

#12 FORUM POST ON THE CREATION & THE TRINITY

Dear J____,

I agree with most of what you stated. Especially when you said "**there is only one creation of God the Father (John 1:14 / Hebrews 1:5 / Hebrews 10:5). The rest are creations of God the Son**" and "**he is not a descendant of the first Adam but is in fact the prototype of his own human race: population = Jesus**".

Christ is the beginning of the creation of God:

Rev 3:14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God.

God the Father created His son Jesus and then through Jesus, He created everything else. Jesus is the God of the Old Testament. It was Jesus who spoke to Moses from the burning bush. Jesus was the one who wrestled with Jacob. Jesus was the one who walked in the Garden with Adam.

When Christ's work is finished, all who died in Adam will be made alive in Christ. Then God the Father will be "all in all".

1 Cor 15:20-28 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the consummation, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

This creation that mankind is experiencing is how God the Father produces His offspring. In the end, all mankind will be sons of God by the work of Christ. Christ is the beginning and the end.

Rev 22:13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Christ is the first and only Son of God (first and last). When Christ has finished His work, all mankind will be "born again" and will be "in Christ". Because of this truth, we will share in His divine nature and status. This happens not because of man's "will" or work. It happens solely because it is the "will" of God for it to happen. Our salvation is because of His Grace (free gift) which is manifested in Christ. And because it is, Christ will do 100% of the work necessary to convert all mankind into new children of God the Father.

Eph 2:8-9 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

To convert us, Christ will come to each of us at a time of His choosing and give us the necessary

spiritual gifts. He comes to us because of Grace and not because we invite Him to come. In fact, Christ won't even ask us for permission to do His spiritual work within us. He simply does it. Once we receive His gifts, those gifts will cause us to repent of our own works, accept Christ as Lord and empower us to follow Him by Faith, knowing that He is the one who will accomplish our complete salvation. Mankind can contribute nothing.

What I have stated above is the Gospel of Christ. It is truly Good News for the world. Mankind's attempt to save themselves by their own works (called religion) will always result in failure. This is true because mankind only has the power to make ourselves appear righteous from the outside. We have no ability to change ourselves from within (spiritually). Mankind was made "spiritually flawed" from the beginning and no amount of man's works can correct that issue. Because of our spiritual flaw, we quickly become controlled by our flesh (carnal nature). And because we are carnally minded, we sin.

Eve displayed her carnal nature before she sinned.

Gen 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food (LUST OF THE FLESH), and that it was pleasant to the eyes (LUST OF THE EYES), and a tree to be desired to make one wise (PRIDE OF LIFE), she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Since God the Father is wanting to produce offspring, why did He create mankind in such a spiritually flawed way?

He did not do it by mistake. For mankind to be like God, we must have a knowledge of good and evil.

Gen 3:22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever:

What better way is there to teach good and evil to mankind than to make mankind experience evil? Once evil has run its course within mankind, Christ will come to each of us and spiritually change us into good. This is called conversion. The process of conversion judges our Old Vessel and completely destroys it. But from this destruction, Christ will make us into a New Vessel, as it seemed good from Him to make:

Jer 18:4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

When Christ came into the world in a body of flesh, He came spiritually perfect. As you pointed out, Christ is not from Adam. And because He was spiritually perfect, He never became carnally minded and therefore, never sinned. Once mankind is given the same spiritual perfection of the Holy Spirit, we will never sin again.

Through scripture, Christ has revealed His plan to save all mankind. In this age, Christ is only saving the First-Fruits of His harvest. They are blessed and have been chosen from the

foundation of the world. But in the next and final age (the Lake of Fire age), Christ will do His work within the rest of mankind. When the last person is converted, He will deliver up the Kingdom of Heaven to God the Father and God will be "all in all". Then it will be testified to be true that Christ is truly mankind's Savior:

1 Tim 2:3-6 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

Joe

Dear J____,

You said:

You supplied the word Father. It's not there.

Revelation 3:14 (AV)

14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

Who else could have created Jesus? The Father "of whom are all things" created Jesus.

1Cor 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.

There is ONE God, the Father from which all things come into existence. There is no trinity of persons who make up God. That belief is not demonstrable by either logic or scriptural proof.

Nowhere in scripture does it ever say that God is a trinity. Nowhere in scripture does it ever associate the number THREE with God. Also, God is never referred to as a person. He is not a person, He is Spirit. Also, the Holy Spirit is never called God. The Holy Spirit is referred to as the Spirit of God.

