son Tammuz. This corrupt worship marked the beginning of false messiah worship being perpetrated, even today, in christianity. The true Messiah of Israel is **VERY UNLIKE** the one which christianity teaches and worships.

The Father is Supreme

Thorough study of the Bible reveals that the Almighty Father Yahweh stands at the head of ev-

erything. We see this concept quite clearly in 1 Corinthians 8:6. ***“Yet to us there is one Elohim, the Father, of whom are all things and we to him....”*** Practically the same explanation is found in another one of Paul’s letters. Romans 11:34-36, ***“For who has known the mind of Yahweh? Or who has been his counselor? Or who has first given to him, and it shall be recompensed to him again? For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things. To him be the glory to the ages. Amen.”*** Let us also remember Ephesians 3:14-15. ***“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.”***

The Son Is Subordinate

Yahshua the Messiah is the only begotten son of the heavenly Father Yahweh. Notice carefully what we read in John 1:14. “And the Word became flesh, and tabernacled among us (and we beheld his glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father), full of grace and truth.” The Word, the *logos*, the *dabar*, the *me’mra*, who became the Messiah of Israel revealed in human form, was the only begotten son of the Father. See Psalm 2:7. ***“I will tell of the decree: Yahweh said to me, You are my son; This day have I begotten you.”***

The term “only begotten Son” is found also in 1 John 4:9. ***“In this was the love of Yahweh manifested in us, that Yahweh has sent his only begotten Son into the world that we might live through him.”***

Do you grasp the importance of harmonizing all of these Scriptures? They reveal that the Father stands supreme in the universe, the great first cause, the Creator of ALL. The Almighty Father in heaven has existed eternally. He had no origin that human mind can identify or comprehend, because He has always existed. The concept of eternity

cannot be grasped by the limited mind of human mortal man.

The true definition of the Father’s revealed, personal Name is seen as being derived from the Hebrew verb of existence—*hayah*. The Name YAHWEH represents the imperfect (present and future tense) form of that verb. It is employed by the Almighty as a proper noun, His Name—Yahweh. Therefore, the Name Yahweh means “to exist forever” or “One who has self-existence and eternal life.” This blessing of eternal life can only be conferred by one who has the right to give it to those who qualify.

To digress briefly, consider that the Bible teaches the vital importance that we must know, use, and call upon the Name—YAHWEH—which was revealed as the exclusive appellative of our Heavenly Father in His inspired instructions to mankind. The reason why such vital importance is attached to a name is that we may receive everlasting life only through calling upon (asking for it from) the Being whose Name means “everlasting existence, everlasting life.” Without this distinct characteristic manifested within the meaning of the Name of the Mighty One we worship, we would never receive the blessing of eternal life in the Kingdom of Yahweh, nor would we be adopted into the spiritual family of the Most High. How can any other than the true Mighty One give eternal life to a human being? ***“For all the elohim of the peoples are idols; But Yahweh made the heavens.”*** (Psalm 96:5). This declaration is quite absolute and convincing. Please confirm this for yourself immediately in passages such as Joel 2:32, Acts 2:21, and Romans 10:13.

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The true Name of the Messiah in Hebrew incorporates the abbreviated, poetic form of the heavenly Father's Name with a word that describes the mission He came to perform. This combination word that is His Name, reflects what He will do for those who desire eternal salvation. Therefore, we read in Acts 4:12, **"And in none other is there salvation: for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, in which we must be saved."** It is only through the genuine Name of the Messiah, YAHSHUA, which means "YAHWEH IS SALVATION," that we may receive this great blessing of everlasting life. This Name is exclusive where salvation is concerned. None other will serve this lofty, required purpose.

Please notice the explanation of the meaning of the Messiah's Name in Matthew 1:21 (He [Yahweh] shall save His people [Israel] from their sins).

