THE DUAL ORIGIN OF JESUS CHRIST

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- 1. **John 6:42** "And they began saying: 'Is this not Jesus the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it that now he says, "I have come down from heaven"?' "
- 2. **John 8:14-16** "I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I came from and where I am going...but the Father who sent me is with me."
- 3. John 8:23-25 " 'You are from the realms below; <u>I am from the realms above</u>. You are of this world; <u>I am not from this world</u>. Therefore I said to you, You will die in your sins. For if you do not believe that I am [he], you will die in your sins.' Therefore they began to say to him; 'Who are you?'"
- 4. **John 8:42** "Jesus said to them: 'If God were your Father, you would love me, for from God I came forth and am here. Neither have I come of my own initiative at all, but that One sent me forth."
- 5. Matthew 22:42-46 " 'What do you think about Christ? Whose son is he?' They said to him: 'David's!' He said to them: 'How, then, is it that David by inspiration calls him "Lord," saying, "Jehovah said to my Lord; sit at my right hand until I put your enemies beneath your feet."? If, therefore, David calls him "Lord," how is he His son?' And nobody was able to say a word in reply to him..."
- 6. **John 13:3** "He, knowing that the Father had given all things into [his] hands and that he came forth from God and was going away to God,..."
- 7. **John 16:28** "I came out from the Father and have come into the world. Further, I am leaving the world and am going my way to the Father."
- 8. **John 3:17** "For God sent forth his Son into the world, not for him to judge the world, but for the world to be saved through him."
- 9. I Corinthians 15:47 "The first man is out of the earth and made of dust; the second man is out of heaven."
- 10. Romans 8:3 "...God, by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh."
- 11. **I Timothy 3:16** "Indeed, the sacred secret of this godly devotion is admittedly great: 'He was made manifest in the flesh, ...was received up into glory."
- 12. **Hebrews 1:6** "But when he again brings his First-born into the inhabited earth..."
- 13. **I John 4:9** "By this the love of God was made manifest in our case, because God sent forth his only-begotten Son into the world that we might gain life through him."

THE PRE-INCARNATE APPEARANCES OF JESUS CHRIST

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When the Son of God came to earth He took upon Himself a human form of flesh and blood. He was still the very same person Who existed with the Father in heaven before He came to earth in human form. The only thing that changed, according to the Scriptures, was His "form." Whereas before He was spirit in substance (in fact Philippians 2:6 says, "He was existing in God's form"), now this spirit substance was dwelling in a permanent house of flesh and bone, which had been inherited from His physical mother, Mary, and had been handed down through King David, and beyond him, Abraham, according to many Scriptural references.

While on earth Jesus Christ the Lord manifested Himself in three ways. 1) He was a physical being who lived in His body a normal human life. 2) Secondly, however, He had a special mission. He repeatedly said He was a messenger sent from God; in fact He was a very special messenger who would speak directly on God's behalf. 3) Thirdly, as to His spiritual nature He clearly possessed Divinity, and was repeatedly worshiped as such. Now this third manifestation is viciously contested by the teachers of the Watchtower Society and, therefore of necessity, the Divinity of Christ is what we are proving in this particular study of the Scriptures.

Actually, in the pre-existence of Jesus Christ He also manifested Himself in three ways. 1) Most often He manifested Divinity, and was respected as Divine; in fact, He was repeatedly addressed as "YHWH" (Yahweh) or Elohim (God). 2) Secondly, He quite often manifested Himself as "the Angel (Messenger) of the Lord." And 3), thirdly, He sometimes simply appeared as a Man. In fact, in most of His appearances up until Sinai He appeared in human form, though He is addressed as "YHWH." Now we are going to look at those Scriptures and see the power and clarity of them! The teachers of the Watchtower Society admit that these pre-existent appearances of the one addressed as "YHWH" was indeed Jesus Christ as the "Word" of God. I will quote from them later.

