

The Mighty God In Christ Jesus

Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

The Old Testament emphatically declares that there is one, only one God.

The New Testament plainly declares that Jesus is this mighty God incarnate. He was God yet he was wrapped in humanity. How can this be? The carnal nature of man has always had a problem understanding the dual nature of Jesus. Was Jesus God? How much God? Was He human? How much human? - who is Jesus Christ?

The New Testament declares how this one God took on the form of humanity and was born of a woman:

Matthew 1:23 *Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.*

The Glory of it all - the simplicity is overwhelming and yet the theologians of the world cannot and do not see it: For when the fullness of time was come, suddenly in Bethlehem of Judea --- Omnipotence and Deity fused itself with human frailty and 'Emmanuel' was born, God in the flesh, as had been foretold by the Prophets of old...

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem nearly 2000 years ago, a second person of the Godhead was not born, but: A BODY WAS BORN TO HOUSE A GOD THAT HAD ALWAYS BEEN...

SIMPLY PUT:

There is only 'ONE GOD' - this doctrine, is the oldest doctrine known to man, for it is as old as God Himself! God has manifested Himself in three different manifestations, as you can see for yourself, but there is still only 'ONE GOD'

Father of Creation

Son of Redemption

Regenerating Force of the Holy Ghost, which is none other than the Spirit of.... Jesus Christ!

1Co 12:4 *Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.*

1Co 12:5 *And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.*

1Co 12:6 *And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.*

Just as a man is a Son, a Husband, and a Father, so the Creator has manifested Himself in three different manifestations (1) The Father of Creation, (2) The Son of Redemption, & (3) The Regenerating Force in the church... when we see God we see Jesus Christ, the only visible manifestation of the invisible God of the Old Testament...

Colossians 1:15 declares him to be the image of the invisible God

Colossians 1:15 *"Who is the image of the invisible God,"*

Col 2:8 *Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.*

Col 2:9 *For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.*

Col 2:10 *And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:*

The Mainstream Truth of the Bible declares that: There is One God! And only ONE!

This revelation and understanding has its roots in the Laws of God as given to Moses in Deuteronomy:

Deu 6:4 *Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:*

Deu 32:39 *See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand.*

Deu 4:35 *Unto thee it was showed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God; there is none else beside him*

Deu 4:39 *Know therefore this day, and consider it in thine heart, that the LORD he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.*

The incarnation revealed the invisible Spirit of God to humanity:

Mat 11:27 *All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him.*

Luke 10:22 *All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him.*

These Scriptures teach us that it is a revelation imparted by Jesus Himself...

Here we begin a chain reference throughout the Bible which declares Jesus was and is the MIGHTY GOD IN CHRIST!

John 4:24 *God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.*

Gen 1:2 *And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*

These Scriptures teach us that GOD IS A SPIRIT (You cannot see a spirit)

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.*

When the Bible records “And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness” in Genesis 1:26, what exactly does it mean? Some have tried to say that because the Hebrew word ELOHIM (commonly translated “God” in our Bible) is a PLURAL word, that this verse must refer to the three persons of the Trinity being involved in Creation. Are they right? Not according to reputable Bible scholars (even Trinitarian ones)! They explain it as either a grammatical structure called; “Plurality of Majesty,” or as simply denoting the fullness of divine strength and the sum of the powers displayed by God. Monarchs regularly use “Plurality of Majesty” when speaking to the public, saying “We” and “Us” while speaking only for and of themselves. This formal mode of speaking has existed for centuries... The King of Thailand does this and also Queen Elizabeth of England in our day.

Neither was God speaking to angels to help him in creation, as the scripture clearly declares that God created all things ALONE!

Isa 44:24 *Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;*

Though Genesis 1:36 uses a plural personal pronoun, (Plurality of Majesty) - it should be noted that singular personal pronouns are used thereafter. Please note:

Genesis 1:27 - “...in his own image”...

Verse 29 - “...I have given...”

Verse 30 - “...I have given...”

Verse 31 - “...he had made...”

