

# ELLEN WHITE QUOTES ON THE 'GODHEAD'

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This page has been created to be a go-to page for Ellen White quotes regarding the one true God, His Son and the Holy Spirit. You will clearly see that Ellen White believed there are only TWO beings in the 'Godhead', the Father and Son, and that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ, which He received from the Father, NOT a so called 'third being' as the false trinity teaching says. Feel free to let us know of any other quotes that can be added to this page.

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*"We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and his teaching in our past history." (E.White, Review and Herald, Oct.12, 1905)*

## Ellen White: The Father is the One True God

*"A knowledge of God is the foundation of all true education and of all true service. It is THE ONLY REAL SAFEGUARD against temptation. It is THIS ALONE that can make us like God in character. This is THE KNOWLEDGE NEEDED BY ALL who are working for the uplifting of their fellow men. Transformation of character, purity of life, efficiency in service, adherence to correct principles, ALL DEPEND UPON A RIGHT KNOWLEDGE OF GOD. This knowledge is THE ESSENTIAL PREPARATION BOTH FOR this life and for the life to come. The KNOWLEDGE OF THE HOLY is understanding. Proverbs 9:10. Through a KNOWLEDGE OF HIM are given unto us 'all things that pertain unto life and godliness.' 2 Peter 1:3. 'This is life eternal,' SAID JESUS, 'that they might KNOW THEE THE ONLY TRUE GOD, AND JESUS CHRIST, whom THOU hast sent.' John 17:3." (E.White, Ministry of Healing, 1905, pp. 409-410)*

*"Our heavenly Father is the God of the universe, and Christ is the divine Son, the One equal with the Father." (Ms49 - April 14, 1906, pgr.26)*

*"Make the word of the living God your lessonbook. If this had always been done, students lost to the cause of God would now be missionaries. Jehovah is the only true God, and HE is to be revered and worshiped." (E.White, Testimonies for the Church, Vol.6, p.166)*

*"There is no place for gods in the heaven above. God is the only true God. He fills all heaven. Those who now submit to his will shall see his face; and his name will be in the foreheads of all who are pure and holy." (E.White, 1888 Materials, p.1634) - (NOTE: **READ REVELATION 14:1**)*

*"But Christ raised His hand, saying, Detain 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' And Mary went her way to the disciples with the joyful message. Jesus refused to receive the homage of His people until He had the assurance that His*

*sacrifice was accepted by **the Father**. He ascended to the heavenly courts, and from **God Himself** heard the assurance that His atonement for the sins of men had been ample, that through His blood all might gain eternal life." (E.White, Desire of Ages, p.790)*

*"I beheld,' says the prophet Daniel, 'till thrones were placed, and **One that was Ancient of Days** did sit: His raiment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool; His throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him: thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened ... **The Ancient of Days is God the Father**. Says the psalmist: 'Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, **Thou art God**.' Psalm 90:2. It is He, the source of all being, and the fountain of all law, that is to preside in the judgment ... And, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him ... The coming of Christ here described is not His second coming to the earth. He comes to the Ancient of Days in heaven ... Attended by heavenly angels, our great High Priest enters the holy of holies and there appears in the presence of God." (E.White, Great Controversy, p.479)*

*"Read the book of Daniel. Call up, point by point, the history of the kingdoms there represented. Behold statesmen, councils, powerful armies, and see how God wrought to abase the pride of men, and lay human glory in the dust. **God alone** is represented as great. In the vision of the prophet **He** is seen casting down one mighty ruler and setting up another. **He is revealed as the monarch of the universe**, about to set up **His** everlasting kingdom--**the Ancient of days, the living God**, the Source of all wisdom, the Ruler of the present, the Revealer of the future. Read and understand how poor, how frail, how short-lived, how erring, how guilty, is man in lifting up his soul unto vanity. The Holy Spirit through Isaiah points us **to God, the living God**, as the chief object of attention--**to God as revealed in Christ**." (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Vol.16, pgr.333)*

*"The Scriptures clearly indicate the relation between **God and Christ**, and they bring to view as clearly the personality and individuality of each. '**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 1:1-5. **God is the Father of Christ; Christ is the Son of God**. To Christ has been given an exalted position. He has been made equal with the Father. All the counsels of **God** are opened to His Son." (E.White, Testimonies for the Church, Vol.8, p.268)*

*"**God is our Father**, who loves and cares for us as His children; He is also the great King of the universe ... **The Father IS all** the fullness of the Godhead bodily ... No mortal mind can penetrate the secrecy in which the Mighty One dwells and works ... **Jehovah** is the fountain of all wisdom, of all truth, of all knowledge ... God is a Spirit; yet He is a personal being; for so He has revealed Himself. As a personal being, God has revealed Himself in His Son. The outshining of the Father's glory ... Those who realize the greatness and majesty of God, will*

take His name on their lips with holy awe. He dwelleth in light unapproachable; no man can see Him and live." (E.White, The Faith I Live By, p.38-42) - [Please note: Colossians 2:9 says that 'in Christ DWELLS all the fulness of the Godhead', but as Sister White confirms above, God the Father **IS ALL** the fulness of the Godhead - the Father 'IS' God, and He 'dwells in' Christ, through His Spirit]

"This is life eternal,' Christ prayed, 'that they might know **thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.**' There is in this prayer a greatness that no human language can express. Thousands upon thousands long for **a knowledge of God.** Some have a partial knowledge of **Him, but not the fulness of knowledge.**" (E.White, The Watchman, June 18, 1907)

"Christ declares in His prayer to His **Father, 'This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent (John 17:3).'**" (E.White, The Upward Look, p.81)

"Under the influence of truth the Christian character will develop, through the knowledge of **the only true God, AND Jesus Christ whom he hath sent.**" (E.White, The Youth's Instructor, Jan.18, 1894)

"Watchmen upon the walls of Zion, the people are asking you, What of the night? Can you tell them with assurance and authority, The morning cometh, and also the night? **God is our Father, Christ is our Saviour.** (See 2 Pet. 1:16-21.)" (E.White, General Conference Daily Bulletin, Feb.17, 1897)

