

Biblical Trinitarianism

vs.

ONENESS PENTECOSTALISM

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The Trinitarian view of the Godhead is not the same as Oneness Pentecostalism view of the Godhead. Perhaps if their idea of a Denomination is to steal the name of a Jewish Feast Day and then claim Trinitarians teach that there are three Gods reveals their loss of brain cells. If there is ONE Person as the Oneness teaches who are the THREE? And if they are just MODES or WORKS of that one God; what in the world does the word Godhead mean? If God is not three persons in ONE (singular) Godhead (a singular plurality) how do they account for the BODY of Jesus Christ? Is that just a MODE of the Father that spoke from heaven while Jesus Christ was on earth? How is this not two distinct persons? One on earth whilst the other in heaven and yet another descending from heaven to earth.

Matthew 3:13-17, “Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him. 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: And lo **a voice from heaven**, saying, **This is my beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased.”

1. Jesus (**This is my beloved Son**, in whom **I** am well pleased.)
2. The Spirit of God (descending, and lighting upon him.)
3. A Voice from Heaven (How is this Jesus if He is on earth?)

Mark 1:9-11, “And it came to pass in those days, that **Jesus** came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and **the Spirit** like a dove descending upon him: And there came **a voice from heaven**, saying, **Thou art my beloved Son**, in whom I am well pleased.”

1. Jesus (**Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.**)
2. The Spirit (descending upon him)
3. A Voice from Heaven (Thou art my beloved Son)

Luke 3:21, “Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that **Jesus** also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, And **the Holy Ghost** descended **in a bodily shape** like a dove upon him, and **a voice came from heaven**, which said, **Thou art my beloved Son**; in thee I am well pleased.”

1. Jesus (**Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased.**)
2. The Holy Ghost (descended in a bodily shape)
3. A Voice came from Heaven (Thou art my beloved Son)

John 1:29-34, “The next day John seeth **Jesus** coming unto him, and saith, Behold **the Lamb of God**, which taketh away the sin of the world. This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for **he was before me**. And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. And John bare record, saying, I saw **the Spirit** descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. And I knew him not: but **he that sent me** to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. And I saw, and bare record that **this is the Son of God.**”

1. Jesus (**this is the Son of God**)
2. The Spirit (the Spirit descending from heaven)
3. He that sent me (John was the Father)

From every account of the Baptism of the Lord Jesus Christ the Godhead is revealed as three separate individual persons without a doubt. This cannot be modalistic because this is happening at the same time. If it were modes then when God spoke from heaven God on earth would have to disappear for that moment so that He could manifest from heaven the words and then when done speaking reappear back on earth. Modalism dictates a manifestation only in actions or works. This would preclude multiple manifestations simultaneously as the Modalistic God is ONE and only ONE person. One person cannot be everywhere at once.

The definitive statement on this would be 1 John 5:6-9, “This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And

it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are **three** that bear **record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost**: and these **three are one**. And there are three that bear **witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood**: and these **three agree in one**. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.”

Now for the record the verse in this passage that makes it clear is verse 7, “For there are **three** that bear record in heaven, **the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost**: and **these three are one**.” This is obviously out of the King James Bible. Where it remains to be the absolute truth and has this equation in it: $3=1$. It is a mathematic enigma as God is far superior to anything in His creation including math that God can reside as 3 and 1 at the same time! What is important is that the Father is 100% One (1) God; The Word (Son) is 100% One (1) God; and the Holy Ghost is 100% One (1) God. Each ONE of these is ONE (1) God! Now let’s count them $1+1+1=1$! I know I had you going didn’t I! Yes that is what the passage SAYS! These THREE are ONE! See the three? The statement is not $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$ because this is not saying $3 = 1$. The fact that it says THREE is the whole of the summation of Trinitarianism. This is a FACT. As a Bible believer I just believe what the Bible SAYS. Now you can make it teach anything you want; but if you believe what it SAYS that is what it SAYS. God means what He SAYS and SAYS what He means. That is a simple profound statement. Now if you doubt this verse should be in the Bible as the Reconstructionist’ teach then I know something about you: You are NOT a Bible believer; but a Bible DOUBTER. Remember it said: “...there are **three** that bear record in heaven...” it did not say: “...there is **one** that bears record in heaven...” There ARE THREE! It did not say: “...there are **three** modes that bear record in heaven...” It did not say “...there are **three** manifestations that bear record in heaven...”