Genesis 2:2 is filled with singular personal pronouns:

Genesis 2:2 *And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.*

Genesis 2:8 *again uses the singular personal pronoun in reference to his having created mankind.*

Gen 2:8 *And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.*

Mal 2:10 *Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?*

Joh 1:14 *And the Word was made 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.*

The God of the Old Testament wrapped himself in the rags of humanity and dwelt among us!!!!

Rom 5:14 *Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.*

The personal pronoun 'who' refers back to Adam!

Here the Scriptures plainly declare that Adam was made in the image of Him that was to come... Who was to come? The Messiah, of course! Jesus - God in the Flesh!

The Creator looked across the 4000 year period of time and saw Christ. He fashioned Adam into that vision as surely as a sculptor looks across a room at a model and fashions his master piece... for it is written: (Adam) "...who is the figure of him that was to come."

HE BECAME LIKE US, THAT WE MIGHT BECOME LIKE HIM

No greater Love Story has ever been told nor known...

A theophany was a temporary visible manifestation of God before the incarnation:

Temporary appearance by God in the Old Testament occurred more than once as we note:

Gen 18:25 *That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?*

The Judge of all the earth is God Himself... without question! Here in this setting God appeared with two ordinary angels before Abraham in the plains of Mamre - a temporary manifestation.

Gen 32:24 *And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.*

Note that in verse 30 of this same chapter,

Gen 32:30 *And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.*

Jacob states: “...for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.” Here God took on the temporary form of an angel and wrestled with Jacob...

Dan 3:24 *Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, and spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.*

Dan 3:25 *He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God.*

When the three Hebrew Children were thrown into the fiery furnace, Nebuchadnezzar saw a 'fourth' like unto the Son of God. Here again, is a temporary manifestation of God to perform the miraculous for His Children. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego were unharmed - not even the smell of smoke was upon them, though the servants of the king were slain with the heat from the furnace as they threw them into the midst of the fire!

Ex 3:2 *And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.*

Moses turned aside to see this wonder. God in temporary Theophany manifestation spoke out of the burning bush to him.

Heb 1:1 confirms this Theophany appearance of God throughout the Old Testament in these words:

Heb 1:1 *God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets...*

These were not permanent manifestations; but a permanent manifestation was coming... why?

Redemption could only be accomplished through the incarnation.

The incarnation would bring a permanent manifestation of Omnipotence and Deity fused with human frailty. His Name the angels announced would be called Jesus and He would save His people from their sins...

The understanding begins:

Rom 8:3 *For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:*

This, then was the answer...

Heb 9:22 *And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.*

Heb 2:14 *Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;*

Heb 2:16 *For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Jesus became flesh.*

To deny this is the spirit of antichrist!

2Jn 1:7 *For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.*

Heb 10:5 *Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:*

When God manifested Himself in a permanent manifestation to this world, he did not take on himself the nature of angels, but the seed of Abraham as so stated. Hebrews 10:5 outlines clearly that 'a body hast thou prepared me.' The flesh and blood of Jesus was a body prepared to house a God (Eternal Spirit) that had always been. Now we have God in the flesh, a permanent manifestation for all time!

Acts 20:28 *Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.*

When Jesus was manifested in the flesh, it was not a second person of the Godhead come down to earth. God did not so love the world that he said, "Come Son, I love them down there so much, you go down and die for them!" Such a concept is totally spurious and absurd! In light of this truth, John 3:16 now takes on significance of meaning never considered before, for in reality it can simply read: For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten - (BODY) - that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

God did not give the blood of his son, but rather he gave his own blood exactly as Paul wrote in Acts 20:28 "...GOD, WHICH HE HATH PURCHASED WITH HIS OWN BLOOD"

If God sent a son, the second person in the godhead, to die on the cross, then He instituted CHILD SACRIFICE. This is in total disharmony with anything Biblical concerning the nature of God. God did not send his son, a second person in the godhead to die for mankind, He came Himself in the body of Jesus Christ! The body of Jesus Christ is the only visible manifestation of God we will ever see... because God is a Spirit. The incarnation provided a 'body' for that Spirit to visibly dwell in - Emmanuel, God with us in the Flesh... Colossians 2:9 states it so plainly:

"For in Him (Jesus Christ) dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

The child of the Virgin Mary was literally the Son of God!

