

No Man Hath Seen God

Do you believe that the God of the Old Testament is the One that Jesus referred to as the Father, as Jesus is the God of the New Testament? Reading the scriptures, we observe man seeing and hearing the God of the Old Testament and Jesus Christ of the New Testament throughout the writings. Yet the scriptures actually reveal something totally different from what you may have expected. For those that have ears to hear and eyes to see examine what the Bible reveals.

Note: Before proceeding further, the actual name of God the Father is the Hebrew name, Yah, of Jesus, the Hebrew name, Yahshua.

John 1:1~4 In the beginning was the **Word**, and the Word was **with** God, and **the Word was God**. The same (*the Word*) was in the beginning **with** God. **All things were made by him** (*the Word*); and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

*Here is evidence that the one Being, also known as God...the One who created all things...was the **Word**. Let us further define who is the **Word**?*

Jn 1:14 And the **Word** was **made flesh** and **dwelt among us**, and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only **begotten of the Father**, full of grace and truth.

*Now two beings have been confirmed: **The Father** and the **Word** who became flesh and blood. He is called the only begotten of The Father. This would obviously be the One who became the Savior of the world, Yahshua (Jesus the Christ). Scripture states that Christ came down from heaven and that it was the Father who sent Him.*

Jn 1:15~18 John (*The Baptist*) bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. **No man hath seen God at any time**; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.

*Notice the first of many scriptures start a spinning action of confusion...or do they? Yahshua, the Christ is quoted as saying that “**no man hath seen God at any time**” except Himself, the only begotten Son of the Father. Yet there are many references of man seeing and hearing the God of the Old Testament. The Book of Exodus says that after God spoke to man from Mount Sinai, He called up to Himself Moses and 70 elders of Israel.*

Ex 24: 8~11 And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words. Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel: **And they saw the God of Israel**: and there was under his feet as it were a paved work of a sapphire stone, and as it were the body of heaven in his clearness. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand: also **they saw God**, and did eat and drink.

Another example is of Jacob seeing the God of the Old Testament after he wrestled with Him throughout the night.

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.

But as we proceed in the New Testament we read of Yahshua (Jesus the Christ) testifying that no man has seen the Father at any time. Are the scriptures in conflict? Is Yahshua the Christ lying to us, or do I hold a misconception of a truth being revealed? Read again what Yahshua says about the Father and His appearance.

In 5: 31~38 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true. There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true. Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth. But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved. He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light. But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which **the Father** hath given me **to finish**, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that **the Father** hath sent me. 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 ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

*Wow! What a powerful statement by Yahshua about God the Father declaring that **none have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.***

In 6:44~46 No man can come to me, except **the Father** which hath sent me **draw him**: and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of **the Father**, cometh unto me. **Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.**

*Not only are Yahshua's sayings hard for them to understand, but are also often hard for us to understand because we are ignorant of the written truth, being unable to accept these same statements: "**Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.**" What is going on...what is Yahshua saying to us?*

Mt 11: 25~30 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, **O Father**, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast **hid** these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, **Father**: for so it seemed good in thy sight. **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.** Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and **learn of me**; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Lk 10: 21~22 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, **O Father**, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast **hid** these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight. **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.**

*Yahshua boldly states that no one has ever heard the voice of the Father at any time, nor seen his shape. And the fact that a revelation must be given to those being called, noting that: "**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.**" So the son, Yahshua the Christ, must be revealed to those being called, as is the Father to us through the Son. But don't we all know who The Father is...the God of the Old Testament?*

1Tim 1:15~17 This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief. Howbeit for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them **which should hereafter believe** on him to life everlasting. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, **invisible**, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

*Paul, the author of the letter to Timothy, completes his statement exalting God the Father as being the King eternal, the immortal God, **the invisible God**, the only wise God, to Him be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. Paul declares God the Father as being **invisible**, something unable to be seen.*

Col. 1:12~17 Giving thanks unto the Father, which has made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and has translated us into the **kingdom of His dear Son**; in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins; **who is the image of the Invisible God**, the firstborn of every creature; for by Him (*Yahshua the Christ*) were **All Things Created** that are in heaven and that are in earth, visible or invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; **all things were created by Him** and for Him; and He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.

