

*“And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth
and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them,
I heard saying: Blessing and honor and glory and power be
to Him who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb, forever and ever!”
(Revelation 5:13).*

TWO DIVINE BEINGS

1. “The covenant of peace shall be between them both” (Zechariah 6:12).
Both is two.
2. “Our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son” (1John 1:3, 1John 2:24).
3. All of “the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are hidden in the Father and the Son”
(Colossians 2:2-3).
4. “Not My will but Thine be done,” Jesus prayed (Luke 22:42). “I came down from heaven not to do my own will, but the will of Him that sent me” (John 6:38).

“My will” - “Thy will.” Two beings? Or was Christ praying to Himself?

THE FATHER GLORIFIED

Matthew 5:16 “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and **glorify your Father in heaven.**”

Galatians 1:4-5 [Christ] “who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, **according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.**”

Romans 15:6 KJV “... that ye may with one mind and one mouth **glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Ephesians 3: 14-15 “For this reason **I bow my knees to the Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named.”

Philippians 4:20 “**Now to our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.**”

Philippians 2:11 “... and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, **to the glory of God the Father.**”

Revelation 4:9-11 “Whenever the living creatures **give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne**, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders **fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him** who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: **‘You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.’**”

GIVING THANKS TO THE FATHER

“ . . . giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,”
(Ephesians 5:20).

“We **give thanks to the God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you”
(Colossians 1:3).

“And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, **giving thanks to God the Father** through Him” (Colossians 3:17).

“At that time Jesus answered and said, “**I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth**, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes” (Matthew 11:25).

“Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, ‘**Father, I thank You** that You have heard Me’” (John 11:41).

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead”
(1Peter 1:3).

“ . . . giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light” (Colossians 1:12).

“**The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying”
(2Corinthians 11:31).

“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” (Ephesians 1:3).

CHRIST HONORED AND GLORIFIED

“Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders **fell down before the Lamb**... Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice: **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!**”
(Revelation 5:8-12).

“ . . . that **all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father**. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him” (John 5:23).

“ . . . but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior **Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen**” (2Peter 3:18). (See also Hebrews 1:6 and Philippians 2:11).

*Note: There is no Scriptural command to thank the Holy Spirit.
We thank the Father for sending us His Spirit.
We pray in the Spirit, but are never instructed to pray to the Spirit.*

THE FATHER CREATED ALL THINGS THROUGH HIS SON

1Corinthians 8:6 “ ... 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.”

Revelation 4:9-11 “Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to **Him who sits on the throne**, who lives forever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall down before **Him who sits on the throne** and worship *Him* who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying: ‘You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For **You created all things**, And **by Your will they exist and were created**.’”

Ephesians 3:14-15 “For this reason I bow my knees to the **Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named**,”

Ephesians 3:9 “ ... and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in **God who created all things through Jesus Christ**;”

Hebrews 1:1-2, 8, 10 “**God**, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by **His Son**, whom He has appointed heir of all things, **through whom also He made the worlds**; who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of *His person* [singular], and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,”... “And: (to the Son He says) ‘You LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands;’”

John 1:3 “**All things were made through Him**, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”

John 1:10 “He was in the world, and **the world was made through Him**, and the world did not know Him.”

Colossians 1:12-16 “ ... giving thanks to **the Father** who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of **the Son** of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. **He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn** over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. **All things were created through Him and for Him**.”

Proverbs 8:27-31 “**When He prepared the heavens ... When He established the clouds above ... When He assigned to the sea its limit ... Then I was beside Him as a master craftsman;** And I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him, rejoicing in His inhabited world, And my delight was with the sons of men.”

THE FATHER’S WILL SUPREME

Ephesians 4:6 “... **one God and Father of all, who is above all**, and through all, and in you all.”

Luke 11:2 “So He said to them, ‘When you pray, say: **Our Father in heaven**, Hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. **Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven**’” (Matt. 6:10).

Matthew 7:21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does **the will of My Father in heaven.**”

Matthew 12:50 “For whoever does **the will of My Father in heaven** is My brother and sister and mother.” (Mark 3:35)

Matthew 18:14 “Even so it is not **the will of your Father who is in heaven** that one of these little ones should perish.”

Matthew 26:42 “Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, ‘**O My Father**, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, **Your will be done.**’”

Luke 22:42 “... saying, **Father, if it is Your will**, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done.”

Mark 14:36 “And He said, ‘Abba, **Father**, all things are possible for You. Take this cup away from Me; nevertheless, **not what I will, but what You will.**’”

John 4:34 “Jesus said to them, ‘My food is to do **the will of Him who sent Me**, and to finish His work.’”

John 5:30 “I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but **the will of the Father who sent Me.**”

John 6:38-39 “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but **the will of Him who sent Me**. This is **the will of the Father who sent Me**, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.”

Hebrews 10:7 “Then I said, ‘Behold, I have come -- In the volume of the book it is written of Me -- **To do Your will, O God.**’”

John 6:40 “And this is **the will of Him who sent Me**, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

Galatians 1:4 “ ... who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to **the will of our God and Father,**”

Ephesians 1:5 “ ... having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, **according to the good pleasure of His will,**”

Ephesians 1:9 “... having made known to us **the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself,**”

Ephesians 1:11 “In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of **Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will,**”

Note: The entire first chapter of Ephesians is a praise to God the Father, Who foreordained, and purposed that we would someday be adopted as His sons and daughters, through Jesus His son. He planned this before the earth was created. The creation of this earth, and the salvation of those who would accept His Son Jesus Christ, was ultimately and originally the will, the idea, the plan of God Our Father.

