

The Holy Spirit and Creation

Genesis 1:2



The Holy Spirit

- Last week we began a study of the Holy Spirit.
- We sought to show from Scripture that the Holy Spirit was in fact a Definitive, Divine, and Distinct Individual (**John 16:13; Romans 5:3-5**).
- Furthermore we saw from the Bible that the Holy Spirit was also an equal member of the Godhead (**Matthew 28:19**).

The Holy Spirit

- Since the Holy Spirit is God (**Acts 5:3**) as equally as the Father and Son (**John 10:30; Philippians 2:5-11**) we may examine the Word to see a comprehensive knowledge and see His role in those things that only God is capable of doing:
 1. His Role in Creation
 2. His Role in Conversion
 3. His Role in Christianity

3 AND GOD SAID, "LET THERE

BE LIGHT," AND THERE WAS LIGHT.

4 GOD SAW THAT THE LIGHT WAS

GOOD, AND HE SEPARATED THE

LIGHT FROM THE DARKNESS.

5 GOD CALLED THE LIGHT

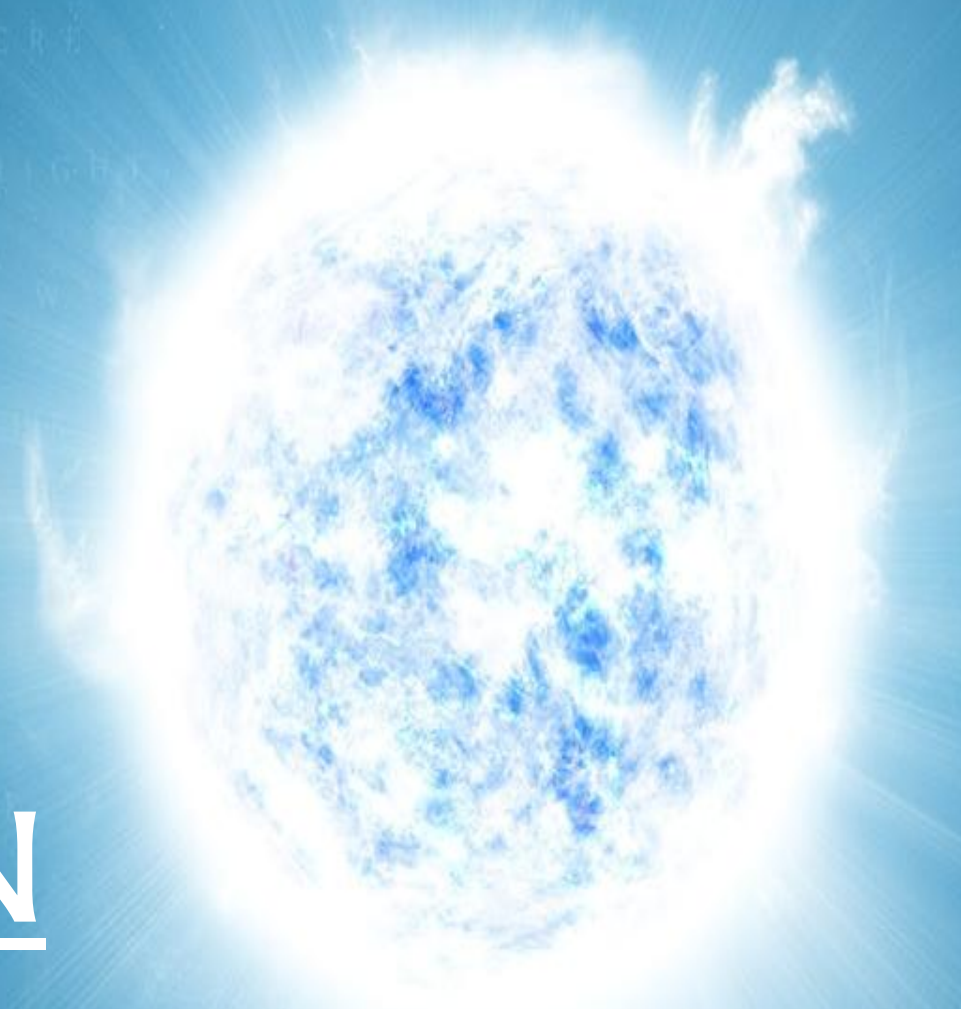
"DAY," AND THE DARKNESS

"NIGHT." AND THERE WAS

EVENING, AND THERE WAS

MORNING—THE FIRST DAY.

CREATION



"LET THERE BE LIGHT"

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Physical Creation

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

“LET THERE BE LIGHT”

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The Holy Spirit

- To gain a comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the Holy Spirit we must go back to see His role in Creation.
- Since He is God one would expect to see Him play just as much of a role in creation as do the Father and the Son

The Holy Spirit

*In the beginning **GOD** created the heavens and the earth. ~ **Genesis 1:1***

The Word God comes from the Hebrew word **אֱלֹהִים** – *ELOHIM* which is in fact a **Uni-Plural Noun**.

What is a uni-plural noun?

