

The Doctrine of the Trinity In The Bible

God is One in the Old Testament

Deuteronomy 4:39 ³⁹Therefore know this day, and consider it in your heart, that the Lord Himself is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

Deuteronomy 6:4 ⁴“Hear, O Israel: The LORD (Yâhovah) our God (’elohiym) the LORD (Yâhovah) is one!”

Isaiah 43:10-11 ¹⁰“You are My witnesses,” says the Lord, “And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me. ¹¹I, even I, am the Lord, And besides Me there is no savior.”

God is Plural in the Old Testament

Genesis 1:26 ²⁶Then God (’elohiym) said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

Genesis 3:22 ²²Then the LORD God (’elohiym) said, “Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever”—

Genesis 11:7 ⁷Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another’s speech.”

Jesus and God are One

Isaiah 9:6 ⁶For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Isaiah 7:14 ¹⁴Therefore the LORD Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.

Matthew 1:23 ²³“Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.”

John 1:1& 14 ¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.... ¹⁴And the Word became 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.

John 5:18 ¹⁸Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.

John 8:58 ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM.**”

John 10:30 ³⁰I and My Father are one.”

John 12:44-45 ⁴⁴Then Jesus cried out and said, “He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me. ⁴⁵And he who sees Me sees Him who sent Me.”

John 14:7-11 ⁷“If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him.” ⁸Philip said to Him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works. ¹¹Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me, or else believe Me for the sake of the works themselves.

John 20:28-29 ²⁸And Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

2 Corinthians 4:4 ⁴whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

Hebrews 1:1-3 ¹God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, ²has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; ³who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Hebrews 1:8-9 ⁸But to the Son He says: “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. ⁹You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.”

Philippians 2:5-6 ⁵Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God,

Colossians 1:15 ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

Titus 1:3 ³but has in due time manifested His word through preaching, which was committed to me according to the commandment of God our Savior;

Titus 1:4 ⁴To Titus, a true son in our common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

Titus 2:10 ¹⁰not pilfering, but showing all good fidelity, that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things.

Titus 2:13 ¹³looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ

God and the Holy Spirit are One

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.”

Matthew 1:18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 1:20 But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 5:3-4 But Peter said, “Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself? While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God.”

2 Corinthians 3:17 ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty.

Jesus and the Holy Spirit are One

Revelation 2:1 & 7 “To the angel of the church of Ephesus write, ‘These things says He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands (Jesus)...⁷ “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.

Revelation 2:8 & 11 ⁸“And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write, ‘These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life (Jesus)...¹¹“He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the second death.” ’

Revelation 2:12 & 17

Revelation 2:18 & 29

Revelation 3:1 & 6

Revelation 3:7 & 13

Revelation 3:14 & 22

God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are One

Colossians 2:9 ⁹For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;

1 Timothy 3:16 ¹⁶And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh (Jesus), Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.

1 John 5:7-8 ⁷For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. ⁸And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

Psalms 31:5 ⁵Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

John 14:6 ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 16:13 ¹³However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

The Three are Separate

Matthew 3:16-17 When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice *came* from heaven (God), saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Matthew 4:1 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Romans 1:1-4 ¹Paul, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated to the gospel of God ²which He promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures, ³concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, ⁴and declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

The Ministry of the Trinity

John 14:16 ¹⁶And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

John 14:26 (Jesus said) ²⁶But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

Ephesians 2:18 ¹⁸For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 ⁴There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.

2 Corinthians 13:14 ¹⁴The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

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Titus 3:4-7 ⁴But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

1 Peter 1:2 ²elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

Jude 20-21 ²⁰But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Conclusion

1. There is one God
2. God is three persons (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

3. Both are true, not in conflict, nor mutually exclusive of each other.
4. The reality of the Trinity does not equate to unbiblical polytheism. (That because God is three separate personages, there are therefore more or many gods.)