Yahshua, the First Creation of Yahweh

In Revelation 3:14, Yahshua makes a striking declaration to the Laodicean Assembly. We read there, **"These things says the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of El."**

Consider carefully the last phrase of this sentence, **"... the beginning of the creation of El."** The word "beginning" translates the Greek term *arche*. This identical word also appears in John 1:1. The same word is employed in the **Septuagint** (Greek translation of the Hebrew Bible) in Genesis 1:1. The Greek word *arche* means the "beginning, or the first, the prime," as it appears in the



Here we see various ways pagan religions have depicted the trinity—3 heads, 3 pairs of arms, 3 horns.

term with which most of us are familiar, "archangel." The word **archangel** means "the FIRST, the PRIMARY, or the LEADING angel."

Therefore, Yahshua the Messiah intends us to understand that He was the first, primary, or the beginning of the creation of Yahweh. This is in total harmony with what the remainder of the Bible teaches. Yahweh created His Son first (also terming His procreation as *begotten*), before doing anything else. Yahshua comprised the beginning of Yahweh's plan of salvation.

Let us ponder the implications of this statement. If Yahshua the Messiah was Yahweh's first or original creation, then He was created somewhere in eternity, before time came into existence. As we have already learned, He was the first and only begotten Son of Yahweh, begotten through a creation. (How does a spirit being reproduce himself? Not through a carnal sexual act. He creates, or, as he is doing now in a case of humans, he recreates a saint from a sinner through the spiritual conversion experience.)

Before time began or any concept of measuring time as we know it was brought into existence—such as through the rotation of the earth around the sun or the movement of the heavenly bodies in their assigned courses—Yahshua the Messiah was created.

Notice again the important description of the unique relationship between the Father and Son found in Paul's epistle (Colossians 1). Verse 15 shows that Yahshua is the *firstborn* of all creation (note the connection between these two terms). Verse 16 continues with the thought: **"For in him were all things created, in the heavens and upon the earth, things visible and things invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things have been created through him, and to him."** This verse could not be more plain or lucid, could it? It tells us that **Yahshua is the creator**, and that **He was brought into existence before anything else**, as the only begotten Son of Yahweh.

When we compare the text of Genesis 1:1 with Colossians 1, we observe an amazing harmony. Elohim (a masculine plural word), a family composed of a duality of spirit beings working in total unity, did the creating. We can see from John 1:1-2 that the Word was the creator and that the Word (formerly Spirit as in Genesis 1) became flesh. Yahshua the Messiah is known as the Word (Greek—*logos*, Aramaic—*me'mra*, Hebrew—*dabar*) of Yahweh. Please note carefully Revelation 19:13. **"And he is arrayed in a garment dipped in blood:**

and His name is called the Word [Greek-logos] of Yahweh.”

Yahshua the Messiah, Yahweh’s Spokesman

The Greek term *logos* has the connotation of *spokesman*. The words that are used in Aramaic (*me’mra*), and in Hebrew (*dabar*), also mean “the word,” or more specifically in some instances “the one who speaks the word of another.” It is of vital importance to remember that no human being has ever had direct contact in any way with the Almighty Heavenly Father Yahweh. The only begotten Son has declared the Father (John 1:18). He served as the Father’s representative to transmit heaven’s plan of salvation to man. The Son spoke the Father’s words to mankind. He served as the intermediary between Almighty Yahweh and humankind.

Yahshua the Messiah set forth this concept quite plainly when He commented in John 5:37, **“You have neither heard his [Father Yahweh’s] voice at any time, nor seen his form.”** The voice that spoke to human beings in Old Testament times obviously must then have been the voice of the *logos*, **the Word**. The appearance to Israel of a being called Yahweh Elohim on Mount Sinai was this “Word,” Yahweh’s spokesman, His intermediary between Elohim and men, who is described in various places in the sacred Scriptures. (Have you read our series of in-depth articles, combined and published in booklet form, entitled, “The Spokesman”? If not, write in and request the booklet. It is free for the asking.)

Please note Deuteronomy 4:12 in this context, **“And Yahweh spoke to you out of the fire: you heard the voice of the words, but you saw no form; only you heard a voice. And he declared to you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even the ten commandments; and he wrote them**

upon two tables of stone.” It is quite plain that the Israelites seem to have heard the voice of Almighty Yahweh, the Father, yet Yahshua the Messiah, Himself, tells us that **the PEOPLE OF THE MOST HIGH HAVE NEVER HEARD THE FATHER’S VOICE AT ANY TIME, nor SEEN HIS SHAPE.** (Whose was the actual voice of Yahweh that they heard? Let us see.)