"If you call **God your Father,** you acknowledge yourselves **His** children, to be guided by **His** wisdom, and to be obedient in all things, knowing that **His** love is changeless. You will accept **His** plan for your life. As children of **God,** you will hold **His** honor, **His** character, **His** family, **His** work, as the objects of your highest interest. It will be your joy to recognize and honor your relation to **your Father,** and to every member of **His** family. **God is our Father,** a tender parent, solicitous for **His** spiritual children. **He** is pledged to be the protector, counsellor, guide, and friend, of all who are obedient to **Him.**" (E.White, Sons and Daughters of God, p.14)

"Christ represented the Father to the world, and He represents before God the chosen ones in whom He has restored the moral image of God." (E.White, The Bible Echo, May 1, 1899)

"I feel my spirit stirred within me. I feel to the depth of my being that the truth must be borne to other countries and nations, and to all classes. Let the missionaries of the cross **proclaim that there is one God, AND one Mediator between God and man, who is Jesus Christ the Son of the Infinite God.** This needs to be proclaimed throughout every church in our land. Christians need to know this, and not put man where God should be, that they may no longer be worshipers of idols, but of **the living God.**" (E.White, 1888 Materials, p.886)

"When ye pray, say **Our Father.**' Luke 11:2 ... Jesus teaches us to call **His Father our Father.** He is not ashamed to call us brethren. Hebrews 2:11. So ready, so eager, is the Saviour's heart to welcome us as members of the family **of God,** that in the very first words we are to use in **approaching God** He places the assurance of our divine relationship, '**Our Father.**' Here is the announcement of that wonderful truth, so full of encouragement and

comfort, that **God loves us as He loves His Son.**" (E.White, Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing, p.103-104)

"I saw that while Jesus was with that bright heavenly host, **in the presence of God**, and surrounded by His glory, He did not forget His disciples upon the earth, but received power from His Father, that He might return and impart power to them." (E.White, Early Writings, p.187)

"**God** accepted the death of His Son to save a rebellious race. But in this was there no sacrifice made by **the Father? The Creator Himself, the omnipotent God**, suffered with His Son. Abraham was permitted to know something of the meaning of this great sacrifice. He is called the father of the faithful, because he carried out in heart purpose the fearful test, as fully as if he had by his own hand taken the life of his son." (E.White, ST, February 22, 1899, par. 6)

"**The Lord God** omnipotent is the God of His people. He is also a tender, loving **Father**, ready to hear their prayers, for God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto **Himself**, not imputing their trespasses unto them. God sent forth His Son to be the propitiation for them through faith in His atoning blood." (E.White, Ms36-1897.5)

"**There is a personal God, the Father; there is a personal Christ, the Son.** And '**God**, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in times 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." (E.White, Review and Herald, Nov.8, 1898, par.9)

"We rejoiced that the God of creation is the God of the Bible, and that we can claim this infinite Being as our Father. We talked of the glories of his power and wisdom, and adored the matchless love which has made it possible, through Jesus Christ, for fallen man to become a son and heir of the Maker and Sovereign of the universe." (E.White, Review and Herald, Nov.1, 1881, Vol.58, No.18)

## Ellen White: Only TWO in the 'Godhead' - Father and Son

"In the Bible every duty is made plain. Every lesson given is comprehensible. **Every lesson reveals to us the Father and the Son.**" (E.White, Testimonies for the Church, Vol.8, p.157)

Question: Who were the three HIGHEST BEINGS in heaven before the fall according to Ellen White?

"**The Son of God** was next in authority to the great Lawgiver. He knew that His life alone could be sufficient to ransom fallen man." (Ellen White, Spirit of Prophecy, vol. 2, page 9)

"Satan in Heaven, before his rebellion, was a high and exalted angel, **next in honor to God's dear Son.**" (Ellen White, Spirit of Prophecy, Vol.1, p.17)

### 1. God the Father

## 2. Jesus the Son of God

### 3. Lucifer (Satan)

"Speaking of Satan, our Lord says that 'he abode not in the truth.' He was once the covering cherub, glorious in beauty and holiness. **He was next to Christ in exaltation and character.** It was with Satan that self-exaltation had its origin. He became jealous of Christ, and falsely accused him, and then laid blame upon the Father. **He was envious of the position that was held by Christ and the Father,** and he turned from his allegiance to the Commander of heaven and lost his high and holy estate." (Ellen White, Review & Herald, October 22, 1895)

"All the heavenly host were summoned to appear before the Father, to have each case determined. Satan unblushingly made known his dissatisfaction **that Christ should be preferred before him.** He stood up proudly and urged that he should be equal with God, and should be taken into conference with the Father and understand his purposes. **God informed Satan that to his Son alone** he would reveal his secret purposes, and he required all the family in heaven, even Satan, to yield him implicit, unquestioned obedience." (E.White, The Signs of the Times, Jan.9, 1879)

"**The ONLY Being** who was one with God, lived the law in humanity, descended to the lowly life of a common laborer, and toiled at the carpenter's bench with His earthly parent." (Ellen G. White, Signs of the Times, October 14, 1897)

"**CHRIST** the Word, the only-begotten of God, was one with the eternal Father, -one in nature, in character, and in purpose, -**the ONLY being in all the universe** that could enter into all the counsels and purposes of God. By Christ, the Father wrought in the creation of all heavenly beings." (Ellen G. White, The Great Controversy, p. 493)

"The great plan of redemption was laid before the foundation of the world. And Christ, our Substitute and Surety, did not stand alone in the wondrous undertaking of the ransom of man. In the plan to save a lost world, **the counsel was between them both;** the covenant of peace was **between the Father and the Son.**" (E.White, The Signs of the Times, Dec.23, 1897)

"Before the foundations of the earth were laid, **the Father and the Son** had united in a covenant to redeem man if he should be overcome by Satan." (E.White, Lift Him Up, p.103)

"But in the transgression of man **both the Father and the Son** were dishonored." (E.White, The Signs of the Times, Dec.12, 1895)