Jesus was in fact the Creator of the world Who, in visible physical form, often visited and talked with man

<u>John 1:1-3</u> "In [the] beginning the Word was, and the Word was with God...This one was in the beginning with God. All things came into existence through him, and apart from him not even one thing came into existence."

<u>John 8:56-59</u> " 'Abraham your father rejoiced greatly in the prospect of seeing my day, and he saw it and rejoiced.' Therefore the Jews said to him; 'You are not yet fifty years old, **and still you have seen Abraham?**' Jesus said to them: 'Most truly I say to you, Before Abraham came into existence, I have been.' Therefore they picked up stones to hurl at him..."

The Examples

- 1. **Gen. 3:8** "Later they heard the voice of **Jehovah God** walking in the garden about the breezy part of the day, and the man and his wife went into hiding from the face of **Jehovah God** in between the trees of the garden."
- 2. **Gen. 4:9-16** "(Cain said in conversation with Jehovah) 'And from your face I shall be concealed...With that Cain went away from the face of **Jehovah.**"
- 3. **Gen. 11:5** "And **Jehovah** proceeded to go down to see the city and the tower that the sons of men had built."
- 4. **Gen. 17:1,3,22** "When A'bram got to be ninety-nine years old, then **Jehovah** appeared to A'bram and said to him; **'I am God Almighty.** Walk before me and prove yourself faultless'...At this A'bram fell upon his face, and **God** (six more times **'God'** is speaking) continued to speak with him...With that **God** finished speaking with him and **went up from** Abraham."

5. Gen 18:1-33 "Afterward Jehovah appeared to him among the big trees of Mamre...when he raised his eyes, then he looked and there three men were standing some distance from him...Then he said: 'Jehovah, if, now, I have found favor in your eyes, please do not pass by your servant...and you must have your feet washed...and refresh your hearts'...Then Jehovah said (5 more times 'Jehovah' is used)...At this point the men turned from there and got on their way to Sodom; but as for Jehovah, he was still standing before Abraham (5 additional times 'Jehovah' is used). Then Abraham approached and began to say...Is the Judge of all the earth going to do what is right?...In turn he said; 'I shall not bring it to ruin on account of the ten.' Then Jehovah went his way when he had finished speaking to Abraham..."

I can not help but make the observation right here, that if Jesus of Nazareth, as recorded in the Gospel accounts, talked like this in open plainness, and was addressed in similar manner by those sons of Abraham who believed on Him, would not the unbelieving Jews have solid grounds for accusing Him of 'making Himself God'? and in turn trying to stone Him?—just exactly as they did accuse Him and did try to stone Him?

- 6. **Gen. 19:24** "Then **Jehovah** made it rain sulfur and fire from **Jehovah**, from the heavens."
- 7. **Gen. 28:12,13** "And he began to dream, and look! there was a ladder stationed upon the earth and its top reached up to the heavens; and, look! there were God's angels ascending and descending on it. And, look! there was **Jehovah** stationed above it..."

Now see John 1:47,51 "Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said about him: 'See, an Israelite (prince with God) for a certainty, in whom there is no deceit (Jacob)'...(Jesus) further said to him: 'Most truly I say to you men, You will see heaven open up and the angels of God ascending and descending to **the Son of Man.**"

- 8. **Gen. 32:24-30** "Finally Jacob was left by himself. Then a **man** began to grapple with him until the dawn ascended...Then he said: 'Your name will no longer be called Jacob but Israel, for you have contended with **God**...hence Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, because, to quote him, 'I have seen **God** face to face and yet my soul was delivered.'"
- 9. Gen. 35:9-13 "God now appeared to Jacob once again during his coming from Paddanaram and blessed him...And God went on to say to him...And God said further to him: 'I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and bear many...' After that God went up from above him..."
- 10. **Exo. 3:2-6** "Then **Jehovah's angel** appeared to him in a flame of fire in the midst of a thorn bush...when **Jehovah** saw that he turned aside to inspect, **God** at once called to him out of the midst of the thorn bush and said...'Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place where you are standing is holy ground.' And he went on to say: **'I am the God** of your father, **the God** of Abraham, **the God** of Isaac and **the God** of Jacob.' Then Moses concealed his face, because he was afraid to look at **the** [true] **God**."
- 11. <u>Exo. 19:9-11, 20</u> "At this Jehovah said to Moses: 'Look! I am coming to you in a dark cloud...because on the third day <u>Jehovah</u> will come down before the eyes of all the people upon Mount Sinai.'...So <u>Jehovah</u> came down upon Mount Sinai to the top of the mountain."
- 12. <u>Exo. 24:9-11</u> "And Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the older men of Israel proceeded to go up, and they got to see <u>the God of Israel</u>. And under his feet there was