The Son as Intermediary

Notice again John 1: 18, **“No man has seen Yahweh at any time; the only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has declared him.”** Do you perceive the answer to our question plainly, right there before your very own eyes? The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, has declared the Father. He is the one who came in the Name of (by the authority of, **AS WELL AS USING THE AUTHORITY OF, HIS NAME**) Yahweh, to reveal the Father to His people. He was the *logos*, the Word, the spokesman. He was the intermediary and now He has become our Melchizedek, Yahweh’s anointed priest (Psalm 110).

When Moses was the intermediary between Yahweh and Israel, he had regular, close personal contact with Elohim. Turn to Exodus 33:11, **“And Yahweh spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend....”** How perfectly plain is this statement! Yahweh spoke to Moses—face to face (the Hebrew text reads: *panim el panim*; literally, faces to faces). Just as a man speaks to his friend face to face, so Moses spoke to Yahweh and Yahweh spoke to Moses. Notice also verse 14 where Moses is told, **“My presence shall go with you.”** The word presence in the Hebrew is *panay*, meaning “faces.” The form of the one who served as the intermediary would direct Israel into Yahweh’s ways.

This entire concept is quite significant because, when we achieve

a correct understanding of the relationship of the Father to the Son, greater understanding of the Scriptures and the plan of salvation more clearly emerges. We must bear these candid Scriptures in mind and harmonize them into the doctrines we believe. We cannot reject any Scripture in the Bible that bears upon a doctrine. Neither can we explain away any Scripture that opposes what we may currently believe. We must humbly submit ourselves to the plain, dogmatic teaching of the infallible Word.

Therefore, we must conclude that the Father is greater than the Son, whereupon it becomes clear that the Father and Son are not completely equal as the trinitarian doctrine requires.

Israel’s Elders Saw Elohim

Let us turn now to Exodus 24:9-11. **“Then Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu went up, and seventy of the elders of Israel: and they saw the Elohim of Israel; and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of sapphire stone, and as it were the very heaven for clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: and they beheld Elohim, and ate and drank.”**

Do you observe how this passage clearly confirms that Moses, along with the sons of Aaron and the 70 elders, actually, and quite literally, saw Elohim? Remember what we have previously read in the book of John. **“No man has seen Yahweh [the Father] at any time.”** Now harmonize this thought with John 14:8-11. **“Philip says to him, Rabbi, show us the Father, and it suffices us. Yahshua says to him, Have I been so long time with you, and do you not know me, Philip? He that has seen me has seen the Father; how say you, Show us the Father? Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The**

words that I say to you I speak not from myself; but the Father remaining in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake."

It was Yahshua the Messiah, the son, who did His work, who revealed the Father to humankind. No man has seen Yahweh, the Father, at any time, but it is the Son (the Word, the *logos, dabar, me'mra*) who revealed the Father to His people. Yahshua's mission was to represent the Father to His spirit-begotten people (children).

Two Yahwehs Appear in the Old Testament

Shocking as the above paragraph subheading might seem to those who have been educated in the traditional interpretation of the Bible, it is absolutely true! For proof, turn to Genesis 19:24. ***"Then Yahweh rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and fire from Yahweh out of heaven."***

Clearly described here are two Yahwehs. One Yahweh was in heaven, the heavenly Father Yahweh that has never been seen by any human eyes and who has never had contact with the human race.

The second Yahweh was on earth. This second Yahweh appeared to Abraham as he sat under the oak of Mamre (Genesis 18:1). In Genesis 18:22-23, we find the account of Abraham pleading with Yahweh to exempt his nephew Lot from judgment and destruction destined to fall on Sodom and Gomorrah. It was this Yahweh (the one on earth), who rained down destruction, fire, and brimstone as judgment for their vile sins upon Sodom and Gomorrah—from the Yahweh who remained in heaven. This Yahweh on earth comprised the second member of the Elohim family, the Majesty on High. (Elohim is a masculine plural word meaning the

strong one [or ones].) The Yahweh who contacted people was not the Father, since **no one has ever seen Him or heard His voice.**