"The King of the universe summoned the heavenly hosts before Him, that in their presence He might set forth the true position of His Son and show the relation He sustained to all created beings. **The Son of God shared the Father's throne, and the glory of the eternal, self-existent One encircled both.** About the throne gathered the holy angels, a vast, unnumbered throng--'ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands' (Revelation 5:11.), the most exalted angels, as ministers and subjects, rejoicing in the light that fell upon them from the presence of the Deity. Before the assembled inhabitants of heaven the King declared that **none but Christ, the Only Begotten of God, could fully enter into His purposes,** and to Him it was committed to execute the mighty counsels of His will. The Son of God had wrought the Father's will in the creation of all the hosts of heaven; and **to Him, as well as to God, their homage and allegiance were due.**" (E.White, Patriarchs and Prophets, p.36)

"Can anyone consider the condescension of God in preparing the gospel feast, and its great cost, and treat the invitation slightly? No man, nor even the highest angel, can estimate the great cost; **it is known only to the Father and the Son.**" (E.White, The Bible Echo, Oct.28, 1895)

"In the beginning **the Father and the Son** had rested upon the Sabbath after **Their** work of creation ... Heaven and earth will unite in praise, as 'from one Sabbath to another' (Isa. 66:23) the nations of the saved shall bow in joyful **worship to God and the Lamb.**" (E.White, Desire of Ages, p.769)

"The broken law of God demanded the life of the sinner. **In all the universe there was but One** who could, in behalf of man, satisfy its claims. Since the divine law is as sacred as God Himself, **only one equal with God** could make atonement for its transgression. **None but Christ** could redeem fallen man from the curse of the law, and bring him again into harmony with Heaven." (E.White, Signs of the Times, Nov.4, 1908)

"In His prayer to the Father, Christ gave to the world a lesson which should be graven on mind and soul. 'This is life eternal,' He said, 'that they might know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.' This is true education. It imparts power. The experimental knowledge of God and of Christ transforms man into the image of God. It gives man the mastery of himself, bringing every impulse and passion of the lower nature under the control of the higher powers of the mind. It makes its possessor a son of God and an heir of heaven. It brings him into communion with the mind of the Infinite, and opens to him the rich treasures of the universe." (E.White, Signs of the Times, Sept. 12, 1906)

"After the earth was created, and the beasts upon it, **the Father and Son** carried out their purpose, which was designed before the fall of Satan, to make man in **their own image**. They had wrought **together** in the creation of the earth and every living thing upon it. **And now God says to his Son, 'Let us make man in our image'.**" (E.White, The Spirit of Prophecy, Vol.1, p.24)

"The plan of salvation **devised by the Father and the Son** will be a grand success." (E.White, Signs of the Times, June 17, 1903)

"When the law was spoken, **the Lord, the Creator of heaven and earth, stood by the side of his Son**, enshrouded in the fire and the smoke on the mount." (E.White, Signs of the Times, Oct.15, 1896)

"Let the brightest example the world has yet seen be your example, rather than the greatest and most learned men of the age, **who know not God, nor Jesus Christ** whom he has sent. **The Father and the Son alone are to be exalted.**" (E.White, The Youth's Instructor, July 7, 1898)

"Christ prayed, 'And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent.' Do we not all wish to know how to gain life eternal? **It is gained by knowing God and Jesus Christ.**" (E.White, Australasian Union Conference Record, July 20, 1899)

"And this is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.' The sum and substance of the whole matter of Christian grace and

experience is comprised in believing on Christ,--in knowing God, and his Son." (E.White, The Bible Echo, Apr.15, 1892)

"Now as never before we need to understand the true science of education. 'If we fail to understand this, we shall never have a place in the kingdom of God. This is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.' If this is the price of heaven, shall not **our education be given on these lines?**" (E.White, PH140 6.2, July 8, 1897)

"I saw a throne, and **on it sat the Father and the Son**. I gazed on Jesus' countenance and admired His lovely person. The Father's person I could not behold, for a cloud of glorious light covered Him. I asked Jesus if His Father had a form like Himself. He said He had, but I could not behold it, for said He, 'If you should once behold the glory of His person, you would cease to exist.'" (E.White, Early Writings, p.54)

"In your hands will be placed a golden harp, and touching its strings, you will join with the redeemed host in filling all heaven with songs of praise to God and His Son." (Ellen G. White, (Australasian) Union Conference Record, January 15, 1903)

"I saw no temple therein: for **the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb** are the temple of it. Rev. 21:22 The people of God are privileged to hold open communion with **the Father and the Son**. 'Now we see through a glass, darkly.' We behold the image of God reflected, as in a mirror, in the works of nature and in His dealings with men; but then we shall see Him face to face, without a dimming veil between. We shall stand in His presence and behold the glory of His countenance. We may address **Him** by the endearing name, '**Our Father**,' which is a sign of our affection for **Him** and a pledge of His tender regard and relationship to us. And the Son of God, beholding the heirs of grace, 'is not ashamed to call them brethren.'" (E.White, My Life Today, p.365)

"And as the years of eternity roll, they will bring richer and more glorious revelations of God and of Christ. As knowledge is progressive, so will love, reverence, and happiness increase. The more men learn of God, the greater will be their admiration of His character. As Jesus opens before them the riches of redemption and the amazing achievements in the great controversy with Satan, the hearts of the ransomed beat with a stronger devotion, and they sweep the harps of gold with a firmer hand: and ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands of voices unite to swell the mighty chorus of praise. And every creature which is in heaven, and on earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, AND unto the Lamb for ever and ever." (E.White, The Story of Redemption, p.433)

"True education is the inculcation of those ideas which will impress the mind with the knowledge of God the Creator, and Jesus Christ the only begotten Son of God." (E.White, Ms20, 1895)

**NOTE:** God also gave visions to a man named William E.Foy before Ellen White [Harmon]. And in one of those visions given to William Foy, the Father and Son truth is also revealed ... "At the right side of the mountain appeared a mighty angel, with raiment like unto burnished gold, his legs were like pillars of flaming fire, his countenance was like the lightning, and his crown gave light to this boundless place, and those that had not passed through death, could

*not look upon his countenance. I THEN BEHELD UPON THE SIDE OF THIS MOUNT, LETTERS LIKE PURE GOLD WHICH SAID, THE FATHER, AND THE SON." (The Christian Experience of William E. Foy, 1845, p.12-13)*