The Holy Spirit

- A uni-plural noun, as seen in the Bible, is a plural noun with a singular verb
- While not exactly grammatically correct in English the uni-plural is definitely seen throughout Scripture.
- And one only needs to examine the first sentence of the Bible to find it!

The Holy Spirit

*In the beginning **GOD** (Elohim) **CREATED** the heavens and the earth.*

Plural Noun – **God - Elohim** (*Plural*)

Singular Verb – **Created** (*Monotheistic, One*)

The Holy Spirit

- In only the first verse of the Bible we discover that there is ONE GOD but that there are three distinct beings who possess that divine nature.
- We Will Discover this morning that The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit all played a unique role in Creation.

The Holy Spirit

1. The Father – “God Said” (**Genesis 1:3; 1:6; 1:9; 1:11; 1:14; 1:20; 1:22; 1:24; 1:26; 1:28; 1:29; 1 Corinthians 8:6**)
2. The Son – “The Word” (**John 1:1-3, 14; Hebrews 11:3**)
3. The Spirit (**Genesis 1:2**)

The Holy Spirit

This is why we read God saying,

Then God said, “**Let Us make man** in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

~ **Genesis 1:26**

The Holy Spirit

- The role of the Holy Spirit in Creation is seen in second verse of Genesis 1:2:

The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

~ Genesis 1:2

The Holy Spirit

- The Word “Moved” is the same word used elsewhere in Scripture meaning to “hover” and shows care and purpose.

As an eagle stirs up its nest, Hovers over its young, Spreading out its wings, taking them up, Carrying them on its wings.

~ **Deuteronomy 32:11**

The Holy Spirit

- **So What Then Were The Roles of The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit?**
- **THE FATHER** – Conceived and Designed the Plan for the Creation of the Universe and thus for mans salvation.

The Holy Spirit

Yet for us *there is* one God, the Father, of whom *are* all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom *are* all things, and through whom we *live*.

~ 1 Corinthians 8:6

The Holy Spirit

- **THE SON** – At the time of the Creation the Son was the Word Who would become The Son, Christ, The Messiah.

*In the beginning was **the Word**, and **the Word was with God**, and **the Word was God**. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.*

~ **John 1:1-3**

The Holy Spirit

And the Word became 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.

~ **John 1:14**

The Holy Spirit

For to which of the angels did He ever say: “**You are My Son, Today I have begotten You**”?
And again: “**I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son**”?

~ Hebrews 1:5 (Psalm 2:7; 2 Samuel 7:14)

The Holy Spirit

Though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered.

~ Hebrews 5:8

**As The Word, He Literally Spoke The Creation
Into Existence!**

The Holy Spirit

THE SPIRIT – He provided the organizing influence and imparting of the “Breath of Life” into all life forms, including man.

The Spirit of God has made me, And the breath of the Almighty gives me life.

~ **Job 33:4**

The Holy Spirit

By His Spirit He adorned the heavens; His hand pierced the fleeing serpent.

~ Job 26:13

The Holy Spirit

- The Holy Spirit took what the Father Had Designed and what the Word spoke into existence and gave it **ORGANIZATION** and **LIFE!**
- Paul explicitly states that in the physical world in which we live that the Godhead is clearly seen in its creation:

The Holy Spirit

For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,

~ **Romans 1:20**

Spiritual Creation

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love...

“LET THERE BE LIGHT”



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The Holy Spirit

- The Universe, the world around us, our own self existence – these are all areas where we see God’s physical Creation.
- The Church is where we see God’s Spiritual Creation.
- The Father, The Son, and The Spirit All Worked together in the Spiritual as well.

The Holy Spirit

- All Three were involved in God's Divine Plan for mankind's salvation:

1. THE FATHER – Invented the Plan of Salvation.

Now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places, according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord ~ Ephesians 3:10-11

The Holy Spirit

- THE SON – The Execution of the Plan –

The Word Became Flesh (**John 1:14**)

It would be His Flesh and Blood upon which the Plan would be executed, that which is called a “new and living way”

The Holy Spirit

Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh.

~ Hebrews 10:19-20

The Holy Spirit

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

~ Ephesians 1:7

The Holy Spirit

THE HOLY SPIRIT – The Source of Revelation

- Who made known the Will of God to the writers of the Bible? It was the Spirit (**1 Corinthians 2:11**)
- Who revealed the “**Mystery**” and was the source of divine inspiration? The Holy Spirit!

The Holy Spirit

How that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets.

~ Ephesians 3:3-5

The Holy Spirit

- When We look around us we see the work of God, our one and only God, yet composed of three distinct personalities.
- We see His work in Creation and the physical world around us.
- We see His work in Creation in the Spiritual elements around us, in the Church.

The Holy Spirit

- The Father, The Son and the Spirit all played a cohesive, unified, and divine role in everything that we know of today, physical or spiritual.
- The plan and purpose of God was to sustain in this physical life by saving us spiritually through the blood of Christ.

Will You Answer God's Call?

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were 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.

~ Ephesians 4:4-6