what seemed like a work of sapphire flagstones and like the very heavens for purity. And he did not put out his hand against the distinguished men of the sons of Israel, but they got a vision of **the [true] God** and ate and drank."

- 13. <u>Exo.32:34 & 33:14-16</u> "...Look! My angel will go ahead of you...So he (**Jehovah**) said: 'My own person will go along and I will certainly give you rest. At this he (Moses) said to him: 'If your own person is not going along, do not lead us up from here...Is it not by your going along with us, in that I and your people have been made distinct from all other people who are upon the surface of the ground?'"
- 14. <u>Exo. 33:11,18,20 & 23</u> "And <u>Jehovah</u> spoke to Moses <u>face to face</u>, just as a man would speak to his fellow...At this he said, 'Cause me to see, please, <u>your glory</u>'...'You are not able to see my face (in its glory), because no man may see me (in full glory) and yet live.' And <u>Jehovah</u> said further, '...see my back. But my face may not be seen (in its glory)."
- 15. Num. 12:6-8 "And he went on to say: 'Hear my words, please. If there came to be a prophet of yours for Jehovah, it would be in a vision I would make myself known to him. In a dream I would speak to him. Not so with my servant Moses! He is being entrusted with all my house. Mouth to mouth I speak to him, thus showing him, and not by riddles; and the appearance of Jehovah is what he beholds."
- 16. <u>Joshua 5:13-15</u> "...and there was a <u>man</u> standing in front of him with his drawn sword in his hand...'as <u>Prince of the army of Jehovah</u> I have now come.' With that Joshua fell on his face to the earth and prostrated himself...In turn the **Prince of the army of Jehovah** said to Joshua: 'Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place on which you are standing is holy.'"
- 17. <u>Judges 6:11-25</u> "Later <u>Jehovah's angel</u> came...Then Jehovah's angel appeared to him ...Upon that <u>Jehovah</u> faced him and said...In turn he said to him: 'Excuse me <u>Jehovah</u>...' But <u>Jehovah</u> said to him...Gideon said: 'Alas, **Sovereign Lord Jehovah**, for the reason that I have seen **Jehovah's angel** face to face!' But <u>Jehovah</u> said to him, 'peace be yours. Do not fear. You will not die."
- 18. <u>Judges 13:3-23</u> "In time <u>Jehovah's angel</u> appeared to the woman...Then the woman went and said to her husband: 'There was a <u>man</u> of the [true] God that came to me, and his appearance was like the appearance of the <u>angel</u> of the [true] God, very inspiring'...'Look the <u>man</u> that came the other day'...So <u>Jehovah's angel</u> said...<u>Jehovah's angel</u> said to him: 'Just why should you ask about my name, when it is a <u>wonderful</u> one?'...Then Jehovah's angel ascended in the flame of the altar...'We shall positively die, because <u>it is God that we have seen.</u>"

May these examples suffice--and there are more to be sure.

It is quite clear from these examples that the Pre-Incarnate Christ was always understood to be the appearance of 'Jehovah,' 'God,' 'the Almighty.' Due respect, fear and reverence was displayed in His presence. Yet He also was designated as the 'Angel (messenger) of the Lord,' or even on several instances as 'the Man of God.'

What is the Watchtower Explanation for this Phenomenon?