1Cor 3:16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

Furthermore, Jesus is mankind's Lord & God but He is and always be the Son of God the Father. The Father is greater than Jesus and that will never change, even after the ages come to an end:

1Cor 15:28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

God the Father put all things of this creation under Jesus. Jesus is mankind's creator, Lord, God and Savior because the Father made it to be that way. But Jesus is of lesser authority than the Father.

The story of Joseph in Genesis is a "type" for how Israel will be saved. Joseph is a "type" for Christ, Pharaoh is a "type" for the Father and Egypt is a "type" for this world. In that story, it says this:

Gen 41:40-43 Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt. And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand, and put it upon Joseph's hand, and arrayed him in vestures of fine linen, and put a gold chain about his neck; And he made him to ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he made him ruler over all the land of Egypt.

This story "types" when the Father placed all things of this world under Jesus. And as supported by the rest of scripture, only the throne of the Father will be greater in authority than Jesus.

You quoted:

Colossians 1:13–18 (AV)

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

16 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:

17 And **he is before all things, and by him all things consist.**

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 might have the preeminence.**

Jesus is the image of the Father because Jesus has the full measure of the Father's Spirit. Someday, all mankind will have that full measure, too. But when that day arrives, we will still only be Sons of God and will be of lesser authority than the Father.

Christ is "**before all things and by Him all things consist**" because the Father put all things under Him (1Cor 15:28).

You said:

Revelation 3:14 (NIV84)

14 "To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: **These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation.**

Jesus Christ was created in body only. His Spirit is God the Word (**John 1:1**). His Spirit was not created but is eternal as is the Father's Spirit.

Jesus was created in times past with a spiritual body long before He came to the earth in a physical body. In other words, Jesus' existence pre-dates this creation - but that does not mean that He has always existed as you assume.

The spirit which indwells Jesus is the Holy Spirit, and since the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of God the Father, the Spirit within Jesus was not created and is eternal. When all the ages come to an end, mankind, too, will have the full measure of the Father's Spirit indwelling us. But that does not mean we were not created and have always existed. Only the Spirit of God indwelling us has those characteristics.

Life comes from the Father's Spirit. The Father gave His Spirit to Christ so that Christ would have life in Himself. Christ, in turn, gives us the Father's Spirit, so that we also have life.

John 5:26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

2Cor 3:6 Who also hath made us able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life.

Look at it this way: you have a father and you are his son. Your father has authority over you. But you are not your father and never will be. You and your father are two separate souls. Someday, when your father and you have the full measure of the Holy Spirit, you will be "one" with each other, just as Christ and His Father are "one".

John 10:30 I and my Father are one.

John 17:11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are.

There is no trinity of Gods. There is only "ONE God, the Father, of whom are all things" (1Cor 8:6). "All things" include His Sons (Christ and mankind).

You said:

Isaiah 44:24 (AV)

24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, **I am the LORD that maketh all things**; that stretcheth forth the heavens **alone**; that spreadeth abroad the earth **by myself**;

God the Word (Jesus preincarnate) created all things in the beginning alone / by himself.

I must say, the more I cross swords with you, the more your theology sounds like that of the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society (Jehovah's Witnesses). I hope I am wrong about that.

Yes, Jesus is the God of the Old Testament and is mankind's creator. But His life, power and authority comes from His Father because His Father created Him and is of higher authority.

John 14:28 My Father is greater than I.

As for me associating with any church or sect, I do not. My understanding of the truth of Christ comes only from the scriptures by the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

All churches are made up of believers who have only received the Early Rain of the Spirit. Because of such, they are spiritually blind and cannot understand the truth of God. Only when Christ gives a chosen believer the Latter Rain of the Spirit is their spiritual blindness healed. Upon that event, they come out from Mystery Babylon the Great and begin, for the first time, feasting on the true Bread from heaven.

I received the Latter Rain of the Spirit on Oct. 8, 2005. My conversion testimony from that time is posted in my profile if you have any interest in reading it.

You said:

Joe, I'm sorry to say you have some seriously unbiblical theology to deal with.

I'm not going to specifically address your remaining points because I would just be repeating myself.