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## **Ellen White: Jesus is the Literal Son of God**

*"The dedication of the first-born **had its origin in the earliest times**. God had promised to give **the first-born of heaven** to save the sinner." (Ellen G. White, Desire of Ages, p. 51)*

*"Who is Christ?--**He is the only begotten Son of the living God.**" (E.White, Sons and Daughters of God, p.21)*

*"Through Solomon **Christ declared**: '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** ... 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.'" (E.White, Signs of the Times, Aug.29, 1900)*

*"Although endowed with the attributes of God, He receives His instruction from the Father. To those who in faith receive Him as a personal Saviour, He gives power to become the sons of God, members of the royal family, children of the heavenly King. He is their teacher, their guide. Christ is declared in the Scriptures to be **the Son of God. From all eternity He has sustained this relation to Jehovah.** Before the foundations of the world were laid, He, the only begotten Son of God, pledged Himself to become the Redeemer of the human race should men sin." (E.White, Ms 22, 1905, par. 3-4)*

*"In Christ 'we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.' He is 'the image of the invisible God, **the first-born of every creature.**'" (E.White, Review and Herald, July 4, 1912)*

*"The God of heaven **sent his Son into** our world to give lessons which contain the true science. But were Christ in our world today, he would say to many teachers, as he said to the Pharisees, '**Ye neither know me, nor my Father.**'" (E.White, Review and Herald, Oct.25, 1898)*

*"God so loved the world, that **he gave his only-begotten Son**,--not a son by creation, as were the angels, nor a son by adoption, as is the forgiven sinner, **but a son begotten in the express image of the Father's person.**" (Ellen G. White, Signs of the Times, May 30, 1895)*

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"Christ is the star that should arise out of Jacob, and the one in whom all the nations of the earth should be blessed, **as the first born of heaven, and the only begotten of the Father**, filled with all the treasures of eternity. He assumed humanity, and impressed upon it the glorious image of the everlasting God." (Ellen G. White, Lt101, February 17, 1896)

"**Christ was the only begotten Son of God**, and Lucifer, that glorious angel, **got up a warfare over the matter**, until he had to be thrust down to the earth." (Ellen G. White, Ms86, August 21, 1910)

"Satan was well acquainted with the position of honor Christ had held in Heaven as the Son of God, the beloved of the Father. And that he should leave Heaven and come to this world as a man filled him with apprehension for his own safety." (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, March 3, 1874)

"I am instructed to say to you, All this holding to sentiments of infallibility is a specious device of the angel that was so exalted in the heavenly court. His beauty was so highly exalted that he thought he should be as God, and Christ must be second to him; **but the Lord informed Satan this could not be possible. Christ was His only begotten Son.**" (E.G. White, Lt157-1910)

"**Modern spiritualism**, resting upon the same foundation, is but a revival in a new form of the witchcraft and demon worship that God condemned and prohibited of old .... Peter, describing the dangers to which the church was to be exposed in the last days, says that as there were false prophets who led Israel into sin, so there will be false teachers, 'who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them ... And many shall follow their pernicious ways.' [2 Peter 2:1-2]. Here the apostle has pointed out one of the marked characteristics of spiritualist teachers. They refuse to acknowledge Christ as the Son of God. Concerning such teachers the beloved John declares: 'Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? **He is antichrist that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father.**' [1 John 2:22-23]. Spiritualism, by denying Christ, denies both the Father and the Son, and the Bible pronounces it the manifestation of antichrist." (Ellen White, Patriarchs and Prophets, p.686)

"Then praise and adoration was poured forth for the self-denial and sacrifice of **Jesus, in consenting to leave the bosom of His Father**, and choosing a life of suffering and anguish, and an ignominious death, that He might give life to others. {EW 126.2} Said the angel, 'Think ye that **the Father yielded up His dearly beloved Son** without a struggle? No, no.' It

was even a struggle with the God of heaven, whether to let guilty man perish, or to give **His darling Son** to die for them." (E.White, Early Writings, p.127)

"The Eternal Father, the unchangeable one, **gave his only begotten Son, tore from his bosom Him who was made [begotten] in the express image of his person**, and sent him down to earth to reveal how greatly he loved mankind. He is willing to do more, 'more than we can ask or think.' An inspired writer asks a question which should sink deep into every heart: 'He that spared not **his own Son**, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?' Shall not every believer in the Lord Jesus Christ say, 'Since God has done so much for us, how shall we not, for Christ's sake, show our love to him by obedience to his commandments, by being doers of his word, by unreservedly consecrating ourselves to his service?' (Ellen White, Review and Herald, July 9, 1895 par. 13)

"Giving Christ, God has given everything. Nothing greater, nothing more costly, could He bestow. In giving His Son, He gave all heaven, not because of any goodness or righteousness that we possess, but because He loved us." (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Vol.18, pgr.337)

"Jesus stood by their side in the fiery furnace, and the glory of his presence convinced the proud king of Babylon that **it could be no other than the Son of God**." (Ellen G. White, The Youth's Instructor, 1904)

"The Son of God pities fallen man. He knows that **the law of his Father** is as unchanging as himself. He can only see one way of escape for the transgressor. **He offers himself to his Father** as a sacrifice for man, to take their guilt and punishment upon himself, and redeem them from death by dying in their place, and thus pay the ransom. **The Father consents to give his dearly beloved Son** to save the fallen race; and through his merits and intercession promises to receive man again into his favor, and to restore holiness to as many as should be willing to accept the atonement thus mercifully offered, and obey his law. For the sake of **his dear Son** the Father forbears a while the execution of death, and to Christ he commits the fallen race." (E.White, Spiritual Gifts, Vol.3, p.46)

"Christ was the majesty of heaven, **the only begotten Son of God**. Yet 'God so loved the world that **He gave His only begotten Son**, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'" (E.White, A Call to the Watchmen, pgr 4)

"The only begotten son of God condescended to live a life of humiliation, self-denial, and self-sacrifice, divesting Himself of His own majesty and glory as Commander of the heavenly courts, that He might bring life and immortality to the human race." (E.White, The Bible Echo, July 20, 1896)