This is why the Pentagramme-costalism-terist can’t grab hold of this because they reject the Bible telling you $3 = 1$ and yet they remain ignorant still. It is because they assume that God is $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$! Yet they have not allowed for the passage to give you that answer. They are not saying $3=1$. They are only saying $1=1$! And??? So they think they have figured out the Godhead? Yet $1 \times 1 \times 1 = 1$ is the same as saying: $1 \times 1 = 1$. This is not saying $9 = 1$ it is still saying $1 = 1$. The statement in the Bible says $3 = 1$; it does not say three MODES or three MANIFESTATIONS. It says these three and names them as persons. Ignoring these FACTS will not make them go away.

The Godhead is a singular plurality which would mean that God is a multiple personality being. God is not a man and is not like a man. The Onenessers want a god made in their own image. If God has modes then how many modes does God have? God shows up in the Old Testament as Elohim and Jehovah and the Holy Spirit so how many modes does that make? Wait what about the Spirit of God and the Spirit of the LORD? Are those two more modes? How about the spirit of wisdom or the spirit of understanding or the spirit of counsel or the spirit of might or the spirit of knowledge or the spirit of the fear of the LORD? Are these not more modes? Modalism seems to be innumerable? So why did God stop with THREE? Seems like modes could be endless in the nature of God! So how about The Spirit of the Lord GOD? Now we can't stop there because the New Testament has the Holy Ghost and the Spirit of truth and the spirit of holiness and the Spirit of Christ and along with some of the ones listed in the Old Testament but then would they not be different modes too seeing that it is the New Testament? So then we would have the Spirit of God; Spirit of the Lord; the Spirit of the living God! And then there is the Spirit of his Son; and the Spirit of Jesus Christ; and the spirit of his mouth (the Lord's); and the Spirit of grace; and the Spirit of Christ; and the spirit of glory and of God; and the Spirit of life from God. Then if that weren't enough you have the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy!

Now many modes are there really? This is just a drop in the bucket! I am sure the Onenites have many more to add to the number of three. Perhaps mode is the wrong understanding of the Godhead, you think? Does God mode at all? What is God mode? Isn't that like being god like in a game where you can't die? God is not in a mode. This degrades the nature of the Godhead to a degree of making God a lying actor. Modalism is a view repugnant to the Scriptures and devoid of the true understanding of the Godhead. God is NOT a lying actor and not playing games.

John 5:37, "And **the Father himself**, which hath **sent me**, hath **borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.**" Jesus Christ told you that you never saw the Father's shape; and yet if Jesus is the Father in just a different mode; that would be a lie because He was standing there right in front of them and they saw Jesus' shape. That either means Jesus Christ lied; or the Father is NOT the Son and the Son is NOT the Father. They were hearing Jesus Christ voice and yet Jesus Christ told them that they have NEVER heard the Father's voice. Well, was He **lying**? Or **acting** like he was NOT the Father? This shows a plurality of the Godhead. Not a MODE! Not just a manifestation.

Lord both of the dead and living:

Matthew 22:32, “I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? **God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.**”

Mark 12:27, “**He is not the God of the dead, but the God of the living:** ye therefore do greatly err.”

Luke 20:38, “**For he is not a God of the dead, but of the living:** for all live unto him.”

Romans 14:9, “For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, **that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.**”

God is not the God of the dead, but of the living! Yet Christ is Lord both of the dead AND living. SO, is Christ not God? OR is Christ NOT the Father?

If you make Christ the same PERSON as the Father and the passages from the gospels are what Christ SAID; then how is it that He is Lord both of the dead and living? The trouble is that if you make them the same person; then you have established a LIE; or you are making the Bible LIE; or you are making Jesus Christ LIE! But the fact remains: it is the believer that espouses modalism that is the liar.