The Key Term—Elohim

Confusion has entered into Old Testament theological interpretation simply because the people assumed that there was only one Yahweh. Elohim is one in PURPOSE, but not one in PERSON. Proverbs 30:4 reveals that in the Old Testament both the Father and the Son bore the same name. This name was **YAHWEH.**

Whenever the angel of Yahweh in the Old Testament was asked to reveal His Name, He never obliged. He usually answered questions relating to His Name with yet another question. This is demonstrated quite clearly in Judges 13:17-18. ***"And Manoah said to the angel of Yahweh, What is your name, that, when your words come to pass, we may do you honor? And the angel of Yahweh said to him, Why do you ask after my name, seeing it is wonderful?"***

When Jacob asked the same question of the man he wrestled to an impasse in Genesis 32:29, he received a question in reply from the angel of Yahweh. ***"And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray you, your name. And he said, Why is it that you asked after my name? And he blessed him there."*** These people knew that they were in contact with Elohim. Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, meaning "the face of El." He realized that he was not in contact with the Almighty Father, but with the emissary from heaven, the second member of the Majesty on High, the intermediary, who was the spokesman for the Father in heaven.

From the Hebrew text, Isaiah 63:9 clearly reveals that the angel of Yahweh was indeed the face of Elohim. ***"In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the ANGEL***

OF HIS PRESENCE [Hebrew—the *angel of His face*] ***saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bore them, and carried them all the days of old."*** The one who appeared to Israel was not the Almighty Father Yahweh, but the second member of the Elohim family. It was the Word of Yahweh who appeared to Abraham in vision, Genesis 15:1. (A word cannot be seen, but the one who speaks the word can be seen.) It was the preexistent one, later known as Yahshua, known in the Old Testament as Yahweh, because He spoke the Father's words in the first person, the one who served as the face of El, the angel who had visible communication with humankind.

The Word Elohim Provides Answers

Deuteronomy 6:4 has confused some people. This is the renowned passage of Scripture known as the *Shema'* because of the initial word appearing in the passage. The **King James** text reads, "Hear, O Israel: [Yahweh] our G-d is one [Yahweh]." The **King James** translators rendered the term "Elohim" as G-d, singular. That is a glaring error! The term "Elohim" is a masculine **PLURAL** word, not singular. Those Bible students who have never progressed beyond the English translation have allowed such erroneous translations to distort the doctrines they believe. The Jews do not wish to acknowledge the Messiah and, therefore, they explain away the duality of the family of the Majesty on High, although it continually confronts us in the Hebrew text. Now translate Deuteronomy 6:4 as follows: "Hear Oh Israel: Yahweh our Elohim (plural) is one (a unity) Yahweh." Or, "Hear Oh Israel, Yahweh is our Elohim, Yahweh is one."

Deuteronomy 6:4 provides another illustration of how a return to the original text (as closely as possible) provides very real answers, so that harmonizing all of the Scrip-

tures bearing upon doctrinal problems will present a solution.

The word “G-d” (singular) in this passage has been inserted into the English text to render the Hebrew term “Elohim” (plural). Standing here in the text is the construct plural of the word; hence, it proves the plurality (two persons) of the Majesty on High.

The astounding fact is that all of these Scriptures harmonize to support the truth of this doctrine. Yahweh is indeed one, a unity, although this Name was used by more than one being. Elohim is a collective noun, similar to the English words, “family,” “herd,” “flock,” “class,” or “school.” The Hebrew term “Elohim” is plural, similar to the English word “family,” and requires a singular verb, just like “family” does, but the implication is one of being plural in number.

Several members of a family comprise one unit, working under one family name. The family of powerful beings (called Elohim) become one in the family name of Yahweh, which reveals eternal life. Such is the true doctrine of the Majesty on High in the Bible. There are two members of the heavenly spiritual family—the Father and the Son. They are Elohim (plural), yet they cooperate as one, in unity and purpose, to accomplish their goals. The

one unique Name, the family Name, is Yahweh. See Ephesians 3:14-15. **“For this cause I bow my knees to the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.”**

The true people of the Most High today are called by that exclusive unique sacred Name. We are members of a functioning body called the Assemblies of Yahweh. We are gathered or called out of the nations (and ch-rches) of the world. We have come out of the confusion of this Babylonish system. We have made our exodus from ch-rchianity which is in turmoil and confusion through clinging to false doctrine. We are the Assemblies of Yahweh, called by His Name, as we do His will, unified through the Name which He has bestowed upon us. We are known by the family Name of the only True and Living Elohim—Yahweh.