Hebrews 13:20-21 “Now may **the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead,** that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, **make you complete in every good work to do His will,** working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

*Note: The Father raised Christ from the dead. (1Peter 1:3, Gal 1:1)
The Father works His will, in us, through Christ.*

Revelation 4:11 [**To the One who sits on the throne**] “You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For **You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.**”

Note: The Bible does not say that Christ came to do the will of the Holy Spirit--only the will of His Father.

Note: 1Corinthians 12:11 speaks of spiritual gifts, which are distributed by [or through] the Spirit “to each one individually as He wills.” “And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.” After reading the above references, would you say that the “He” in 1Corinthians 12:11 refers to the Father or to the Holy Spirit? Does the Spirit distribute spiritual gifts according to “His” will, or does the Father distribute spiritual gifts, through Christ, according to His own will, by means of His Spirit?

HIS FATHER, AND HIS GOD

John 20:17 “Jesus said to her, ‘Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, I am ascending to **My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.**”

Romans 15:6 “ ... that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1Corinthians 11:3 “But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and **the head of Christ is God.**”

2Corinthians 1:3 “Blessed be **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,”

2Corinthians 11:31 “**The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.”

Ephesians 1:3 “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,”

Ephesians 1:17 “ ... that **the God of our Lord Jesus Christ**, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,”

Colossians 1:3 “We give thanks to **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, praying always for you,”

Hebrews 1:9 “You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore **God, Your God, has anointed You** With the oil of gladness [the Holy Spirit] more than Your companions.”

1Peter 1:3 “Blessed be **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,”

Revelation 1:6 “ ... and has made us kings and priests to **His God and Father**, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Revelation 3:12 “He who overcomes, **I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God**, and he shall go out no more. And **I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God**, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven **from My God**. And I will write on him My new name.”

SENT BY THE FATHER

1John 4:14 “And we have seen and testify that **the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world.**”

John 5:30 “I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of **the Father who sent Me**” (John 5:23, John 5:37).

John 5:37 “And **the Father Himself, who sent Me**, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form” (John 8:16).

John 6:39 “This is the will of **the Father who sent Me**, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.”

John 6:44 “No one can come to Me unless **the Father who sent Me** draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

John 6:57 “As **the living Father sent Me**, and I live because of the Father, so he who feeds on Me will live because of Me.”

John 8:16 “And yet if I do judge, My judgment is true; for I am not alone, but I am with **the Father who sent Me.**”

John 8:29 “And **He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone**, for I always do those things that please Him.”

John 8:42 “Jesus said to them, ‘If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but **He sent Me.**’”

John 10:36 “Do you say of **Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world**, ‘You are blaspheming,’ because I said, ‘I am the Son of God?’”

John 12:49 “For I have not spoken on My own authority; but **the Father who sent Me** gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.”

John 17:21 “... that they all may be one, as **You, Father**, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that **You sent Me.**”

John 17:25 “**O righteous Father!** The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that **You sent Me.**”

John 20:21 “So Jesus said to them again, “Peace to you! As **the Father has sent Me**, I also send you.”

RAISED FROM THE DEAD BY HIS FATHER

Acts 3:15 “... and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses.”
(Acts 4:10)

Acts 13:30 “But God raised Him from the dead.”

Acts 17:31 “... because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead.”

Romans 4:24 “It shall be imputed to us who believe in Him who raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead,”

Romans 6:4 “Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as **Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,** even so we also should walk in newness of life.”

Romans 8:11 “But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.”

Romans 10:9 “... that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.”

Galatians 1:1 “Paul, an apostle not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and **God the Father who raised Him from the dead,**”

Ephesians 1:17-20 “that **the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,** may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, **according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,**”

1Thessalonians 1:10 “... and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.”

1 Peter 1:3 “**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,**” [See also Romans 6:9, Romans 7:4, Colossians 2:12]

GREETINGS AND BENEDICTIONS

Romans 1:7 “To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1Corinthians 1:3 “Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

2Corinthians 1:2-3 “Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,”

Note: He is the God of Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort.

2Corinthians 13:14 “The grace of the Lord **Jesus Christ**, and the love of **God**, and the communion of the **Holy Spirit** be with you all. Amen.”

Note: God Our Father gave His Son and sends forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts (Gal. 4:6). The indwelling of the “Spirit of His Son” results in sweet communion between fellow believers. This communion is the result of the love of God and the grace of Christ, Who give to us the Holy Spirit.

Note: In this verse Paul makes reference to Christ, and God, and the Holy Spirit. If by God, He means the Trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit), then Christ and the Holy Spirit are mentioned twice and the Father only once. If by God He means the Father, then can we say that “God” is our Father in heaven?

Ephesians 1:2 “Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Ephesians 6:23 “Peace to the brethren, and love with faith, **from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Philippians 1:2 “Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

Philippians 4:19-20 “And my God shall supply all your need according to *His* riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Now to **our God and Father** be glory forever and ever. Amen.”

Colossians 1:2-3 “To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are in Colossi: Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.** We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,”

1Thessalonians 1:1 “Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in **God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:** Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

2Thessalonians 1:1-2 “Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in **God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:** Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

1Timothy 1:2 “To Timothy, a true son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace **from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.**”

Titus 1:4 “To Titus, a true son in our common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace **from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.**”

Philemon 1:3 “Grace to you and peace **from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.**”

2John 1:3 “Grace, mercy, and peace will be with you **from God the Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father,** in truth and love.”

Jude 1:1 “Jude, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, To those who are called, **sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ:**”

Revelation 1:4-6 “John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from **Him who is and who was and who is to come,** and from the seven Spirits [angels Rev. 8:2] who are before His throne, **and from Jesus Christ,** the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Conclusion: Thirteen times Paul greeted the disciples of Christ in the name of the Father and the Son. Once He prayed that the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Spirit would be with the followers of Christ. The weight is on the side of two divine beings, not three.