As for my theology, I used to believe much like you but once my spiritual blindness was healed, I quickly realized that every doctrine of Orthodox Christianity is false. Near the end of the Apostles ministries, grievous wolves entered into the sheepfold and did not spare the sheep. This happened because the spirit of anti-Christ came and infested the church. This event caused all Called Out, spiritually blind believers to eat Satan's leavened bread. Even to this day, Satan is still masquerading as Christ and is in full control of the earthly churches. Christ explained it this way:

Mat 12:43-45 When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest, and findeth none. 44 Then he saith, I will return into my house from whence I came out; and when he is come, he findeth it empty, swept, and garnished. 45 Then goeth he, and taketh with himself seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there: and the last state of that man is worse than the first. Even so shall it be also unto this wicked generation

Unclean spirits represent Satan's false truth. Since a new believer remains spiritually blind (**Mark 8:21-25**) after receiving the Early Rain of the Spirit, they cannot replace their worldly false beliefs with God's truth. One Unclean spirit leaves but comes back with SEVEN more (represents the spirit of anti-Christ) since our house remains void of God's truth. Now, instead of one unclean spirit within us, we now have EIGHT. The number EIGHT spiritually represents a new spiritual condition. In this case, our new spiritual condition is "worse than the first". Paul calls this worsened spiritual condition the Man of Sin.

After the new believer devolves into a Man of Sin, their deadly head wound that came from the sword of Christ at the time of the Early Rain is healed. The blow by the Sword of Christ was intended to permanently slay their carnal nature (Old man) but because of their spiritual blindness and Satan's deceptions, the deadly wound is healed and their Old Man is revived.

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

As a result, they are still represented by the Seven-Headed Beast of Revelation chapter 13. In case you are unaware, the Seven Headed Beast is a symbol for mankind in our spiritually flawed and carnally minded condition. After our deadly head wound is healed, we have truly Fallen Away and become a Man of Sin who follows the ways of Satan instead of Christ. We are trying to serve two masters. This is the one and only sin (works) that leads to our spiritual death (**1John 5:16**). From this death, we cannot be renewed by repentance (**Heb 6:4-6**). It is for this reason that Christ must come to us a second time if we are going to be saved in this age. When He comes, Christ brings the Latter Rain of the Spirit (Baptism of the Holy Spirit). This is the same baptism that the Apostles received on the Day of Pentecost and what Paul received after being in Damascus for three days.

The Doctrine of Free Will is the most common belief that causes a Called Out believer to Fall Away. They use this false belief system to justify why unbelievers are worthy of "hell" and why they are not. They falsely believe that they must be wiser or smarter or simply less evil than those who reject Christ. And because of this belief, they take credit for making the right choice to accept Christ. But in truth, the credit is not theirs. It was Christ's work within them that caused them to accept Jesus as Lord. Mankind, in our spiritually flawed and carnally minded condition we have from birth, no man will even seek to know God (**Rom 3:10-11, Rom 8:7**), much less accept Him as Lord.

Scripture clearly says that unless Christ gives us the Holy Spirit, we cannot call Him Lord.

1 Cor 12:3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Spirit.

Only after Christ comes to us and gives us the Early Rain of the Spirit can anyone call Jesus Lord. Paul's Damascus Road experience is a portion of the pattern (**1Tim 1:16**) whereby we all must follow to be called out from the world. Christ came to Paul on the Damascus Road, uninvited by Paul, and gave Paul the Early Rain of the Spirit. Paul had no choice in the matter as to whether to accept the Spirit or to reject the Spirit. The Spirit was given to Him and after it was, Paul fell to his knees and called Jesus Lord.

After a Called Out believer has Fallen Away and is no longer saved, Christ must come to them a second time with the Latter Rain of the Spirit (Baptism of the Holy Spirit). If He doesn't, they will die in their sins and receive their portion with the unbelievers (**Luke 12:46**). If the Called Out believer is one of the "few" (**Mat 22:14**) and has been chosen from the foundation of the world, Christ will come to them a second time. And when He comes, He brings salvation with Him.

Heb 9:28 So Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

Christ appeared the first time in the flesh and took away the sins of the world on the cross. When He comes to an unbeliever with the Early Rain, He does not appear to them but remains hidden (veiled) from their understanding. The Early Rain event is not an appearance, it is a visitation.

When Christ comes to a Called Out believer with the Latter Rain, He appears to them at this time. When He comes, He fully heals their spiritual blindness and the Light of His appearing will destroy the Man of Sin whom they have become. It is at this point when the new child of God is born.