"The thought that God's eye is watching over us, that he loves us, and cared so much for us **as to give his dearly beloved Son** to redeem us, that we might not miserably perish, is a great one." (E.White, Christian Education, p.188)

"In giving His Son, God gave Himself that man might have another trial. If God could have changed this law to meet man in his fallen condition, would He not have done this, and retained His only begotten Son in heaven?--He certainly would. But because His law was as changeless as His character, **He gave His beloved Son**, who was above law, and one with

*Himself, to meet the penalty which His justice demanded."* (E.White, The Bible Echo, Feb.8, 1897)

*"The Lord Jesus Christ, **the divine Son of God, existed from eternity, a distinct person**, yet one with the Father. He was the surpassing glory of heaven. He was the commander of the heavenly intelligences, and the adoring homage of the angels was received by him as his right. This was no robbery of God. 'The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way,' he declares, '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."* (E.White, Review and Herald, April 5, 1906)

*"When I read in the Bible of **how many refused to believe that Christ was the Son of God**, sadness fills my heart. We read that even His own brethren refused to believe in Him."* (E.G. White, Letter 398, To Dr. & Mrs. D.H. Kress, December 26, 1906)

*"The Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Father, **is truly God in infinity, BUT NOT IN PERSONALITY.**"* (E.White, Ms49, 1906, par.26)

### **Ellen White: Holy Spirit is Spirit of Christ [Received from the Father]**

*"We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ."* (E.White, Letter 66, April 10, 1894, par.17-18)

*"The Father gave his Spirit without measure to his Son, and we also may partake of its fulness."* (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, November 5, 1908)

*"Never before had angels listened to such a prayer as Christ offered at his baptism, and they were solicitous to be the bearers of the message from the Father to his Son. But, no! **direct from the Father** issues the light of **his glory**. The heavens were opened, and **beams of glory rested upon the Son of God and assumed the form of a dove**, in appearance like burnished gold. **The dove-like form was emblematical of the meekness and gentleness of Christ**. While the people stood spell-bound with amazement, their eyes fastened upon Christ, from the opening heavens came these words: 'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.' The words of confirmation that Christ is the Son of God were given to inspire faith in those who witnessed the scene, and to sustain the Son of God in his arduous work." (Ellen White, Review and Herald, Jan.21, 1873)*

*"When God's people take the position that they are **the temple of THE HOLY GHOST, CHRIST HIMSELF abiding within**, they will so clearly reveal Him in spirit, words and actions, that there will be an unmistakable distinction between them and Satan's followers."* (E.White, Ms100, July 14, 1902, par. 24)

*"This is our work for this time, to open the door to Jesus, and **HE** will so fill the soul that there will be no room for self and selfishness ... We want that complete and perfect understanding which **the Lord alone** can give. It is not safe to catch the spirit from another. **We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ.**"* (E.White, Letter 66, April 10, 1894, par.17-18)

"Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. The Holy Spirit is **Himself** divested of the personality of humanity and independent thereof. He would represent **Himself** as present in all places by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent." (Ellen G. White, 14MR 23.3, 1895)

"**Jesus comes to you as the Spirit of truth**; study the mind of the Spirit, consult your Lord, follow His way." (Ellen G. White, 2MR 337.1)

"The Spirit of truth is the only effectual teacher of divine truth; those who are taught of Him have entered the school of Christ. How must God esteem the race, that He gave His Son to die for them, **and appoints HIS SPIRIT** to be man's teacher and continual guide." (Ellen G. White, Signs of the Times, October 24, 1906)

"**There is no comforter like Christ**, so tender and so true. He is touched with the feeling of our infirmities. **His Spirit** speaks to the heart." (E. White, Review and Herald, Oct. 26, 1897)

"**The Saviour is our Comforter. This I have proved Him to be.**" (E. White, Manuscript Releases, Vol. 8, pgr 49)

"Let them study the seventeenth of John, and learn how to pray and how to live the prayer of **Christ. He is the Comforter. He will abide in their hearts, making their joy full.**" (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, January 27, 1903)

"They have **ONE God and ONE Saviour; and ONE Spirit--the Spirit of Christ**" (Ellen G. White, 9T 189.3, 1909)

"The act of Christ in **breathing** upon his disciples the Holy Ghost, and in imparting his peace to them, was as a few drops before the plentiful shower to be given on the day of Pentecost." (E. White, The Spirit of Prophecy, Volume 3. p. 243)

"The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ, which is sent to all men to give them sufficiency, that through His grace we might be complete in Him." (Ellen G. White, 14 Manuscript Releases, p. 84)

"Christ declared that after his ascension, he would send to his church, as his crowning gift, the Comforter, who was to take his place. This Comforter is the Holy Spirit, - **the soul of his life**, the efficacy of his church, the light and life of the world. **With his Spirit** Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin." (E. White, The Review and Herald, May 19, 1904 par. 1)

"While Jesus ministers in the sanctuary above, **HE is still by HIS SPIRIT** the minister of the church on earth. He is withdrawn from the eye of sense, but His parting promise is fulfilled, 'Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.' Matthew 28:20. While He delegates His power to inferior ministers, **His energizing presence is still with His church.**" (Ellen G. White, Desire of Ages, p. 166)

"The reasons why the churches are weak and sickly and ready to die is that the enemy has brought influences of a discouraging nature to bear upon trembling souls. **He has sought to**

**shut Jesus from their view as the Comforter.**" (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, August 26, 1890)

"We cannot be with Christ **in person**, as were His first disciples, **but He has sent HIS Holy Spirit** to guide us into all truth, and through this power we too can bear witness for the Saviour. [John 16:13 quoted]" (E.G. White, Ms30, June 18, 1900)

"And when He had said this, **He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:** Whosoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosoever sins ye retain, they are retained. The Holy Spirit was not yet fully manifested; for Christ had not yet been glorified. The more abundant impartation of the Spirit did not take place till after Christ's ascension. Not until this was received could the disciples fulfill the commission to preach the gospel to the world. But the Spirit was now given for a special purpose. Before the disciples could fulfill their official duties in connection with the church, **CHRIST breathed HIS Spirit upon them.**" (Ellen G. White, Desire of Ages, p. 805)

