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#### GOD IS OUR FATHER

#### Genesis 3:8 (KJV)

<sup>8</sup> And **they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day**: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

#### Genesis 3:23-24 (KJV)

<sup>23</sup> Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. <sup>24</sup> So **he drove out the man**; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

#### Matthew 1:21-23 (KJV)

<sup>21</sup> And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name **JESUS**: for he shall save his **people from their sins.** <sup>22</sup> Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, <sup>23</sup> Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, **God with us**.

#### JESUS CAME TO EXPLAIN THE FATHER

#### John 1:18 (KJV)

<sup>18</sup> No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, **he hath declared him**.

In the Old Testament there was no clear revelation of God but when Jesus came things were made clear.

#### Matthew 3:16-17 (KJV)

<sup>16</sup> And **Jesus**, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw **the Spirit of God** descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:

<sup>17</sup> And lo **a voice from heaven**, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

#### TRINITY IS CLEARLY REVEALED

- For the first time in the history of human race and the first time in the Bible there was clear revelation of the trinity.

Genesis 1:26 (KJV)

<sup>26</sup> And God said, Let us make man in our image,

#### John 14:6 (KJV)

<sup>6</sup> Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

The Trinity is revealed here – we come to the father in the name of Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit.

# NOBODY UNDER THE OLD TESTAMENT COULD EVER BE CALLED THE SON OF GOD – THERE WERE SERVANTS BUT NOT THE SON OF GOD.

Nobody in the Old Testament was ever called the son of God. Nobody in the Old Testament was ever received publicly a voice from heaven declaring "him my beloved son"

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#### Matthew 3:17 (KJV)

<sup>17</sup> And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

# We can also be sons and daughters - My Father and Your Father John 20:17 (KJV)

<sup>17</sup> 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.

We have to pray according the New Testament pattern: God is our Father and we have to address him in prayers by "Father".

#### Matthew 6:9 (KJV)

<sup>9</sup> After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Through Jesus we have come to a wonderful position as sons of God.

#### Isaiah 26:3 (KJV)

<sup>3</sup> Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.

#### John 3:16 (KJV)

<sup>16</sup> 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.

### Jesus is a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on him should not abide in darkness John 12:46 (KJV)

46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

#### John 17:3 (KJV)

<sup>3</sup> And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

### JESUS IS NOT THE WAY TO HEAVEN BUT THE WAY TO THE FATHER John 14:6 (KJV)

<sup>6</sup> Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

The way is not the way to heaven but the way to the father. The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ is preached to bring us to Jesus Christ to the father.

# Matthew 6:34 (KJV) – Everyday comes with it problems but our father is in control of our lives

<sup>34</sup> Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.