

Father, Son and Holy Spirit

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There are many churches and Christians today who worship the trinity god, because they believe Matthew 28:19 and 1 John 5:7 are speaking of three co-equal and co-eternal beings. But what they all fail to do is actually use the Bible to interpret these two verses. We are told in Isaiah 28 that we are to use the "line upon line" precept when studying the Bible. Which means we are to interpret scripture with scripture, and not with what we "think" something means. So this is what we are going to do on this page regarding Matthew 28:19 and 1 John 5:7. Instead of just "thinking" ourselves what those verses mean, we are going to use scripture to properly interpret them. Let us start with those two Bible verses in question:

*Matthew 28:19 ...'Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of **the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.**'*

*1 John 5:7 ...'For there are three that bear record in heaven, **the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.**'*

So let us find out who these 'three' are. I am merely going to provide many scripture verses and then make a small comment at the end of each section.

The Father

John 17:1-3 ...'These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, **Father**, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. And this is life eternal, that they might know **thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.**'

John 20:17 ...'Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to **my God, and your God.**'

1 Corinthians 8:4-6 ...'As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) 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.'

Matthew 11:25 ...'At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.'

John 4:22-24 ...'Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the

Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. **God** is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.'

John 8:54 ...'Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that **he is your God**.'

John 14:1 ...'Let not your heart be troubled: **ye believe in God, believe also in me**. In **my Father's** house are many mansions.'

Acts 3:13 ...'**The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers**, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.'

Acts 4:24-27 ...'And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to **God** with one accord, and said, **Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is**: Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ. For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed.'

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

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

Romans 1:7-9 ...'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**. First, I thank **my God through Jesus Christ** for you all, that your faith is spoken of throughout the whole world. For **God** is my witness, whom I serve with? my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers.'

Ephesians 1:2-3 ...'Grace be to you, and peace, from **God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ**. Blessed be the **God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ.'

Ephesians 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.'

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

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13 ...'Now **God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ**, direct our way unto you. And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you: To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before **God, even our Father**, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.'

Philippians 2:11 ...'And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of **God the Father**.'

1 John 5:20 ...'And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know **him that is true**, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. **This is the true God**, and eternal life.'

So as we can see, when using the rest of scripture, that "THE FATHER" is none other than the 'one and only true God' Himself. And He is not just our God and Father, He is also the God and Father of Jesus Christ. So who is the Father? **He is the one true God**.

Please see our page [THE ONE TRUE GOD IN THE 3 ANGELS MESSAGE](#) for more on God the Father.

The Son/Word

John 20:31 ...'But these are written, that ye might believe that **Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God**; and that believing ye might have life through his name.'

Matthew 16:15-17 ...'He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art **the Christ, the Son of the living God**. And **Jesus** answered and said unto him, blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but **my Father** which is in heaven.'

John 1:14 ...'And **the Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the **only begotten of the Father**,) full of grace and truth.'

Matthew 17:5 ...'While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, **this is my beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.'

Mark 1:1 ...'The beginning of the gospel of **Jesus Christ, the Son of God**.'

Mark 3:11 ...'And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, **thou art the Son of God**.'

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

John 3:16-18 ...'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. For **God** sent not **his Son** into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of **the only begotten Son of God**.'

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

John 5:43 ...'I am come **in my Father's name**, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.'

John 6:68-69 ...'Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, **the Son of the living God.**'

John 10:36 ...'Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, thou blasphemest; because **I said, I am the Son of God?**'

John 11:27 ...'She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art **the Christ, the Son of God**, which should come into the world.'

John 17:1 ...'These words spake **Jesus**, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, **Father**, the hour is come; glorify **thy Son**, that thy Son also may glorify thee.'

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Acts 3:13 ...'The **God of Abraham**, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the **God of our fathers**, hath glorified **his Son Jesus**; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.'

Acts 9:19-20 ...'Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that **he is the Son of God.**'

Romans 1:9 ...'For **God** is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of **his Son**, that without ceasing I make mention of you always in my prayers.'