Isa 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

Mat 1:18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost.

Here the Scriptures declare that Mary was found with child of the Holy Ghost! What right then does the Father have to claim the 'fatherhood' of the child? The only explanation that can possibly be made is that the Father and the Holy Ghost are one and the same and that the body of the child is the visible manifestation of the invisible God - God with us in the flesh!

All the power and attributes of God were manifest in Jesus Christ.

John 3:34 *For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.*

John 3:35 *The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.*

1 Tim 3:16 *And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.*

Here the Scriptures says that God was received up into Glory, not the second person in the godhead, but God Himself!

Col 1:15 *Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:*

Col 1:19 *For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;*

Col 2:9 *For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.*

This passage of Scripture declares that all the fulness of the Godhead dwells in Jesus bodily! POWERFUL! And there is no way to refute this Scriptural declaration...

Not only is the word trinity not in the bible, but the concept of a triune godhead had never been associated with the God of the Old Testament or the New Testament until the beginning of the 3rd century.

The concept of a triune god however is ancient, but pagan.

Jesus Christ revealed to us the Father because He is the Father!

John 17:4 *I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.*

John 17:5 *And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.*

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.*

1John 5:7 *For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.*

John 10:30 *I and my Father are one.*

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, Show us the Father?*

John 14:10 *Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.*

Jesus is the Comforter, the Holy Ghost!!!!

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

John 14:17 *Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*

John 14:18 *I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.*

Not a third person of a triune godhead!!! The Holy Ghost is.... Jesus!!!

Jesus is the great "I AM" !

Exo 3:13 *And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them?*

Exo 3:14 *And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.*

Exo 3:15 *And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever, and this is my memorial unto all generations.*

Now notice in the New Testament:

John 8:51 *Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.*

John 8:52 *Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death.*

John 8:53 *Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself?*

John 8:54 *Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:*

John 8:55 *Yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you: but I know him, and keep his saying.*

John 8:56 *Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad.*

John 8:57 *Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham?*

John 8:58 *Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.*

When Jesus declared this statement, He declared himself to be God!

JESUS is the First and the last!

Rev 1:10 *I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,*

Rev 1:11 *Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.*

Rev 1:17 *And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:*

Rev 2:8 *And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;*

Rev 22:13 *I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.*

Isa 44:6 *Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.*

Isa 44:7 *And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them.*

Isa 44:8 *Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.*

1John 1:1 *That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;*

Who was it that they heard, saw, looked upon, handled, the Word of life? None other than Jesus Christ!

1John 2:14 *I have written unto you, fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.*

1John 5:20 *And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.*

The Bible is declaring here that Jesus Christ is the 'true God'... Wonderful to know who He is...

1John 3:16 *Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.*

The Bible says that God laid down His life for us, not a son, a second person in the Godhead!

John 1:1 *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

John 1:14 *And the Word was made 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.*

Who was it that dwelt among us? Whose glory did we behold? - None other than Jesus Christ! Wonderful to know who He is...

At Calvary the Holy Spirit of God withdrew as His body took on our sins.

Mat 28:18 *And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.*

This statement makes Him God!

Mat 27:46 *And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?*

Once the Sacrificial Lamb had shed His blood, the body had served its purpose, and the Spirit of the Lord began to withdraw... the flesh cried out feeling this withdrawal in the lamentation of "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Jesus had said as you remember, "I lay down my life and I take it again..." He is the only One that could have done such a thing; BECAUSE HE WAS GOD IN THE FLESH!

Luke 23:46 And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

Jesus gave His life - He gave his only begotten body. The Spirit of God did not die, it is eternal and cannot die, only the flesh that He became died.