From the Watchtower book "Aid to Bible Understanding," copyright, 1971, by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society, comes an admission and explanation from their perspective. From page 918 under "Why called 'The Word'" we have this statement:

"The name (or, perhaps, title) 'The Word' (John 1:1) apparently identifies the function that God's firstborn Son performed...

Doubtless on many occasions during his prehuman existence as the Word, Jesus acted as Jehovah's Spokesman to persons on earth. While certain texts refer to Jehovah as though directly speaking to humans, other texts make clear that he did so through an angelic representative...Reasonably, in the majority of such cases God spoke through the Word."

Thus the teachers of the Watch Tower society admit that these appearances of Jehovah on earth in human form, as recorded in the Hebrew Scriptures, were in fact, the appearances of Jesus Christ, long before he was born of a virgin in Bethlehem and walked this earth as Jesus of Nazareth for some 33 years. Since, in these appearances he is repeatedly, if not always, regarded as Jehovah in person, their only explanation is to argue that those verses which also say "the angel of the Lord," identify this being as actually an angel and not really Jehovah himself. This argument falls flat for the following reasons:

1.) By this same course of logic we could also argue that it really was not an angel because a few other verses say these appearances were of "a man." If one can eliminate the problem of this person being Divine by saying it was actually an angel, then we could also eliminate the problem of the person being an angel by saying he was just a man!

Of course, everyone knows that this person was more than just a man, though that was his appearance. Likewise, everyone should know, who believes what the texts literally say, that this person was more than just an angel, though that was sometimes described as his appearance.

- 2.) In addition, on the basis of this logic one could argue that this person was not a 'man' or an 'angel,' because the texts clearly say repeatedly that he was 'Jehovah.' This deduction is far more valid than the Watchtower's because of the large preponderance of times he was clearly called and respected as Jehovah.
- 3.) Of course, the solution to the problem is to take the passages literally and conclude that Jehovah, the Son of God, often appeared either in human form as a man, or in a more awesome appearance of a powerful angel.
- 4.) In all simplicity, the Watch Tower Society cannot possibly take these passages *literally* at *face value*, because the revelation that the pre-incarnate Christ often appeared as Divine, and was respected as Divine, yet in human form, completely obliterates their false doctrine denying that Jesus Christ was Divine.
- 5.) Remember that the word angel simply means "messenger." There were an innumerable multitude of different angelic beings sent on various missions of service by God. However, none of them were ever called "Jehovah" or regarded as Divine, as was this one singular messenger!
- 6.) Please remember that the Watch Tower Society openly admits that these appearances were, in fact, the appearances of the 'WORD' in human form, and in this form he is repeatedly addressed as **GOD** or **JEHOVAH**. Then it follows that the literal translation of John 1:1 is, "and the Word was God." Not one single time was the man who appeared in the Hebrew Scriptures ever said to be "a god," but always **GOD**.

"THE DIVINE NATURE OF JESUS CHRIST

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- 1. <u>Colossians 2:8,9</u> "Look out: perhaps there may be someone who will carry you off as his prey through the philosophy and empty deception according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary things of the world and not according to Christ; because it is in him that all <u>the fullness of the divine quality dwells bodily</u>."
- 2. **John 1:1,14,18** "In [the] beginning the Word was, and the Word was with God, and the Word was a god ('and god **[theos]** was the Word'-Kingdom Interlinear Translation)...So the Word became flesh...No man has seen God at any time; the only begotten god (Greek-**Theos**) who is in the bosom [position] with the Father is the one that has explained him."
- 3. Colossians 1:15 "He is the image of the invisible God..."
- 4. <u>Philippians 2:5-7</u> "Keep this mental attitude in you that was also in Christ Jesus, who, although <u>he was existing in God's form</u>, gave no consideration to a seizure, namely, that he should ('namely, that he should'-is not in the Greek) be equal to God. No, but he emptied himself and took a slave's form and came to be in the likeness of men."
- 5. <u>John 17:5</u> "So now you, Father, <u>glorify me alongside yourself</u> with <u>the glory that I had alongside</u> <u>you</u> before the world was.
- 6. <u>Hebrews 1:3-14</u> "He (the Son of God) <u>is the reflection of [his]</u> (God's) <u>glory</u> and <u>the exact representation of his very being,</u> and he sustains all things by the word of his power; and after he had made purification for our sins he sat down on the right hand of the Majesty in lofty places...
- * to which of the angels did he every say: 'You are my son; I, today, I have become your father'? (Ps.2:7) (According to this, Christ is distinct from the angels, even though He may have appeared as one. In the same sense, though Christ appeared as a man, He is distinct from all men--He is the God-man)
- * But when he again brings his First-born into the inhabited earth, he says: 'And let all God's angels do obeisance to him (lit. 'worship him,' Deut. 32:43, Sept. & Dead Sea Scrolls)
- * But with reference to the son: 'God is your throne forever...' (in the actual Greek it reads 'the throne of you the God'-see KIT, in the Hebrew from Ps. 45:6,7 it reads, 'Your throne, God, is forever and ever.')
- * And (with further reference to the son):