Joe

Dear J____,

Here is the correct translation of the verse you quoted:

Micah 5:2 But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, are only a small village among all the people of Judah. Yet a ruler of Israel will come from you, one whose origins are from the distant past.

The Hebrew word that the KJV translates as "everlasting" is "yom" and it NEVER means everlasting.

The definition of Yom is: from an unused root meaning to be hot; a day (as the warm hours), whether literal (from sunrise to sunset, or from one sunset to the next), or figurative (a space of time defined by an associated term), (often used adverb):—age, always, chronicals, continually(-ance), daily, ((birth-), each, to) day, (now a, two) days (agone), elder, × end, evening, (for) ever(-lasting, -more), × full, life, as (so) long as (... live), (even) now, old, outlived, perpetually, presently, remaineth, × required, season, × since, space, then, (process of) time, as at other times, in trouble, weather, (as) when, (a, the, within a) while (that), × whole (age), (full) year(-ly), younger.

At the time the scriptures were written, there were no single Hebrew or Greek words that meant everlasting or forever. Anytime you see that translation in scripture, it should be rejected.

There is only one God who is above all things and from which all things come. Christ is the Son of God, just as all mankind will be Sons of God someday.

Christ is mankind's God, Father, Lord and Savior because He comes to us in the name of His Father. Jesus has the full authority of the Father and represents Him. BUT Jesus is still subordinate to the Father and always will be.

The verses I quoted below contradict the teaching of the trinity doctrine. The evidence is overwhelming. If you are ever going to see the truth, you must put aside your preconceived bias that comes from this world and from the spiritually blind leaders of the church.

John 5:36 But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

John 10:29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

John 13:16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

John 14:28 Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come [again] unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.

Rom 1:7 To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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

1Cor 1:3 Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

1Cor 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.

1Cor 15:24-28 Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

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

2Cor 6:18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

2Cor 11:31 The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

Gal 1:1 Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead

Gal 1:4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

Eph 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Eph 1:17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

Eph 4:4-6 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

Col 1:19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

Col 3:17 And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.

2Thes 1:2 Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Heb 5:8-10 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him; Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

1John 1:3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.

1John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

1John 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

2John 1:3 Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

Rev 3:14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

Rev 3:21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Joe

Dear FaithWillDo,

By the way...

Certain folks haunt these forums to attempt to air their unbiblical beliefs (such as anti-trinitarianism).

I have argued with these types for years and years. It matters not how much biblical proof you supply them, they will never change their beliefs.

So, my ignoring them has two purposes:
trying to stay on track topically in this thread

1. not wasting time following down their rabbit trail arguments

There ARE biblical answers to their endless attempts to prove the Bible wrong and their belief system right... I just no longer waste my time with those who do not seek actual truth. And if I did it would be in the appropriate apologetics thread and not here where they are actually trolling.

Dear J____,

Your thread is about the nature of the Godhead as it relates to Christ and Adam. You responded to my post specifically about the trinity doctrine. I did not "troll" you.

I have provided many, many verses that contradict the Doctrine of the Trinity. You are the one who is trying "to prove the bible wrong".

Scripture is the Word of God and its truth will stand for all time. God created mankind spiritually marred and because of such, mankind quickly became carnally minded. Eve even demonstrated her carnal mind before she sinned.

Gen 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food (LUST OF THE FLESH), and that it was pleasant to the eyes (LUST OF THE EYES), and a tree to be desired to make one wise (PRIDE OF LIFE), she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Since all mankind has a carnal mind, mankind CANNOT understand God, no matter how much studying a person does.

Rom 3:10-11 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one: There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

Spiritual understanding of scripture is the only way one can receive the truth and that understanding is a gift from Christ. He only gives this gift to those He has chosen from the foundation of the world and He gives it to them at the time of the Latter Rain. You seem to think that anyone should be able to understand God's Word if they would simply study enough and use logic and reason. But this is not so. Only a child of God can understand scripture. Mankind will never understand it. For that reason, Christ must come to us first, without our asking or permission, and do His work within us. Without His work, we cannot understand God's Word or be saved. Our salvation is 100% the work of Christ and He chooses when He will save each of us. We have no say in the matter.

My purpose on the forum is to find and teach believers who are in the process of receiving the Latter Rain or who have recently received it. They are new babes in Christ who still need teachers. They are "few" in number and for that reason, most believers on this forum will reject what I teach. But for the sake of the Elect, I continue to search for them on this forum.