*Paul states that Yahshua is the only begotten of God the Father who is the image of this **Invisible God**. Once again the apostle Paul is declaring that **God the Father is invisible**, and that Yahshua only hath immortality, dwelling in the light of the Father which no man can approach; that no man hath seen, nor can see.*

1Tim 6:13~16 I give thee charge in the sight of **God**, who quickeneth all things, and Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession; That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: **Which in his times he shall shew**, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; Who only hath immortality, **dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see:** to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.

1Jn 4:7~13 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and **every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God**. He that loveth not **knoweth not God**; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, **that we might live through him**. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. **No man hath seen God at any time**. If we love one another, **God dwelleth in us**, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, **because he hath given us of His Spirit**.

*God the Father is the Supreme Being in the universe. He is the One who is the Father of Yahshua (Jesus the Christ), and also the spiritual Father of all true believers. **The Holy Spirit is...His Spirit, the power and essence of God the Father**. In the truest sense, The Holy Spirit is a direct reference to God Himself... expressive of **His power**. It is this very part of the Father which is described as begetting or endowing **Himself** to His children on earth. In other words, God the Father actually imparts a measure of **Himself** to each of those human beings that He chooses to convert. This in fact is the very thing that gives a man or woman the power to know God, to believe God, to trust God, to understand His Word, to obey Him and please Him. Without this special power of His Holy Spirit placed into the minds of human beings, we would merely remain carnal minded and go to our graves in the same manner as any animal. Thus, man without the indwelling power of **His Holy Spirit**, is utterly incapable of anything beyond the mere temporary, limited capacity of this physical life. **Eternal life is not possible through anything that man can achieve. It is a given gift of grace by our Creator.***

1Jn 4:20 If a man say, I love God, and **hateth his brother**, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, **how can he love God whom he hath not seen?**

Jn 4:21~24 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall **worship the Father in spirit and in truth**: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. **God Is Spirit**: and they that worship him must worship him **in spirit and in truth**.

Scripture shows that Yahshua the Christ testifies multiple times that no one has seen God the Father, the presumed God of the Old Testament at any time other than Himself. If no man has ever seen the Father (Yah), the accepted God of the Old Testament, then who or what God did Moses and others see and talk to? Remember as stated, **God the Father is Spirit...invisible**, an unapproachable light; that His Spirit is Holy, ergo The Holy Spirit is that living Spirit dwelling in those he calls and endows Himself to.

Act 5: 29~32 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to **obey God rather than men**. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also **The Holy Spirit, whom God hath given to them that obey him**.

*This is our test. If we fail to hear and take to heart the written words of scripture and follow them, what other course do we have? Am I to follow man's conceived doctrines...or those of Yah, God the Father, according to the **Word**, His son Yahshua, in understanding scriptural truth?*

Ps 40:4 Blessed is that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

Ps 118:8 It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

*It is clearly evident that the Scriptures state that **no man has ever seen God the Father** at any time, **nor heard His voice**; that He is **invisible**, unapproachable light, revealed as being **Spirit** dwelling in heaven. Do we continue in our error or do we seek the truth? The quandary now before us asks; **Who is the God of the Old Testament?** Who was the one that created the world, who walked with Adam and Eve in the garden? Who was the one that talked to Abraham, who spoke to Moses and was seen by him? Who was He that was called My Lord by David, who was heard by the prophets of old?*

*We have come to a fork in the road of understanding, with the stated intent of biblical Scripture given by our Creator colliding against decades of manmade doctrine handed down from generation to generation that is both unquestioned and unsubstantiated. One can believe the Scriptures, that of Yahshua's own words testifying that **no man has ever seen God the Father at any time, nor heard His voice**, and those of the prophets and apostles or disregard it, declaring Yahshua the Christ as a liar, together with false witnesses. Or we can postpone the issue, labeling it hidden, a mystery, an unknown, skipping over such verses while preserving our preconceived ideas awaiting the end of time to be revealed the truth.*

*Yet there is still another possibility, unthinkable as it may be; that I'm void of what the Holy Scriptures are really saying and hold a misconception of the truth? That upon further study the revelation of the God of the Old Testament will follow and how that fact ties into Yah's (God's) plan of salvation that will profoundly affect each one of us. The question now placed before us remains: **Who is the God of the Old Testament?***

*The reader is implored to continue this study, opening our minds, to what Scripture truly reveals as to who is...The God of the Old Testament. Please write for the Study; ... "**The God of the Old Testament.**"*

"The man that does not correct an error commits another error"

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