

The three faces of God (The Trinity): by lcl

Just as we can be described as a physical body, a spirit and a will, so God is made up of 3 parts called the Trinity.

***God the Father** is spirit and the source of all holiness, wisdom and power. He makes the rules or laws of how heaven and earth operate within His kingdom. The Father sent Christ to us as shown in John 8:42,11:42, 17:18,23. The Father does what is asked in the name of Christ (John 14:13,14) that agrees with His will. Remember, "Seek first the kingdom of God." Matt. 6:33 The Father asks that Christ should receive all glory for His overcoming human temptations, suffering to save mankind and defeating Satan. All will eventually bow and honor Christ when they are judged or sooner. The Father has life in Himself and raises the dead as does Christ. John 5:21, 26 The Father gave Jesus the power to raise himself from the dead in John 5:26. He did this because He could not be in the presence of the sin that Jesus had assumed for mankind. Also, The Father could not go to a sinful Hell where Jesus was preaching after His death. Christ was telling those who had died before him who he was and gave them a chance to accept him then. The Father allows Christ to judge mankind because He was a man, subject to the same temptations yet always following the Father's will. God, the Father, has willed that, as a completely Holy God, He is the source of complete truth, morality and purity. He cannot even be in the presence of evil or look upon it. Likewise, anyone in sin cannot exist in the presence of His Holy face. Exodus 33:18-23 They could not even exist in Heaven without being covered by Christ's blood and made sinless.*

Joh 8:42 Jesus said to them, If God were your father, you would love Me, for I went forth and came from God; for I did not come of Myself, but He sent Me.

Joh 11:41 Then they took away the stone where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, Father, I thank You that You have heard Me.

Joh 11:42 And I know that You hear Me always, but because of the people who stand by I said *it*, so that they may believe that You have sent Me.

Joh 17:18 As You have sent Me into the world, even so I have sent them into the world.

Joh 17:23 I in them, and You in Me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that You have sent Me and have loved them as You have loved Me.

Joh 14:13 And whatever you may ask in My name, that I will do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Joh 14:14 If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.

Joh 5:20 For the Father loves the Son and shows Him all the things that He Himself does. And He will show Him greater works than these, so that you may marvel.

Joh 5:21 For as the Father raises the dead and makes alive, even so the Son of Man makes alive whomever He wills.

Joh 5:22 For the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment to the Son,

Joh 5:23 so that all should honor the Son, even as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

Joh 5:26 For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has given to the Son to have life

within Himself,

Joh 5:27 and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is *the Son of Man.*

Joh 5:30 I can do nothing of My own self. As I hear, I judge, and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of *the Father* who has sent Me.

Proof of how sin cannot exist in the presence of God's glory:

Moses's encounter with Christ filled with God the Father's full glory. Example 1

Exo 33:18 And he said, I beseech You, let me see Your glory.

Exo 33:19 And He said, I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of Jehovah before you. And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will have mercy on whom I will have mercy.

Exo 33:20 And He said, You cannot see My face. For there no man can see Me and live.

Exo 33:21 And Jehovah said, Behold! *There is a place by Me, and you shall stand upon a rock.*

Exo 33:22 And it will be, while My glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and will cover you with My hand while I pass by.

Exo 33:23 And I will take away My hand, and you shall see My back parts. But My face shall not be seen.

Christ described with the full glory of the Father Example 2

1Ti 6:16 (Christ) who alone has immortality, dwelling in light which cannot be approached, whom no one of men have seen, nor can see; to whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen. (*This is the light that shall illuminate heaven.*)

Joh 17:5 And now Father, glorify Me with Yourself with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

The holiness of God was also in the Ark of the covenant. It killed the man who touched it. Example 3

2Sa 6:6 And when they came to Nachon's threshing-floor, Uzzah reached out to the ark of God, and took hold of it; for the oxen upset it.

2Sa 6:7 And the anger of Jehovah was kindled against Uzzah. And God struck him there for the error. And he died there by the ark of God.