Don't misunderstand me. I am NOT saying that you are not one of God's Elect. God's Elect will be spiritually no different than any other believer shortly after they receive the Early Rain. They will be deceived by Satan and will fall away. While under Satan's influence, they will devolve into a Man of Sin who approaches Christ by a mixture of faith and works. They will remain in this darkened spiritual state until Christ comes to them a second time to give them the Latter

Rain. This event will happen to them "suddenly" and can come at any time after they have spiritually become a Man of Sin.

If you have been chosen from the foundation of the world, the Latter Rain will fall on you someday before you physically die. When it does, it will turn your world upside down and the truth of scripture will open up to you. At that time, there will be earthquakes, lightning, thunder and trumpets (spiritually speaking). The sun will be darkened and the moon will turn to blood. In other words, you will no longer receive the light of this world but will receive your light (truth) directly from Christ.

Paul described the Latter Rain event in **2Thes 2:1-8** and Peter described it in **2Pet 3:3-13**. Of course, Paul and Peter describe this event in spiritual language so that its meaning will remain hidden from all but those who have received the Latter Rain. The Latter Rain is the second coming of Christ. It is a spiritual event to the individual and not a visible one-time coming to this world at some future date.

If ever you experience the Latter Rain, I will be willing to share with you all the joy and knowledge that Christ has given me through scripture.

Joe

Dear D____,

No matter how long a believer studies scripture, it is of little value without "eyes that can see". "Eyes" means to have the ability to understand scripture. Without that ability, the Word of God (Christ) will remain concealed. All Early Rain believers are spiritually blind. Only when a Chosen believer has received the Latter Rain will their spiritual blindness be healed by Christ. Without that healing, a believer will only see Christ in the flesh (with the carnal mind). But once Christ heals a believer's spiritual blindness, they will "see" Christ (Truth) with the Mind of Christ and the truth of scripture will open up to them.

As for aion and aionios, the verses you quoted all should be translated as ages or age-enduring. The teachings of Christ apply to the ages. Nothing is taught in scripture before or after the ages. The Elect have life during the ages. The rest of mankind will only have life at the end of the ages. Christ reigns only during the ages. His priesthood is only during the ages. Judgment is only during the ages.

When scripture wants to express something as being forever, it will say "has no end", "never dies" or "immortality" or words to that effect.

Here is an example:

John 11:26 and everyone who lives and believes on me shall never die. Believest thou this?

Rom 2:7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

In the last verse above, why would scripture say an Elect believer has "immortality" and then repeat it as "eternal life"? It makes no sense. The reason two different Greek words (aphtharsia &

aionios) are used in the verse is because they express something different. Once an Elect believer is saved, they have immortality and life during the ages.

Aionios is the adjective form of aion which means "age".

Here is how the verse should read when "aionios" is properly translated:

Rom 2:7 to those, indeed, who in continuance of a good work, do seek glory, and honour, and immortality -- life age-during;

Look at this verse below which uses the Greek word "aion":

Rev 11:15 And the seventh messenger trumpets. And loud voices occurred in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of this world became our Lord's and His Christ's, and He shall reign for ever and ever. Amen!

However, Paul says that Christ reigns ONLY for the ages and NOT "forever and ever" as **Rev 11:15** says.

1Cor 15:21-26 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the consummation, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

Once all who are "in Adam" are made alive "in Christ", the ages, along with the reign of Christ, will come to an end.

Rev 11:15 should be translated as "for the ages of the ages" otherwise there is an obvious contradiction in scripture.

Judgment is also only during the ages and it comes to an end when it's desired purpose has been satisfied:

Luke 12:59 I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny."

The "last penny" is referring to the complete destruction of our carnal nature. All mankind will be given a new spiritual nature which requires that our old carnal nature be destroyed. This is one of the purposes of judgment. Once our carnal nature is destroyed, the "last penny" is paid.

Christ says it this way, too:

Mat 21:44 And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.

After an unbeliever receives the Early Rain of the Spirit, they will fall on the Stone and be "broken" (meaning to fall away and lose their salvation). This happens to both chosen and non-chosen believers. After they fall on the stone, the Old Man (carnality) will continue to live:

Rev 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Concerning the Chosen believers, they will later receive the Latter Rain. At the time of the Latter Rain, the Stone will fall on them and they will be ground to powder (carnal nature judged and destroyed). Their Old Man will permanently die.