'You at [the] beginning, <u>O Lord</u>, laid the foundations of the earth itself...' (from Ps. 102: 25-27, with introductory exclamation from verse 1,12 or 24, In the actual Hebrew it reads: 'But <u>you O Jehovah...'</u> [v. 12] & 'O my <u>God'</u> [v. 24]. The name 'Jehovah' is used 7 times, 'Jah' once, 'God' once and 'Lord' is never used anywhere in the whole Psalm - not even in the NWT]

- 7. <u>Matthew 1:21</u> "She will give birth to a son, and you must call his name Jesus, (<u>Jehovah is Salvation</u>), for <u>he will save</u> his people from their sins."
- 8. <u>Matthew 1:23</u> " 'Look! The virgin will become pregnant and will give birth to a son, and they will call his name **Immanuel,**' which means, when translated, '<u>With us is God</u>'."
- 9. <u>John 14:8-10</u> "...He that has seen <u>me</u> has seen the <u>Father.</u>..Do you not believe that I am <u>in union</u> <u>with the Father</u> and <u>the Father is in union with me</u>?"
- 10. John 20:28 "In answer Thomas said to him: 'My Lord and my God!

FURTHER EXAMPLES OF PROOF— OF THE DIETY OF JESUS CHRIST

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<u>Mark 1:1-4</u> "[The] beginning of the good news about <u>Jesus Christ</u>: Just as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: 'Look! I am sending forth my messenger before <u>your face</u>, who will prepare <u>your way</u>. Listen! Someone is calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way of <u>Jehovah</u>, you people, make <u>his roads</u> straight.' John the baptizer turned up in the wilderness, preaching..."

From—<u>ISAIAH 40:3,9 & 10</u> "Listen. Someone is calling out in the wilderness: 'Clear up the way of <u>Jehovah</u>, you people! Make the highway for <u>our God</u> through the desert plain straight... Do not be afraid. Say to the cities of Judah: 'Here is <u>your God</u>.' Look! <u>The Sovereign Lord Jehovah himself</u> will come, even as a strong one, and his arm shall be ruling for him..."

John 12:37-41 "But although he had performed so many signs before them, they were not putting faith in him, so that the word of Isaiah the prophet was fulfilled which said...The reason why they were not able to believe is that again Isaiah said: 'He has blinded their eyes and he has made their hearts hard, that they should not see with their eyes and get through with their hearts and turn around and I should heal them.' Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory, and he spoke about him (Jesus Christ)."

From—<u>ISAIAH 6:13-15</u> "In the year that king Uzziah died I, however, got to see <u>Jehovah</u>, sitting on a Throne lofty and lifted up...'The fullness of all the earth is <u>his glory</u>...Make the heart of this people unreceptive, and make their very ears unresponsive, and past their very eyes together, that they may not see with their eyes and with their ears they may not hear, and that their own heart may not understand and that they may not actually turn back and get healing for themselves."

