

Oneness Theology

How to Understand and Respond

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Confusing Use of Biblical Language

Our Beliefs



About the Bible

The Bible is the infallible Word of God and the authority for salvation and Christian living. (See II Timothy 3:15-17.)

About God

There is one God, who has revealed Himself as our Father, in His Son Jesus Christ, and as the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ is God manifested in flesh. He is both God and man. (See Deuteronomy 6:4; Ephesians 4:4-6; Colossians 2:9; I Timothy 3:16.)

About Sin and Salvation

Everyone has sinned and needs salvation. Salvation comes by grace through faith based on the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ. (See Romans 3:23-25; 6:23; Ephesians 2:8-9.)

About the Gospel

The saving gospel is the good news that Jesus died for our sins, was buried, and rose again. We obey the gospel (II Thessalonians 1:8; I Peter 4:17) by repentance (death to sin), water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ (burial), and the baptism of the Holy Spirit with the initial sign of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance (resurrection). (See I Corinthians 15:1-4; Acts 2:4, 37-39; Romans 6:3-4.)

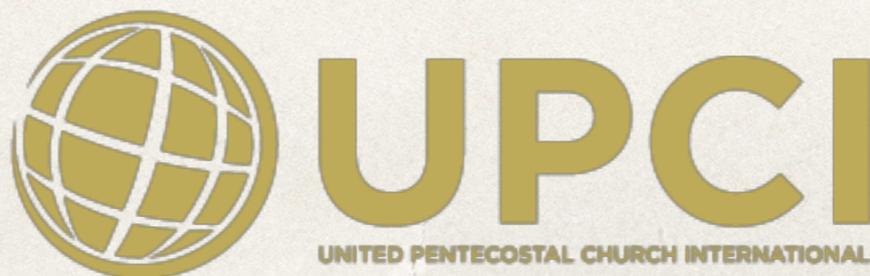
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“The God against whom we sinned is the One who forgives us. God loved us so much that He came in flesh to save us. He gave of Himself; He did not send someone else. Moreover, our Creator-Savior is also the indwelling Spirit who is ever-present to help us. God told us how to live and then came to live among us. He showed us how to live in the flesh and laid down His human life to purchase our salvation. Now He abides within us and enables us to live according to His will.

Jesus Christ is the one God incarnate, and in Him we have everything we need: healing, deliverance, victory, and salvation. By recognizing the almighty God in Jesus Christ, we restore correct biblical belief and experience apostolic power.”



- **Malachi 2.10 is being taken out of context.**
- **Mr. Bernard assumes “one” means numerical singularity and not united plurality (Genesis 2.24; Exodus 24.3).**

“If there is only one God and that God is the Father (Malachi 2:10), and if Jesus is God, then it logically follows that Jesus is the Father.”

The Oneness of God, Volume I, p.66

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- **The fundamental question of “oneness” is simply dismissed.**
- **Note Mr. Bernard’s claim: Jesus was the Son in His humanity and the Father in His deity.**
- **Oneness theology does not see the Son, distinct from the Father, as divine.**

“(Quoting John 10:30) Some try to say that He was one *with* the Father much as a husband and wife are one or as two men can be one in agreement. This interpretation attempts to weaken the force of the assertion Jesus made. However, other verses fully support that Jesus was not only the Son in His humanity but also the Father in His deity.”

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- **Where does Scripture talking about multiple natures in one person?**
- **Where does Scripture speak of Jesus having a human and divine “side”?**
- **Note that Oneness theology sees Jesus as both the Father and Son.**

“We can easily understand all of this if we realize that Jesus had a dual nature. He is both Spirit and flesh, God and man, Father and Son. On His human side He is the Son of man; on His divine side, He is the Son of God and is the Father dwelling in flesh.”

The Oneness of God, Volume I, pp.69-70

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- **Note how the concept of two natures within Jesus takes on an almost puppet-master role, with one nature controlling the other.**
- **With this concept of multiple natures within the person of Jesus, who is the author of eternal salvation according to Hebrews 5.8-9?**

“The humanity of Christ prayed, cried, learned obedience, and suffered. The divine nature was in control and God was faithful to His own plan, but the human nature... had to learn obedience to the divine plan.”

The Oneness of God, Volume I, p.95

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• **Who was praying, and to whom, in Luke 23. 46?**

“The term *Father* refers to God Himself—God in all His deity. When we speak of the eternal Spirit of God, we mean God Himself, the Father. God the Father, therefore is a perfectly acceptable and biblical phrase to use for God (Titus 1:4). However, the Bible does not use the term “God the Son” even one time. It is not a correct term because the Son of God refers to the humanity of Jesus Christ [emphasis TS]... The Son of God is not a separate person in the Godhead, but the physical expression of the one God.

The Oneness of God, Volume I, pp.98-99

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Who died on the cross?

- A. A body
- B. Only a human
- C. The Father
- D. The divine Son of God

“We can say the Son died, but we cannot say the Father died. The deity in the Son is the Father. Although we do not believe that the Father is the Son, we do believe that the Father is in the Son (John 14:10). Since Jesus is the name of the Son of God, both as to His deity as Father and as to His humanity as Son, it is the name of both the Father and the Son.”

The Oneness of God, Volume I, p.127

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