"When the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the early church, 'The whole multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul.' **The SPIRIT of CHRIST made them one.** This is the fruit of abiding in Christ." (Ellen G. White, GCDB, February 6, 1893)

"The Lord Jesus, standing by the side of the canvassers, walking with them, is the chief worker. The Holy Guest by their side makes impressions in just the lines needed, if the worker recognizes Christ as the one who is with him to prepare the way. Thus the worker can move forward representing the sacred truth he is handling, in the books he is finding a home for in families. Just as the truth presented in the books becomes woven into his own experience and developed in his character, will be his strength, his courage, his life. The experience gained will be more benefit to him than all the advantages he might otherwise obtain in fitting for the work of the ministry. It is the **accompaniment of the Holy Spirit of God** that prepares the workers, both men and women, to become pastors unto the flock of God. As they cherish the thought that **Christ is their companion**, a holy awe, a sacred joy will be felt by them amid all their trying experiences and all their tests." (E.White, Bible Echo, September 18, 1899 par. 12-13)

"But it is the leaven of the spirit of Jesus Christ, which is sent down from heaven, **called the Holy Ghost**, and that Spirit affects the heart and the character." (Ellen G. White, Ms36-1891)

"It is not essential for you to know and be able to define just what the Holy Spirit is. Christ tells us that the Holy Spirit is the Comforter, and the Comforter is the Holy Ghost, 'the Spirit of truth, which the Father shall send in My name. I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth Him: but ye know Him, for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you' [John 14:16, 17]. **This refers to the omnipresence of the Spirit of Christ, called the Comforter.**" (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Vol. 14, pgr.179)

"The Holy Spirit, **which proceeds from the only begotten Son of God**, binds the human agent, body, soul, and spirit, to the perfect, divine-human nature of Christ. This union is represented by the union of the vine and the branches. Finite man is united to the manhood of

*Christ. Through faith human nature is assimilated with Christ's nature. We are made one with God **in Christ**.*" (E.White, Review and Herald, Apr.5, 1906)

*"But it was difficult even for the disciples to understand the words of Christ. **That Christ should manifest himself to them**, and yet be invisible to the world, was a mystery to them. They could not understand the words of Christ in spiritual sense. They were thinking of the outward, visible manifestation. They could not take in the fact that they could have **the presence of Christ** with them, and yet he be unseen by the world. They had yet to learn that the inward spiritual life, all fragrant with the obedience of love, would give them the spiritual power they needed. 'Lord, how is it,' questioned one of the disciples, 'that thou wilt **manifest thyself** unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love **me**, he will keep my words; **and my Father** will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."* (E.White, The Signs of the Times, Nov.18, 1897)

*"Those who rose up with Jesus would send up their faith to Him in the holiest, and pray, 'My Father, give us Thy Spirit.' Then **Jesus would breathe upon them the Holy Ghost**. In that breath was light, power, and much love, joy, and peace."* (E.White, Early Writings, p.54-55)

*"The influence of the Holy Spirit is **the life of Christ** in the soul. We do not now see Christ and speak to Him, but His Holy Spirit is just as near us in one place as another. It works in and through every one who receives Christ. Those who know the indwelling of the Spirit reveal the fruits of the Spirit, -'love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith."* (E.White, Bible Echo, June 17, 1901 par. 6)

*"Jesus is waiting to **breathe** upon all his disciples, and give them the inspiration of his sanctifying spirit, and transfuse the vital influence from himself to his people. He would have them understand that henceforth they cannot serve two masters. Their lives cannot be divided. **Christ is to live in his human agents**, and work through their faculties, and act through their capabilities. Their will must be submitted to his will, they must act with his spirit, that it may be no more they that live, but **Christ that liveth in them**. Jesus is seeking to impress upon them the thought that in giving his Holy Spirit he is giving to them the glory which the Father has given him, that he and his people may be one in God. Our way and will must be in submission to God's will, knowing that it is holy, just, and good."* (E.White, Signs of the Times, October 3, 1892 par. 4)

*"True faith and repose in God are always accompanied by the illumination of the Holy Spirit, whose temple we are. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ; it is His representative. Here is the divine agency that carries conviction to hearts."* (Ellen G. White, 13 Manuscript Releases, p. 313)

*"O, how we grieve the pure, holy Spirit OF Christ with our defiling sins! We are not prepared for the appreciation of the holy communion with Christ and with one another unless we are cleansed by his efficacy."* (E.White, The Review and Herald, July 5, 1898 par. 7)

*"The office of the Holy Spirit is to take the truth from the sacred page, where God has placed it for the benefit of every soul whom he has created, and stamp that truth upon the mind. The Spirit OF God has unconfined range of the heavenly universe ... So the life-giving power of the Holy Spirit, **proceeding from Christ**, and imparted to every disciple, pervades the soul ... Christ is our advocate, pleading in our behalf. The Spirit pleads within us. Then let us show perfect trust in our Leader, and not inquire of false guides ... Christ's methods, and every*

*fierce passion, every defective trait of character, is worked upon the molding influence of the Spirit OF Christ, until the man has a new motive power, and becomes filled with the Holy Spirit of God, after the likeness of the divine similitude ... The Holy Spirit is the source of all power, and works as a living, active agent in the new life created in the soul. **The Holy Spirit is to be in us a divine indweller ... Christ is to live in** his human agents, and work through their faculties, and act through their capabilities. Their will must be submitted to his will, they must act with his Spirit, that it may be no more they that live, but Christ that liveth in them ... Wherever we go, we bear the abiding presence of the One so dear to us; for we abide in Christ by a living faith. He is abiding in our hearts by our individual, appropriating faith. We have the companionship of the divine Jesus, and as we realize his presence, our thoughts are brought into captivity to him." (E.White, Healthful Living - The Office of the Holy Spirit, p.300-302)*

*"The holy Spirit is the comforter, **as the personal presence of Christ** to the soul." (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, November 29, 1892)*