The Holies of Holies in the tabernacle could only be entered by certain priests or they would die. Thus a rope was tied to the leg of those entering that they might be pulled out if they died without anyone having to enter. Example 4

Num 4:17 And Jehovah spoke to Moses and to Aaron, saying,

Num 4:18 Do not cut off the tribe of the families of the Kohathites from among the Levites.

Num 4:19 But do this to them, and they shall live and not die when they approach the Holy of Holies. Aaron and his sons shall go in and appoint each one of them to his service and to his burden.

Num 4:20 But they shall not go in to watch when the holy things are covered, lest they die.

Christ created all things speaking them into existence. He spoke and The Father's power worked. The Father dwells within Christ. (John 14:10) Christ became the

physical part of God that came to earth and suffered as a human sacrifice for mankind, thus finishing a path of salvation that The Father willed. John 4:34 At other times He was and is now transfigured as spirit and heavenly body able to eat, be touched and yet walk through earthly walls. Christ as "The Word" came as a teacher to define sin and witness to all the light of His Father's truth and will. Christ is the perfect example to all that wish to follow Him. He always does the will of The Father. (John 4:34, 6:38, 8:29) Christ speaks what the Father, who is within Him, desires and speaks to Him. (John 12:49) He taught by example all that he desires us to be.

Christ was given the power to lay down and take up again His life by the Father (John 10:18). The Father provides the power to do the works Jesus asks. (John 14:10) Christ and the Father both receive glory. (John 5:23, 17:1,4,5) and had glory before the world existed. (John 17:5) Christ interceded for those that are His when on earth and told the Father of their desires. (Romans 8:34) His blood, shed on the cross, covers their sins from the Trinity and all the hosts of Heaven. Christ judges from what he hears compared to the words He spoke. (John 12:48) We are judged by what we say according to Matt.12:36-37. Those that are saved do and say the words Christ spoke and heard from the Father, and in so doing become one with Christ and The Father. (John 17:11) When Jesus left earth, he prayed to The Father to send the Holy Spirit, which He did at Pentecost. (John 14:16)

Thereafter, the Holy Spirit could intercede directly to the Father.

Joh 16:26 At that day you will ask in My name; and I do not say to you that I will pray to the Father for you,

Joh 16:27 for the Father Himself loves you, because you have loved Me and have believed that I came out from God (*The Father*).

Joh 16:28 I came forth from the Father, and have come into the world. Again I leave the world and go to the Father.

Joh 4:34 Jesus said to them, My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to finish His work.

Joh 6:38 For I came down from Heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me.

Joh 8:26 I have many things to say and to judge of you, but He who sent Me is true, and I speak to the world those things what I heard of Him.

Joh 8:27 They did not understand that He spoke to them of the Father.

Joh 8:28 Then Jesus said to them, When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you shall know that I AM, and that I do nothing of Myself, but as My Father has taught Me, I speak these things

Joh 8:29 And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things which please Him. (At this point, the Father had never left Jesus. However, this would change for a short while when Jesus assumed all mankind's sins and went to Hell to preach for 3 days.)

Joh 10:18 No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down from Myself. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it again. I have received this commandment from My Father.

Joh 12:48 He who rejects Me and does not receive My Words has one who judges him; the Word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

Joh 12:49 For I have not spoken of Myself, but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say, and what I should speak.

Joh 12:50 And I know that His command is life everlasting. Therefore whatever I speak, even as the Father said to Me, so I speak.

Joh 14:10 Do 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 of Myself, but the Father who dwells in Me, He does the works.

Jesus came out of God the Father to be manifested in the flesh and save those who accept Christ. The father lives within Christ just as the Holy Spirit lives in those who have accepted Christ. The Father guides Jesus just as the Holy Spirit hears from the Father and guides those who are saved.