The Holy Spirit

The term translated “Holy Spirit,” found in the Old Testament Hebrew text, is *ruach hakodesh*. In the New Testament Greek text it is rendered *pneuma hagion*.

Because of erroneous translations in the New Testament, which were done by translators who wanted to retain the false, pagan doctrine of

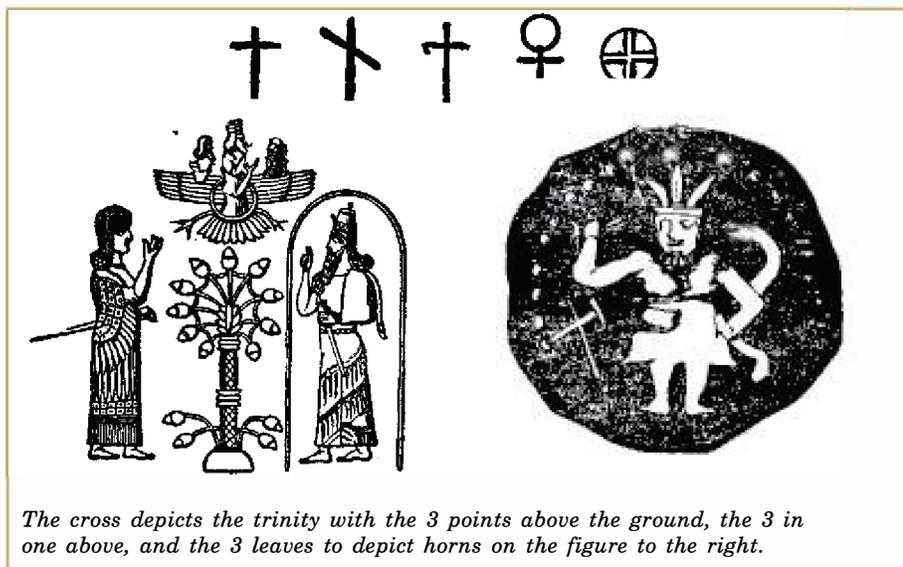
the Trinity, the truth of the Majesty on High has been tragically obscured. Today, that truth is again revealed by returning to the original texts which contain the truthful fundamentals of sound doctrine.

In the Old Testament, the word *ruach* cannot be construed as a person. **IT IS A FORCE! IT IS INVISIBLE!** As Yahshua the Messiah explained it in John 3:6-8, it is like wind, because it can be felt or experienced, but not seen. **IT IS INTELLIGENCE, MENTALITY, LIFE, FORCE.** It never portrays a person, however. It comprises all the attributes of Yahweh’s **PERSONALITY**, but **NOT HIS ACTUAL PERSON** dwelling in the hearts and lives of His True Worshipers. It reveals His power, His force.

The New Testament usage is similar because the term *pneuma hagion* means “power from on high.” It has been translated correctly in Luke 24:49. **“And behold, I send forth the promise of my Father upon you: but stay you in the city, until you be clothed with POWER FROM ON HIGH.”**

Where the masculine pronoun appears in the **King James Version** in relation to the Holy Spirit (for example John 14:26), the one who translated the book of John from the original Semitic tongue of the autographs, into Greek, merely continued the form of the standard Semitic verb. In the basic verbal system of the Hebrew language, conjugation incorporates the gender and number of the subject along with the tense into the same word.

Since the Holy Spirit is a dynamic spirit of power, it would have required a masculine verb. In the **Hebrew Lexicon** by William Holladay where he defines the word *ruach* (usually feminine in form), the author states that it is sometimes used with either the masculine or feminine gender verb or suffix. The Hebrew language does not con-



tain a neuter pronoun; therefore, neither does a neuter gender appear in any verb. All nouns are either masculine or feminine, but they are never expressed in the neuter gender. Therefore, the decision must be made in translation into English whether to employ a personal or a neuter pronoun. Since it is the Spirit of Yahweh Elohim, a powerful force (and also the proper noun Yahweh appears with a masculine pronoun and with masculine verbs), the obvious approach would be to employ a masculine pronoun and verb with the Holy Spirit.