*"It is the accompaniment of the Holy Spirit of God that prepares workers, both men and women, to become pastors to the flock of God. As they cherish the thought that Christ is their Companion, a holy awe, a sacred joy, will be felt by them amid all their trying experiences and all their tests ... They will practice true Christian courtesy, bearing in mind that Christ, their Companion, cannot approve of harsh, unkind words or feelings." (E.White, Colporteur Ministry, p. 33)*

*"**What we want is the spirit of Jesus**. When we have this, we shall love one another. Here are the credentials that we are to bear: 'By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. We need to pray more; and when we have **Christ** abiding in the soul, HIS SPIRIT in me will harmonize with HIS SPIRIT in you; and he who controls our minds, controls also the heavenly intelligences, and they co-operate with us." (The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, p. 903)*

*"We need, my sister, greater benevolence, greater humility first, then the simplicity of Christ will appear; contention will cease, because it is an offensive thing and grieves the Holy Spirit of God. No one who truly enjoys the Spirit of Jesus Christ will be fractious, suspicious, criticizing, accusing. Why? Because Christ is abiding in the soul temple. Under the influence of the Holy Spirit, the whole multitude of them that believed were of 'one heart and of one mind.' The Spirit of Christ animated the whole and became the whole heart of the whole community." (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Volume 21, p. 155)*

*"Baptized with the Spirit of Jesus, there will be a love, a harmony, a meekness, a hiding of the self in Jesus that the wisdom of Christ will be given, the understanding enlightened; that which seems dark will be made clear." (E.White, Counsels to Writers and Editors, p. 81)*

*"This grace had moved upon the heart of Cornelius. **The Spirit of Christ had spoken to his soul; Jesus had drawn him, and he had yielded to the drawing.**" (E.White, God's Amazing Grace, p. 86)*

*"In order to confess Christ, we must have Him to confess. No one can truly confess Christ unless **the mind and spirit of Christ are in him.**" (E.White, God's Amazing Grace, p. 277)*

"When one is fully emptied of self, when every false god is cast out of the soul, the vacuum is filled by the inflowing of the Spirit of Christ. Such a one has the faith that purifies the soul from defilement. He is conformed to the Spirit, and he minds the things of the Spirit. He has no confidence in self. Christ is all and **in all**." (E.White, God's Amazing Grace, p. 212)

"Do not stop to try to convert the one who is speaking words of reproach against your work; but let it be seen that you are inspired by the Spirit of Jesus Christ; and angels of God will put into your lips words that will reach the hearts of opposers. If these men persist in pressing their way in, those who are of a sensible mind in the congregation will understand that yours is the higher standard. So speak that it will be known that Jesus Christ is speaking through you." (E.White, The General Conference Bulletin, p. 57)

"The Spirit of Jesus dwells in us richly by faith." (E.White, Manuscript Releases, Volume 21, p. 306)

### Ellen White: I NEVER CHANGED my Belief

"I should be an unfaithful watchman, were I to hold my peace, when I see the very foundations of our faith being torn away by those who have departed from the faith, and who are now adrift, without an anchor. In this time, when false doctrines are being taught, **WE ARE TO TEACH THE SAME TRUTH THAT WE HAVE TAUGHT FOR THE PAST HALF CENTURY. I HAVE NOT CHANGED MY FAITH ONE JOT OR ONE TITTLE.**" (E.White, Lt 150, May 15, 1906)

"When men come in who would **MOVE ONE PIN OR PILLAR FROM THE FOUNDATION** which God has established **BY HIS HOLY SPIRIT, LET THE AGED MEN WHO WERE PIONEERS IN OUR WORK SPEAK PLAINLY, AND LET THOSE WHO ARE DEAD SPEAK ALSO, BY THE REPRINTING OF THEIR ARTICLES IN OUR PERIODICALS**. Gather up the rays of divine light that God has given as He has led His people on step by step in the way of truth. This truth will stand the test of time and trial." (E.White, Ms 62, 1905 , p. 6)

"**THE TRUTHS GIVEN US AFTER THE PASSING OF THE TIME IN 1844 ARE JUST AS CERTAIN AND UNCHANGEABLE AS WHEN THE LORD GAVE THEM TO US** in answer to our urgent prayers. The visions that the Lord has given me are so remarkable that we know that what we have accepted is the truth. This was demonstrated by the Holy Spirit. Light, precious light from God, **ESTABLISHED THE MAIN POINTS OF OUR FAITH AS WE HOLD THEM TODAY.**" (E.White, Letter 50, 1906)

"**I DO NOT WISH TO IGNORE OR DROP ONE LINK IN THE CHAIN OF EVIDENCE THAT WAS FORMED** as, after the passing of the time in 1844, little companies of seekers after truth met together to study the Bible and to ask God for light and guidance ... The truth, point by point, was fastened in our minds so firmly that we could not doubt ... **THE EVIDENCE GIVEN IN OUR EARLY EXPERIENCE HAS THE SAME FORCE THAT IT HAD THEN. THE TRUTH IS THE SAME AS IT EVER HAS BEEN, AND NOT A PIN OR A PILLAR CAN BE MOVED FROM THE STRUCTURE OF TRUTH. THAT WHICH WAS SOUGHT FOR OUT OF THE WORD IN 1844 , 1845, AND 1846 REMAINS THE TRUTH IN EVERY PARTICULAR.**" (E.White, Letter 38, 1906)



"The Word of the Lord has guided our steps since the passing of the time in 1844. We have searched the Scriptures; we have built solidly; and **we have not had to tear up our foundations and put in new timbers.**" (E.White, Letter 24, 1907 , p. 3)

"The Lord has declared that **THE HISTORY OF THE PAST SHALL BE REHEARSED AS WE ENTER UPON THE CLOSING WORK. EVERY TRUTH** that He has given for these last days is to be proclaimed to the world. **EVERY PILLAR THAT HE HAS ESTABLISHED** is to be strengthened. We cannot now step off the foundation that God has established ... There is need now to rehearse the experience of the men who acted a part in the establishment of our work at the beginning." (E.White, Ms 129, 1905 , p. 3)