<u>I Peter 2:7,8</u> "It is to you, therefore, that <u>he (Jesus Christ)</u> is precious, because you are believers; but to those not believing, 'the identical stone that the builders rejected has become [the] head of [the] corner,' and 'a stone of stumbling and a rock-mass of offense.'"

From—<u>ISAIAH 8:13-15</u> "<u>Jehovah of armies—he is the One</u> whom you should treat as holy, and he should be the object of your fear...as a stone to strike against and as a rock over which to stumble to both the houses of Israel, as a trap and a snare to the inhabitance of Jerusalem."

<u>John 5:15-26</u> "So on this account the Jews went persecuting Jesus, because he was doing these things during Sabbath. But he answered them:

- (1.) 'My Father has kept working until now, and I keep working.' On this account, indeed, the Jews began seeking more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath but he was calling God his own Father, making himself equal to God. Therefore, in answer, Jesus went on to say to them: 'Most truly I say to you, The Son cannot do a thing of his own initiative, but only what he beholds the Father doing.
- (2.) For whatever things that **One does**, these things the **Son also does in like manner**...
- (3.) For just as **the Father** raises the dead up and makes them alive, so **the Son** also makes those alive whom he wants to.
- (4.) For the Father judges no one at all, but he has committed all the judging to the Son,
- (5.) In order that all may honor **the Son** just as they honor **the Father** who sent him...
- (6.) He that does not honor <u>the Son</u> does not honor <u>the Father</u> who sent him...most truly I say to you, the hour is coming, and it is now, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who have given heed will live. For
- (7.) just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted also to the Son to have life in himself."

THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRI-UNITY IN ACTION

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- * Remember that all references to the person of the <u>Holy Spirit</u> of God should normally be capitalized. Due to the false doctrine of the Watch Tower Society, who regard the Holy Spirit to only be merely some kind of an influence, they do not capitalize those words.
- 1. The Tri-Unity in Ordination Matthew 3:16,17 "After being baptized <u>Jesus</u> immediately came up from the water; and, look! the heavens were opened up, and he saw descending like <u>a dove God's</u> <u>spirit</u> coming upon him. Look! Also, there was a <u>voice from the heavens</u> that said: 'This is my Son, the beloved, whom I have approved.'"

See also, <u>Isaiah 11:1,2</u> "And there must go forth a twig out of the stump of Jesse; and out of his roots a sprout will be fruitful. And upon him (Messiah-Christ) the spirit (Holy Spirit) of Jehovah (the Father) must settle down..."

- <u>2. The Tri-Unity in Commission</u> <u>Matthew 28:19</u> "Go therefore and make disciples of people of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the <u>Father</u> and of the <u>Son</u> and of the <u>holy spirit</u>."
- 3. The Tri-Unity in Promise John 14:16,17 "I will request the Father and he will give you another helper to be with you forever, the spirit of truth, which the world cannot receive..."
- 4. The Tri-Unity in Instruction John 14:26 "But the helper, the holy spirit, which the Father will send in my name, that one will teach you all things and bring back to your minds all the things I told you."
- <u>5. The Tri-Unity in Vision</u> <u>Acts 7:55</u> "But he, being full of <u>the holy spirit</u>, gazed into heaven and caught sight of **God's glory** and of **Jesus** standing at God's right hand."
- <u>6. The Tri-Unity in Leadership</u> <u>Acts 20:28</u> "Pay attention to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the <u>holy spirit</u> has appointed you overseers, to shepherd the congregation <u>of God</u>, which he purchased with the blood of <u>his own [Son]</u>."
- 7. The Tri-Unity in Righteousness Romans 8:3,4 "...God, by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh, that the righteous requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us who walk, not according to the flesh, but in accord with the spirit."
- 8. **The Tri-Unity in prayer Romans 15:30** "Now I exhort you, brothers, through our **Lord Jesus Christ** and through the love of **the spirit**, that you exert yourselves with me in prayers to **God** for me,"
- 9. The Tri-Unity in Cleansing I Corinthians 6:11 "But you have been washed clean, but you have been sanctified, but you have been declared righteous in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and with the spirit of our God."
- 10. **The Tri-Unity in Ministry I Corinthians 12:4,5,6** "Now there are varieties of gifts, but there is the same **spirit**; and there are varieties of ministries, and yet there is the same **Lord**; and there are varieties of operations, and yet it is the same **God** who performs all the operations in all persons."
- 11. The Tri-Unity in Preservation II Corinthians 1:21,22 "But he who guarantees that you and we belong to Christ and he who has anointed us is God. He has also put his seal upon us and has given us the token of what is to come, that is, the spirit, in our hearts."

