

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## THE HEART OF THE FATHER

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A number of Christians have a difficult time with God the Father and prefer to pray to Jesus and just ignore the Father. There can be two reasons for a believer in Christ to act this way:

1. They believe that the Father is the God of the Old Testament and don't like Him.
2. They had had a horrible experience with their human father or grew up without one.

Regardless of the reason, rejecting Father God creates strong spiritual and emotional damages in the Christian.

### **JESUS IS THE CREATOR**

Jesus didn't just begin to exist when He was born on the earth to Mary. He has always existed and is part of "the Godhead." In the description in the book of Genesis, God refers to Himself in the plural as "us." **Genesis 1:26-27**

The apostle John first stated that Jesus is the Creator. **John 1:1-14**

We find several references to this in the New Testament. **Ephesians 3:8-11; Colossians 1:12-18; Hebrews 1:1-3**

### **JESUS IS THE GOD OF THE OLD TESTAMENT**

When Moses asked God for His name, God replied, "I AM." **Exodus 3:13-14**

When Jesus confronted the Jews about His divinity, He told them openly that His name was "I AM." **John 8:54-58**

We can therefore confidently declare that it was Jesus who walked in the Garden of Eden and talked with Adam and Eve, it was Jesus that spoke with Abraham, it was Jesus that talked with Moses and Jesus was the lawgiver in the Old Testament.

### **JESUS IN HUMAN FLESH**

In order for God to forgive the human race, the reconciliation had to be done by God to Himself. **2 Corinthians 5:18-19**

Jesus relinquished His power and glory for a season when He left heaven and was incarnated into a human body so that He could live a sinless life, suffer the consequences of sin and pay the debt on the cross. **Luke 1:26-35; John 1:28-34; Acts 4:10-12**



## **JESUS IS GOD**

Adding up all the knowledge we have from the Bible, we can emphatically state that God is one yet three. We have God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. The secret to understanding the Godhead is found in the beginning of the Bible. **Genesis 1:26-27**

I know that I have a physical body, a soul, and as a born again believer in Christ, I also have a spirit. Thus, I am a triune being, but I am one. I consist of three parts but I am not schizophrenic.

God and man both consist of three parts but God alone has the capacity to divide up the parts and operate them independently of one another, something man cannot do. Jesus gives a perfect picture of how this works. **John 16:5-16; 17:1-5**

## **GOD THE FATHER IS LOVE**

It was God the Father who sent His only begotten Son. **John 3:16**

God the Father is love. **1 John 4:7-16**

You cannot have Jesus and deny the Father. **1 John 2:23**

Nor can you deny Jesus and keep the Father. **John 14:6**

## **IN THE END GOD WILL NO LONGER BE DIVIDED**

The apostle Paul gave us a full revelation of how it will be in the next life when all of God's people have moved into eternity. **1 Corinthians 15:22-28; Revelation 21:1-4**

***If God did not have the capacity to divide Himself into three,  
there would have been no redemption for mankind!***

God the Father was in heaven on the throne, while Jesus the Son was on earth dying on the cross and the Holy Spirit bound them together!

If you have not been able to love God the Father, today is the time to repent, ask forgiveness and rush into His arms to receive the full love of God in your life and be healed from all your wounds! **John 14:23; 16:25-28**

***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***

**DO YOU HAVE AN EAR TO HEAR WITH?**