"**LISTEN NOT** a moment to the interpretations that would **LOOSEN ONE PIN, REMOVE ONE PILLAR**, from the platform of truth. **HUMAN INTERPRETATIONS, THE RECEPTION OF FABLES, WILL SPOIL YOUR FAITH, CONFUSE YOUR UNDERSTANDING, AND MAKE OF NONE EFFECT YOUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST.** Study diligently the third chapter of Revelation. In it is pointed out the danger of losing your hold upon the things that you have heard and learned from the Source of all light." (E.White, Letter 230, 1906 , p. 4)

"That which I have written is what the Lord has bidden me write. **I HAVE NOT been instructed to change** that which I have sent out ... **THE STRAIGHT LINE OF TRUTH PRESENTED TO ME WHEN I WAS BUT A GIRL IS JUST AS CLEARLY PRESENTED TO ME NOW.**" (E.G. White, RH, Jan 26, 1905)

"We want solid pillars for the building. **NOT ONE PIN IS TO BE REMOVED FROM THAT WHICH THE LORD HAS ESTABLISHED.**" (Ellen White, Review and Herald, May 25, 1905)

"A liar is one that presents false theories and doctrines. **HE WHO DENIES THE PERSONALITY OF GOD AND OF HIS SON JESUS CHRIST IS DENYING GOD AND CHRIST.** 'If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son and in the Father.' **IF YOU CONTINUE TO BELIEVE AND OBEY THE TRUTHS YOU FIRST EMBRACED REGARDING THE PERSONALITY OF THE FATHER AND THE SON, YOU WILL BE JOINED TOGETHER WITH THEM IN LOVE.** There will be seen that union for which Christ prayed just before His trial and crucifixion." (E.White, ms23, 1906)

## Ellen White: The 'Third PERSON' of the Godhead

For a thorough study of this, please also see our page [WHO IS THE THIRD PERSON OF THE GODHEAD?](#)

"They have **one God [1] and one Saviour [2]; and one Spirit--the Spirit of Christ [3]**" (E.White, Testimonies Volume 9, p. 189, 1909) - [NUMBERS ADDED TO SHOW THE 'THREE PERSONS']

There is no denying that Ellen White used the words 'third person' in her writings (providing those writings have not been altered and the words added by someone else). But instead of taking those little statements on their own, like many Adventist leaders do over and over again. We need to look at it in context and **combine it with the her writings above** to get a

clear understanding of what was meant. Just like we do with the Bible. So let us take a look at a couple of these statements Mrs White made with reference to the Holy Spirit being a 'PERSON'.

*"In describing to His disciples the office work of the Holy Spirit, Jesus sought to inspire them with the joy and hope that inspired His own heart. He rejoiced because of the abundant help He had provided for His church. The Holy Spirit was the highest of all gifts that He could solicit from His Father for the exaltation of His people. The Spirit was to be given as a regenerating agent, and without this the sacrifice of Christ would have been of no avail. The power of evil had been strengthening for centuries, and the submission of men to this satanic captivity was amazing. Sin could be resisted and overcome only through the mighty agency of the Third Person of the Godhead, who would come with no modified energy, but in the fullness of divine power. It is the Spirit that makes effectual what has been wrought out by the world's Redeemer. It is by the Spirit that the heart is made pure. Through the Spirit the believer becomes a partaker of the divine nature. Christ has given **His Spirit** as a divine power to overcome all hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil, and to impress His own character upon His church." (Ellen White, Lift Him Up, p.191)*

Can you see IN CONTEXT what Mrs White was saying? She was saying that this 'third person' of the Godhead is in fact the Spirit OF Jesus, which He received from the Father. And it is THAT Spirit OF Jesus, a 'divine power', which Ellen White relates as the 'third person'. But it is clearly not an actual separate being. It is the Spirit OF Christ, and another personality OF Christ.

**It's the 'Person' of Christ, through His Spirit.**

*"During the Jewish economy the influence of God's Spirit had been seen in a marked manner, but not in full. For ages prayers had been offered for the fulfillment of God's promise to impart His Spirit, and not one of these earnest supplications had been forgotten. Christ determined that when He ascended from this earth He would bestow a gift on those who had believed on Him and those who should believe on Him. What gift could He bestow rich enough to signalize and grace His ascension to the mediatorial throne? It must be worthy of His greatness and His royalty. He determined to give His representative, the third person of the Godhead. This gift could not be excelled. He would give all gifts in one, and therefore the divine Spirit, that converting, enlightening, and sanctifying power, would be His donation. **It** came with a fullness and power, as if for ages it had been restrained, but was now being poured forth upon the church." (E. White, My Life Today, p. 36)*

**Please notice** that Ellen White refers to the Holy Spirit a number of times as an 'it'. She would NEVER refer to a literal divine being as an 'it'. Never!

Can you see? Mrs White is telling us that this 'third person of the Godhead', again, is the Spirit OF God and Christ, but also that it is a 'divine POWER'. A converting POWER. It's not a literal separate being apart from God and Jesus. It is THEIR DIVINE SPIRIT, which acts as a 'third power' so to speak, of the Godhead.

*"The Lord [Jesus] says this because He knows it is for our good. He would build a wall around us, to keep us from transgression, so that His blessing and love may be bestowed on us in rich measure. This is the reason we have established a school here. The Lord [Jesus] instructed us that this was the place in which we should locate, and we have had every reason*

*to think that we are in the right place. We have been brought together as a school, and we need to realize that the Holy Spirit, who is as much a person as God is a person, is WALKING through these grounds, UNSEEN by human eyes; that the Lord God is our Keeper and Helper. He hears every word we utter and knows every thought of the mind." (Ellen G. White, Sermons and Talks Volume 2, pp. 136-137, 1899)*

So who exactly is this 'UNSEEN PERSON WALKING' on earth with us?

*"**CHRIST** WALKS UNSEEN through our streets. With messages of mercy He comes to our homes." (Ellen G. White, The Ministry of Healing, p. 107)*

*"How few realize that **JESUS**, UNSEEN, is WALKING by their side! How ashamed many would be to hear His voice speaking to them, and to know that He heard all their foolish, common talk!" (Ellen G. White, 14 MR 125.3)*

It is Jesus, through HIS Spirit whom is unseen and walking by our sides on earth!