- 12. **The Tri-Unity in Blessing II Corinthians 13:14** "The undeserved kindness of the **Lord Jesus Christ** and the love of **God** and the sharing in the **holy spirit** be with all of you."
- 13. **The Tri-Unity in Salvation Hebrews 9:14** "How much more will the blood of **Christ**, who through the **everlasting spirit** offered himself without blemish to **God**..."
- 14. The Tri-Unity in Unity Ephesians 4:4-6 "There is one spirit...one Lord...one God and Father..."
- 15. **The Tri-Unity in Approach Ephesians 2:18** "Because through **him (Christ)** we, both peoples, have the approach to the **Father** by **one spirit**."
- 16. The Tri-Unity in Strength Ephesians 3:14-17 "On account of this I bend my knees to the Father, to whom every family in heaven and on earth owes its name, to the end...to be made mighty in the man you are inside with power through his spirit, to have the Christ dwell through [your] faith in your hearts with love..."
- 17. **The Tri-Unity in Filling Ephesians 5:18-20** "...But keep getting filled with **spirit**, speaking to yourselves with psalms and praises to God...to **Jehovah**, in the name of our **Lord Jesus Christ**..."
- 18. The Tri-Unity in Foreknowledge I Peter 1:2 "According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, with sanctification by the spirit, for the purpose of their being obedient and sprinkled with the blood of Jesus Christ."
- 19. The Tri-Unity in Love Jude 20,21 "...and praying with holy spirit, keeping yourselves in God's love, while you are waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ..."
- <u>20. The Tri-Unity in Cooperation</u> <u>John 15:26</u> "When the <u>helper</u> arrives that <u>I</u> will send you from the **Father**, the **spirit of truth**, which proceeds from the **Father**, that one will bear witness about **me**."
- 21. The Tri-Unity in Mission- Isaiah 48:12-18 "Listen to me, O Jacob, and you Israel my called one. I am the same One. I am the first. Moreover, I am the last. Moreover, my own hand laid the foundation of the earth, and my own hand extended out the heavens...Come near to me, you people. Hear this. From the start I have spoken in no place of concealment at all. From the time of its occurring I have been there. And now the Sovereign Lord Jehovah himself (The Father) has sent me (Jehovah the speaker) even (Lit. in Hebrew-with) his spirit. This is what Jehovah has said, your repurchaser, the Holy One of Israel..."
- 22. **The Tri-Unity in service Isaiah 42:1-4**, fulfilled in **Matt. 12:18-21** "Look! **My** (Jehovah the Father) **servant** (Jesus Christ the Son) whom I chose, my beloved, whom my soul approved! I will put **my spirit** upon him, and what justice is he will make clear to the nations…"
- 23. The Tri-Unity in Anointing <u>Isaiah 61:1-3</u>, fulfilled in <u>Luke 4:18,19</u> "The <u>spirit</u> of the <u>Sovereign Lord Jehovah</u> is upon <u>me</u>(The Lord Jesus Christ), for the reason that Jehovah has anointed me to tell the good news to the meek ones..."
- 24. The Tri-Unity in Conclusion Revelation 22:16-18 "I, Jesus, sent my angel to bear witness to you people of these things for the congregations...And the spirit and the bride keep on saying: Come!... If anyone makes an addition to these things, God will add to him the plagues that are written in this scroll..."