If in fact the Godhead (3 = 1) as viewed in the Trinitarian understanding holds up in these verses with nothing needing to be altered all the while keeping God ONE with THREE separate persons who each have different personalities and different demands different works and are very uniquely different. God the Father NEVER learned obedience; Jesus Christ DID! Perhaps you would like to tell me WHO Jesus was obedient to? Hebrews 5:8-9, “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him...” Was He made perfect or was He already perfect? Did obedience make Him perfect? Or was it suffering? Or was it His birth? Or was it that He was already Perfect and this verse is not true?

Nevertheless all of the Godhead are in each of the Persons of the Godhead because God is ONE; so they are three in one and all of them one in each of them three. This is the true view of the Trinitarian Godhead. They are the same and yet they are different at the same time. God is Omnipotent (all powerful; Almighty) and thus all three are Omnipotent. God is Omniscient (all knowing; Almighty) and thus all three are Omniscient. God is Omnipresent (all places; Almighty) and thus all three are Omnipresent. Of these three attributes God is Almighty Thus the Godhead is Almighty and each is:

1. Omnipotent
2. Omniscient
3. Omnipresent
4. Omnipotent and Omniscient
5. Omniscient and Omnipresent
6. Omnipresent and Omnipotent
7. Omnipotent, Omniscient and Omnipresent

Like the Godhead is $3 = 1$ and $1 = 3 = 7$; so are His main attributes $1 = 3 = 7$. This holds true in the Scriptures but NOT in the Oneness Pentecostalism ideology.

This $1 = 3 = 7$ is also in each member of the Trinity so that God is not like YOU at all. God is infinite. You are NOT. God's nature is far greater than you can understand. Who can understand $1 = 3 = 7$? It is not mathematically possible yet God is a fact and because God made all things including math; God is above math and inhabits eternity. God is higher than math, time, space, matter, and YOU. God is not asking your permission to be the Trinity; He already is as described in the Scriptures over and over again.

The main trouble with oneness doctrine is that it makes many of the passages in the Bible a LIE; while being selective with only the passages that they use to promote their ideology. Like John 10:30, "I and my Father are one." But this is NOT saying "I and my Father are the SAME." That is the way they reinterpret the word ONE. That does not mean the same it means ONE like in the number 1. You cannot make this verse undo any other verse in the Bible and create a doctrine contrary to another passage like: John 17:11, "And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and **I come to thee. Holy Father**, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, **that they may be one, as we are.**" How is ONE in this passage SAME? It is NOT; and you know it too.

Now if you want what the Bible says you must allow the Bible to be self-interpreting and remove from you any bias ideology to allow God to speak through the Bible to you; but if you will NOT; then remain ignorant still; but if you are willing to know the truth find out how God uses words like the word ONE.

John 6:46, "**Not that any man hath seen the Father**, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father." Now how do you line this up with: John 14:9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? **he that hath seen me hath seen the Father**; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?" and then with: John 5:37, "And the Father himself, which

hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. **Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.**” And yet complete this in total agreement with John 10:30, “I and my Father **are one.**” And John 17:22, “And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that **they may be one, even as we are one.**” And lastly with: 1 John 5:7, “For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and **these three are one.**”

So how are we ONE like the Father and the Son are ONE? I mean the Body of Christ: how are WE ONE being MANY? Romans 12:5, “So **we, being many, are one** body in Christ, and **every one members one of another.**” Are we the same PERSON? NO! Are we ONE Body in Christ? YES!

Again how are we ONE like the Father and the Son are ONE? 1 Corinthians 10:17, “For **we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.**” That is clear right?

ONE more time: How are WE ONE like the Father and the Son are ONE? It is NOT by any oneness doctrine of lies: 1 Corinthians 12:12, “For **as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.**” SO ALSO IS CHRIST! Is that simple enough for you?

So: 1 John 5:7, “For **there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.**” Is in fact three PERSONS: ONE GOD. These THREE persons are ONE God. That fits EVERY passage in the Bible on the subject. The oneness ideology does NOT.

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