Romans 8:3 ...'For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, **God sending his own Son** in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.'

Galatians 4:4 ...'But when the fulness of the time was come, **God sent forth his Son**, made of a woman, made under the law.'

Galatians 4:6 ...'And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.'

Colossians 1:13-15 ...'Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of **his dear Son**: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature.'

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

Hebrews 1:1-5 ...'God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by **his Son**, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his

power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high: Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, **thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee?** And again, **I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?**'

Hebrews 4:14 ...'Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, **Jesus the Son of God**, let us hold fast our profession.'

Hebrews 5:5 ...'So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, **thou art my Son, to day have I begotten thee.**'

1 John 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.**'

1 John 3:8 ...'He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose **the Son of God** was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.'

1 John 4:9 ...'In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that **God sent his only begotten Son** into the world, that we might live through him.'

1 John 4:15 ...'Whosoever shall confess that **Jesus is the Son of God**, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.'

1 John 5:20 ...'And we know that **the Son of God** is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in **his Son Jesus Christ**. This is the true God, and eternal life.'

2 John 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.'

Psalms 2:7 ...'I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, **thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.**'

Proverbs 8:22-30 ...'The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, **I was brought forth**; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills **was I brought forth**: While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, **as one brought up with him**: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him.' (NOTE: 1 Corinthians 1:24 confirms that Christ is 'the wisdom of God')

Proverbs 30:4 ...'Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and **what is his son's name**, if thou canst tell?'

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.'

John 16:27-29 ...'For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that **I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, AND am come into the world**: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.'

John 17:7-8 ...'Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee. For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that **I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me**.'

So it is clear that "THE SON" is Jesus Christ, and He is the literal, only begotten Son of God the Father, who is the one true God. Jesus is not the one true God Himself, or the so called 'second person of the trinity'. He is the literal Son of God the Father, who was begotten of the Father in eternity past, as a true Son. This is why the Bible says that God 'SENT' His Son.

Please see our page [IS JESUS THE LITERAL SON OF GOD?](#) for more on the Son.

The Holy Spirit

Acts 2:32-33 ...'This **Jesus** hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and **having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost**, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.'

Luke 24:49 ...'And, behold, **I send the promise of my Father upon you**: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with **power from on high**.'

John 3:34-35 ...'For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for **God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him**. The Father loveth the Son, and hath **given all things into his hand**.'

John 7:37-39 ...'In the last day, that great day of the feast, **Jesus** stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, **let him come unto me, and drink**. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of **the Spirit**, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that **Jesus was not yet glorified**.)'

John 20:21-22 ...'Then said **Jesus** to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, **he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost**.'

Romans 8:9-10 ...'But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the **Spirit of Christ**, he is none of his. And if **Christ be in you**, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.'

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

Galatians 4:6 ...'And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth **the Spirit of his Son** into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.'

Philippians 1:19 ...'For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of **the Spirit of Jesus Christ**.'

Titus 3:4-6 ...'But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of **the Holy Ghost; Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour**.'

Revelation 5:6 ...'And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood **a Lamb** as it had been slain, **HAVING** seven horns and seven eyes, **WHICH ARE the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth**.'

So the Bible tells us that "THE HOLY SPIRIT" is the Father's own divine Spirit, which He has given to His Son Jesus, and comes to us through Christ, NOT some other 'third being'. Jesus is the one with the Holy Spirit to give us.

So who are the 'three' in Matthew 28:19 and 1 John 5:7? They are God the Father, who is the 'only true God'. Jesus Christ, who is the literal, only begotten Son of God the Father. And the Holy Spirit, which is the Spirit of Christ, which He has received from His Father. Jesus Christ comes to us HIMSELF as the Holy Spirit (John 14:18, Revelation 3:20, Colossians 1:27, Galatians 2:20), not some other unknown 'third being'. This is the truth concerning Matthew 28:19 and 1 John 5:7.