When we understand this fact, so many of the controversial passages in the Scriptures are quite easily explained. It is very clear that the Holy Spirit is not a person, but a forceful, powerful personality. The Holy Spirit is not the Son, as we find in the pagan mythological families (father, mother, child), nor does the spirit family of Yahweh have a **mother** (except as the Holy City above represents a maternal concept, Galatians 4:26).

Rather, sound doctrine reveals that there is a spiritual Father in Heaven (called Yahweh) who brought all things into existence through the act of creation by His only begotten Son (Colossians 1:15-18). The Holy Spirit is the active, dynamic force of both Father and Son emanating from the heavens and coming to live as a personality bearing good fruits within the hearts of the converted human family. This force causes the True Worshipers to take on the spiritual personality and character of the heavenly family whose name is Yahweh. Notice also John 6:63. ***"It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh profits nothing: THE WORDS that I have spoken to you are spirit, and are life."*** Therefore, clearly expressed here is the fundamental truth that the spirit resides in the spoken Word of Yahweh!

Revealing Statements from Research Material

From the Kittel-Friedrich **Theological Dictionary of the New Testament**, Volume III, page 108, comes this revealing statement. "Perhaps the recollection of the many triads [trinities] of the surrounding polytheistic world contributed to the formation of these threefold formulae." A note (number 288) at the bottom of the page for further explanation reads, "Triadic formulae in the New Testament cover faith, love, and hope as well as the Father, Son, and Spirit. Triads were also favored in Judaism, and they were basically independent of the notion of divine triads." The Trinity is proven to be unscriptural!

Only Biblical Trinity

Apparently, the only place in the Bible where a trinity appears to be expressed in the text is related to the worship of Baal. 2 Kings 4:42 provides the citation, ***"And a man came from Baal-shalisha, and brought the man of Elohim bread of the first-fruits, twenty loaves of barley, and fresh ears of grain in his sack. And he said, Give to the people, that they may eat."*** The term *shalishah* means "three." Consequently, we find here a **TRINITARIAN BAAL!** Does the Christian trinity find its origin in Baal worship?

The idol Baal was depicted with symbols of a trinity. Since he was a mighty one [idol] who was influential in agriculture, the trinity of earth, sun, and water were worshiped by his adherents. Such is one of the antecedents for the Trinitarian belief. Please see the accompanying illustration of Baal.

The Truth of the Matter

In summary, we must conclude from the evidence that there is

a Father in heaven who exists in eternity. His Name is Yahweh. When He created His Son in eternity (before time existed), the Son began to use the Father's family name. He came in His Father's Name to represent the Most High by performing an earthly ministry. When He spoke to Israel as the Word, they assumed it was the Father speaking. When Yahshua the Messiah, Himself, declared that no one had ever seen or heard the Father, He meant that the only begotten Son in the bosom (beloved) of the Father had declared the Almighty Father to His people and humankind.

These two beings have a spirit, a mind, intelligence, force or power which is not person, but personality. This personality or attitude is bestowed upon obedient people and dwells within their hearts, encouraging them to develop sound moral character. Since the time it was first given to the Apostolic Assembly at the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4), the Holy Spirit has been freely given to those who obey Him (Acts 4:12), and qualify to enter into His Assembly. It comes in Yahshua's Name (John 14:26).

IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE IS NO TRINITY TAUGHT WITHIN THE PAGES OF THE BIBLE; rather there is a **DUALITY OF PERSONS** in the great Majesty on High—the Father and the Son—who have a powerful Spirit that, if encouraged, will influence the spiritual person to bear good fruit. This Holy Spirit has been given to the people of the Most High and leads them into paths of righteousness, until they are finally changed into Messiah's likeness at His Second Coming.

Have you received it? It is given only to those who obey the Covenant of Yahweh (Acts 5:32). May we assist you into a more personal relationship with our Father in heaven and His Son?