Without a correct understanding of the overall truth of God, a believer cannot put the pieces of scripture together in an accurate way. Christ made scripture this way on purpose so as to keep His truth concealed from all but those He has chosen to reveal it:

Isa 28: 10-12 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: 11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. 12 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

The "another tongue" is Christ's spiritual language. He teaches in this language "a little here and a little there". He teaches this way to conceal His truth from this world and from believers who have not received the Latter Rain of the Spirit. Since everyone must "live by every word" (**Mat 4:4**), all believers (including the Elect) will experience falling on the Stone so that they are "broken, and snared, and taken". Everyone will Fall Away and start mixing Works with Faith. Works is what Satan teaches as truth and Faith is what Christ teaches as truth. All believers will experience trying to serve these two masters but it will fail and they will all "be broken".

I received the Latter Rain on Oct 8th, 2005. My testimony from that time is posted in my profile. I have spent the last 16 years re-learning the truth of Christ because none of the mainstream doctrines which I had been taught are true. The church is still controlled by the wolves who entered the church near the end of the Apostles ministries. Satan masquerades as Christ in the churches and deceives the spiritually blind believers by the spirit of anti-Christ. Those believers are being fed a steady diet of stones and leavened bread. They are truly places where the "blind lead the blind". Because of this truth, nearly 2000 different church denominations/sects have been created - with all of them teaching their own version of the truth.

After my spiritual blindness was healed back in 2005, I quickly saw how aion and aionios fit perfectly with the overall body of scripture when they are translated as "age" or "age enduring". But for those who remain spiritually blind, they need aion and anionios to be translated as "forever" or "everlasting" to help support their carnal understanding of scripture.

Joe

Dear D____,
You said:

John 3:15-16

15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

In these two verses Jesus defines "aionios" as meaning, eternal, everlasting by paralleling it with "should not perish," twice. If something is repeated in scripture it is important. Nowhere does Jesus state or imply that these two statements are spiritual and do not mean exactly what they say.

Your worldly "bias" is causing you to understand the verse as you do. Life during the ages is the blessing and the promise that the "heirs" (First-Fruits, Elect) receive. All mankind will receive "life" but only the heirs will receive life during this age and the final age. The truth of scripture is written for them. To all others, the truth of scripture is concealed.

Look at this verse:

Mat 25:46 And these shall go away into age-during punishment: but the righteous into age-during.

Punishment (judgment) only lasts until Christ's loving and merciful purpose is satisfied.

Isa 1:27 Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.

Isa 26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

1Cor 3:13-15 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

Once the "last penny" is paid, judgment ends. The Elect are being judged in this present age:

1Pe 4:17 For it is the ripe time for the judgment to begin with the house of God; but, if first with us, what shall be the end of them who yield not unto the glad-message of God?

If the Doctrine of Hell were true, Christ would have stated so to the "chief priests and elders" to whom He spoke with in the verse below:

Matt 21:31 Which of the two was obeying his father?" They replied, "The first, of course." Then Jesus explained his meaning: "I assure you, corrupt tax collectors and prostitutes will get into the Kingdom of God before you do.

But because of the work of Christ, mankind's salvation is a 100% certainty. Only the timing of each person's salvation will vary. These "chief priests and elders" will be some of the last to be saved but they will be saved. Christ is only saving the chosen Elect in this age. They are the First-Fruits of His harvest of mankind. In the next and final age, the remaining Gentiles will then

be saved. Once their fullness has come in, the Nation of Israel will then be saved, including these chief priests and elders who were responsible for crucifying Christ.

If the Doctrine of Hell were true, why did Christ say that the chief priests and elders would be saved?

This is why:

Phi 2:10-11 That at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue shall confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Acts 3:20-21 And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

1 Tim 2:3-6 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

Christ's judgment is for mankind's benefit. Without judgment, no one would be saved. Our carnal nature must be destroyed so that we stop sinning. Once it is destroyed by judgment, all that will remain is our new nature of the Holy Spirit which never sins.

Job 34:12 Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty pervert judgment.

Prov 28:5 Evil men understand not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.

Christ's judgment is not like evil mankind's perverted judgment. Christ loves all mankind and will do what is necessary to make us all righteous and holy. He uses judgment for that purpose. In the end, Christ will accomplish the mission the Father gave Him:

1John 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

Why do you and the mainstream teachers believe that Christ is going to utterly fail in the mission the Father gave Him?

Don't you know that God never fails at anything?

Isa 46:10-11 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.