Some cannot understand how it is that Jesus prayed. This is easy to explain if you believe in the dual nature of the godhead

Psa 65:2 O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

The fleshly nature of Jesus was praying to the deity. It was not a co-equal person praying to another co-equal person – how then would they be co-equal?

As God, he answered prayer. As human he prayed.

As God he walked on the water. As human he became weary.

As God He fed the five thousand. As human he hungered

As God he forgave sins. As human, he died.

John 2:18 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?

John 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

John 2:20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?

John 2:21 But he spake of the temple of his body.

John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

Scripture could accurately read, “Therefore doth my Father (Spirit) love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

Wherever in the New Testament the word Father is used, you can mentally lift out the word Father and put in Spirit and wherever the word Spirit is used, you can mentally lift out the word Spirit and put in Father... Because they are one and the same!

Powerful Old Testament witnesses to the truth of only One God and that the God of the Old Testament and the Jesus of the New Testament are one and the same!

NO TRINITY OF PERSONS!

Isa 43:10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

Isa 43:11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

Isa 44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

Isa 44:8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.

Isa 44:24 Thus saith the LORD, thy redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb, I am the LORD that maketh all things; that stretcheth forth the heavens alone; that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;

Isa 45:5 I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

Isa 45:6 That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else.

Isa 45:18 For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD; and there is none else.

Isa 45:21 Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

Isa 45:22 Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

Isa 45:23 I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. Jesus said also that to Him every knee shall bow and every tongue shall swear or confess...

Php 2:9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

Php 2:10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

Php 2:11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Isa 46:9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

Isa 48:11 *For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it: for how should my name be polluted? and I will not give my glory unto another.*

Isa 48:12 *Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last. Again, Jesus took this statement to Himself!*

Isa 52:6 *Therefore my people shall know my name: therefore they shall know in that day that I am he that doth speak: behold, it is I.*

Never, ever, was God a plurality of PERSONS!

Job 13:5 *O that ye would altogether hold your peace! and it should be your wisdom.*

Job 13:6 *Hear now my reasoning, and hearken to the pleadings of my lips.*

Job 13:7 *Will ye speak wickedly for God? and talk deceitfully for him?*

Job 13:8 *Will ye accept his person? will ye contend for God?*

Job 13:9 *Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another, do ye so mock him?*

Job 13:10 *He will surely reprove you, if ye do secretly accept persons.*

Mat 1:21 *And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.*

1 Timothy 2:5-6 *For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; who gave himself a ransom for all*

Have you ever driven along highways and seen high voltage lines with signs that say, Keep Out - Danger? Most of us have... If a wire was run directly from the high voltage lines to your house or any house, it would blow it up! So they come and set a pole near your house and hang upon it a 'Transformer' - a wire is run from the High Voltage line to the transformer and the power is reduced - a wire is then run from the 'Transformer' into your home and you are able to enjoy a power that will not harm you...

If God had come into this world in all of His Power and Glory, He would have consumed us... But a 'body' of flesh and blood became a 'Transformer' to reduce the Power! Jesus came and He was hung upon a tree. In so doing, He became our 'Transformer' and we can look upon Him, Hear Him, Touch Him, Handle Him, and Enjoy His Power that will neither harm nor consume us... Greater love hath no man than this, that He would lay down His life for his friends... The Greatest Love Story Ever Told!!!

Down from His glory,
Ever living story,
My God and Savior came,
And Jesus was His name.

Born in a manger,
To His own a stranger,
A Man of sorrows, tears and agony.

O how I love Him! How I adore Him!
My breath, my sunshine, my all in all!
The great Creator became my Savior,
And all God's fulness dwelleth in Him.

What condescension,
Bringing us redemption;
That in the dead of night,
Not one faint hope in sight,
God, gracious, tender,
Laid aside His splendor,
Stooping to woo, to win, to save my soul.

Without reluctance,
Flesh and blood His substance
He took the form of man,
Revealed the hidden plan.
O glorious mystery,
Sacrifice of Calvary,
And now I know Thou art the great "I AM."