Joh 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, so that He may be with you forever,

Joh 17:1 Jesus spoke these words and lifted up His eyes to Heaven and said, Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son so that Your Son also may glorify You,

Joh 17:2 even as You have given Him authority over all flesh so that He should give eternal life to all You have given Him.

Joh 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

Joh 17:4 I have glorified You upon the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.

Joh 17:5 And now Father, glorify Me with Yourself with the glory which I had with You before the world was. (This was after His resurrection.)

Joh 17:6 I have revealed Your name to the men whom You gave to Me out of the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.

Joh 17:7 Now they have known that all things, whatever You have given Me, are from You.

Joh 17:8 For I have given to them the Words which You gave Me, and they have received *them* and have known surely that I came out from You. And they have believed that You sent Me.

Joh 17:9 I pray for them. I do not pray for the world, but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. *Jesus prays for the world just as we should.*

Joh 17:10 And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I am glorified in them.

Joh 17:11 And now I am in the world no longer, but these are in the world, and I come to You, Holy Father. Keep them in Your name, those whom You have given Me, so that they may be one as We are.

Rom 8:34 Who is he condemning? It is Christ who has died, but rather also *who is raised*, who is also at *the right hand* of God, who also intercedes for us.

Mat 12:36 But I say to you that every idle word, whatever men may speak, they shall give account of it in the day of judgment. *We are judged by our words whether they be of faith, truth, compassion and reverence toward God or they come from satan. Our words should align with the words given by God.*

Mat 12:37 For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned.

Jesus had glory before the earth was formed. John 17:5 When He came to earth His glory was diminished because he was among the sinful about him.

Heb 2:6 But one testified in a certain place, saying, "What is man, that You are mindful of him; or the son of man, that You visit him?"

Heb 2:7 You have made him a little lower than *the* angels. You crowned him with glory and honor and set him over the works of Your hands.

Then, when Christ rose triumphant from the grave and Hell, He was re-elevated even higher in glory above the angels. He had conquered satan and death on his own as he fulfilled the will of God his Father.

Heb 1:1 God, who at many times and in many ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

Heb 1:2 has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds,

Heb 1:3 who being the shining splendor of *His* glory, and the express image of His essence, and upholding all things by the word of His power, through Himself cleansing of our sins, *He* sat down on *the* right of the Majesty on high,

Heb 1:4 being made so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

The Holy Spirit is spiritual life. (Basic spiritual life was placed in physical bodies: Genesis 2:7) (It is the spirit that makes the flesh alive: John 6:63) The Holy Spirit was sent by the Father in the name of Christ (John 14:26, 15:26) at the request of Christ (John 14:16) to be a helper comforter & teacher to those who have accepted Christ as their lord. (John 14:16,26), The Holy Spirit was sent in Christ's absence to convict the world of sin, righteousness and judgement (John 16:8). The Holy Spirit comes to live in those who have accepted Christ and entered into God's kingdom by accepting God's rules and Christ as ruler. The Holy Spirit as teacher and guide, recalls the words of Christ (that have been read or heard) to those who are "in Christ" as they are needed, especially in making decisions when wisdom is asked for. At these times the Holy Spirit aids in understanding the meaning of Christ's words, scripture and all spiritual things in general. The Holy Spirit convicts the world of what is sin. John 16:8

The Holy Spirit can be hurt and offended, but is never described as having anger (He is pure love). The Holy Spirit is a messenger. He tells The Father the thoughts of our hearts, and tells those in Christ what the Father and Christ says (John 16:13), the words of Christ (John 14:26), the truth (John 14:17) and what is to come (John 16:13). When wisdom is asked for from God, it is the Holy Spirit that is the teacher or that who causes lessons to be dealt with that teach. The Holy Spirit intercedes for those in Christ according to the will of God. The Holy Spirit intercedes by translating needs, faith and guidance, in agreement with the will of the Father. (Romans 8:26,27) The Holy Spirit also intercedes by telling the Father our heart feelings. (Acts 15:8) The Holy Spirit is not spoken of as having glory. (He is a true servant seeking no reward.) The Holy Spirit has always been on the earth from the beginning (Genesis 1:2) and continues to do the will of the Father.