Isa 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

Dan 4:35 And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; and he doeth according to his will in the army of the heavens, and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

You said:

Yes there are things in the Bible that are spiritual but everything in the Bible is not hidden behind spiritual language.

According to scripture God and the Lamb reign for the same length of time.

Revelation 22:3-5

3 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

4 And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

5 And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they [God and the Lamb] shall reign for ever and ever.

All teaching in scripture is given to us in Christ's spiritual language. Even the events of the Old Testament carry a spiritual message to the Elect.

Rev 22:3-5 is speaking in Christ's spiritual language using physical symbols which represent spiritual truths. The New Jerusalem represents the Elect, the First-Fruits. They are displayed to the lost who are in the Lake of Fire:

Eph 2:7 that he might display in the coming ages the surpassing riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

The reason the throne of God and the Lamb are present is because this occurs "during the ages" when Christ is still reigning. But once all mankind is saved and the ages have come to an end, Christ will deliver up the Kingdom of Heaven to the Father and Christ's reign will come to an end:

1 Cor 15:20-28 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the consummation, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

God the Father will then be "all in all" because all mankind is saved. No one will be left out of the Kingdom of Heaven. However, only the Elect will receive "life" during the ages. That is their blessing.

You said:

Let us note that your superior spiritual discernment led you to believe that the word translated "eternal" in the OT is "yom."

There are two words translated "eternal" in the OT "olam" and "ad." I don't think I can buy into your "spiritual discernment."

There are no Hebrew words that should be translated as "eternal". Here is what I said in reference to the verse below:

"The Hebrew word that the KJV translates as "everlasting" is "yom" and it NEVER means "everlasting".

Micah 5:2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting (Yom).

Also, spiritual discernment means to understand the spiritual language of scripture. It does not include any human mistakes that I or anyone might make in making a post on a forum.

Here is an example of spiritual discernment:

Mat 26:52 Then said Jesus unto him, Put up again thy sword into his place: for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.

Does Christ really mean that if you use a sword to kill others, then you must likewise be killed with a sword? Literally, that is what He is saying. So if we are to understand it literally, then that statement can easily be proven to be false. There are countless examples of people who have used violence to kill others but then do not die from that same type of violence - it almost goes without saying. So is Christ mistaken or is His message something else?

Since Christ's words are spirit, His message must be spiritually understood. Christ's spiritual message is quite different from what He is literally saying.

In **Matt 26:52**, Christ is using a spiritual "symbol" to give us His spiritual message. Here Christ uses the symbol of a Sword. To understand what that symbol means, we must look at how it is used elsewhere in scripture – we must compare spiritual with spiritual.

Eph 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword...

Rev 1:16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword...

From this example, it is easy to understand that a Sword represents the Word of God. So Christ's hidden spiritual point He is making in **Matt 26:52** is that all who take up the Word of God (those who are "called out"), must perish (death of the carnal nature) by the Word of God.

Joe

Dear T____,

I agree with your post. I am certain the Doctrine of the Trinity is false and I certainly don't believe that Jesus is God the Father. They are separate but spiritually "one", just as mankind (once converted) will also be "one" with the Father. This happens because God the Father's Spirit which was given in full measure to Christ, is in turn, given to mankind by Christ. Once this conversion event happens within mankind, we become children of God.

As far as the nature of the Godhead, God the Father is supreme and from Him all things exist, including Christ. The difference I have been having with O____ is that I believe Christ is mankind's God, not because He is the Father, but because the Father made Christ to be our God. Every part of this creation was done by the Father THROUGH Jesus. All interaction with mankind is by Jesus. He is our creator, Father, God and Savior. But this is only true because God the Father gave Jesus that authority and glory. Once everything is complete and all mankind is "in Christ", Christ will deliver up the Kingdom of Heaven to the Father and God will be "all in all". Christ's reign over this creation will come to an end because the work the Father gave Him to do is fully accomplished. At that point, all mankind will be made into children of God the Father. Eternity then starts.

The bottom line is Jesus is mankind's God because His God (God the Father) made Him to be our God. Just as God the Father made Satan to be the god of this carnal world. The term "god" is a title. Those who live in this world, follow Satan (unknowingly for the most part) and His ways. Because they do, scripture calls them his children (children of the devil). But once we are saved by Christ, Christ becomes our God and Father because He birthed us (caused us to be born again as children of God). But all these things happen by the direction of the supreme God; God the Father and it is He who Christ fully represents.

Joe