Gen 1:2 And the earth was without form and empty. And darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved on the face of the waters.

Gen 2:7 And Jehovah God formed man *of the* dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

Lev 17:11 For the life of the flesh *is* in the blood. And I have given it to you on the altar to make an atonement for your souls. For it is the blood that makes an atonement for the soul.

Deu 12:23 Only be sure that you do not eat the blood. For the blood *is* the life. And you may not eat the life with the flesh.

Isa 38:16 O Jehovah, by these things men live, and in all these *is* the life of my spirit; so You will recover me, and make me to live.

Joh 6:63 It is the Spirit that makes alive, the flesh profits nothing. The words that I speak to you are spirit and are life.

Joh 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, so that He may be with you forever,

Joh 14:17 the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see Him nor know Him. But you know Him, for He dwells with you and shall be in you.

Joh 14:26 But the Comforter, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things and bring all things to your remembrance, whatever I have said to you.

Joh 15:26 And when the Comforter has come, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He shall testify of Me.

Joh 16:8 And when that One comes, He will convict the world concerning sin, and concerning righteousness, and concerning judgment.

Joh 16:13 However, when He, the Spirit of Truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth. For He shall not speak of Himself, but whatever He hears, He shall speak. And He will announce to you things to come.

Rom 5:5 And hope does not make us ashamed, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through *the Holy Spirit* given to us.

The Holy Spirit reminds us of Christ's sacrifices for our salvation and scriptures about God's love for us.

Rom 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Rom 8:27 And He searching the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

Act 15:8 And God, who knows the hearts, bore them witness, giving them the Holy Spirit even as to us.

*The Holy Spirit prays for us directly to the Father and Jesus does not say that he prays for us in that day.**

Joh 16:13 However, when He, the Spirit of Truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth. For He shall not speak of Himself, but whatever He hears, He shall speak. And He will announce to you things to come.

Joh 16:16 A little *while* and you will not see Me; and again a little *while*, and you will see Me, because I go to the Father.

Joh 16:23 And in that day you shall ask Me nothing. Truly, truly, I say to you, Whatever you shall ask the Father in My name, He will give you.

Joh 16:25 I have spoken these things to you in parables, but the time is coming when I shall no more speak to you in parables, but I will show you plainly of the Father.

*Joh 16:26 At that day you will ask in My name; and I do not say to you that I will pray to the Father for you,

Zec 4:6 Then he answered and spoke to me, saying, This is the Word of Jehovah to Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, says Jehovah of Hosts. (*The Holy Spirit speaks to the hearts of men and women and causes them to do the will of the Father. He also speaks to all that God created. Do you think the whale swallowed and coughed up Jonah by accident? The wind and waves also obey Christ's words and the Holy Spirit. Psalms 107:25*)

Zec 4:7 Who *are* you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel *you shall become* a plain; and he shall bring forth the top stone with shoutings, Grace! Grace to it!

Does the trinity converse..... yes

The following is one example:

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

How do we know this?

1. Man was not in existence yet.
2. Angels are created beings who themselves cannot create men and women.
3. Man was made in the image of God, thus God was speaking with the intent of creating man in His own image.
4. God is the only creator to create life out of nothing.
5. God created the heavens and the earth and all the things leading up to Genesis 1:26, thus it was still God speaking in this verse.
6. The Trinity converses all the time: You will find that the Father shows His will to Christ and the Holy Spirit. Both Christ and the Holy Spirit make intercession for those in Christ to the Father.

Heb 7:25 Wherefore he (Jesus) is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Rom 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helps our infirmities. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Rom 8:27 And He searching the hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

Jesus makes requests to The Father.

Joh 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

Joh 16:26 At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: (Jesus prayed for the people when He was on earth, but when He went to Heaven that job was given to the Holy Spirit.)