

“THERE IS ONE GOD”

INTRODUCTION

The scriptures abundantly declare there there IS a God in heaven, there is but one God, and there is one God. Paul so declared “There is One God” in 1 Tim. 2:5. Some of the words here are *italicized* (supplied by the translators, to make the thought complete, which amounts to a translation of the original language which requires proper words to give us the thought of the passage. These words are in harmony with the writings of the scripture through the Old and New Testaments. The word “God” is found abundantly in scripture, and Young’s Concordance takes over 10 pages to list the scripture references where it is found in the Bible.

In this lesson, we shall affirm the truthfulness of the scripture that “There is One God”, by looking at the testimony of the created universe, and the testimony of scripture (the Book of God).

DISCUSSION

I. 1st, the Testimony of the universe says “THERE IS ONE GOD”.

- A. The atheists of the world choose to deny God’s existence who is over all as the ONE God.
1. Notable enemies of God have long denied His very existence.
 2. One of the most notable recent unbelievers was the late Dr. Antony Flew of England, who powerfully debated against there being any God at all.
 - a. Before his death in the early part of this century, Dr. Flew wrote a book with the title, “*There is No God*” across the front, with a line marked through the word “No” and a very emphatic “A” just above it.
 - b. He explained that the discovery of DNA has convinced him that there absolutely **has** to be a God somewhere, because of the design of man himself and other things in the universe.
 - c. He acknowledged the existence of God, but said he wasn’t sure it was the God of the Bible, and it is sad that he left this earth before he came to know His real existence.
- B. It is unreasonable to believe that One of the many so-called “gods” just MIGHT be the living and true God, without acknowledging the One true God who reveals Himself in the Bible.
1. There is no proof of any other God who has made His wisdom and Power known through His miracles and works as recorded in the Bible.
 2. The God of the Bible is contrasted with the many gods that men imagine and create for themselves, that have no power or life within them.
 3. The One God of the Bible manifests Himself in the very existence of the universe, so man is without excuse for not knowing His existence. Gen. 1:1; Rom. 1:19-20
 - a. God formed the millions of heavenly bodies that man cannot even begin to number , much less duplicate. Gen. 1:14-18
 - b. The heavens declare God’s glory, and each star responds to the name God has given to each of the zillions of stars in the sky. Ps. 147:4-5
 - c. The stars testify to God’s existence. Psa.19:1-6
 - d. God is SO wise and powerful that all He had to to form the splendid universe was to “speak” and use the words “let there be”, and it all came about. Heb. 11:3; Psa. 33:6-9
 4. Only a fool would say, “There is NO God.” Psa. 14:1

II. 2nd, the Testimony of the Bible says “THERE IS ONE GOD.”

- A. Much has been written by learned men to confirm the existence of God, but there is ONE book that stands out among them that God has written, which is the BIBLE.

1. This book contains many smaller books, that date from around 2500 B. C. till 96 A.D., from the book of Job till the book of Revelation by the apostle John.
2. These books were written by inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and NOT the wisdom of all the writers combined. 1 Cor. 2:1, 6-13
3. The individual writers of each of the 66 books of the Bible were from all parts of the world, and many did not know or hear of the others, BUT their writings were so written that each one filled a part of the divine will of God, so that when put together with the other books they fit together in perfect harmony, like fingers on a glove.
4. The writers lived in different times, and were men of all walks of life, such as shepherds, fishermen, tax collectors and kings.
5. Their writings were through God's own direct guidance of the Holy Spirit, Who came to move them to write God's will without contradiction. 2 Sam. 23:2; 2 Pet. 1:19-21; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 1:3

B. Other testimony for or against God's existence fades into nothing when compared with the Bible itself.

CONCLUSION

- I. What more do we need to believe in the existence of a Mighty God, than that which we have—the Creation of the universe, and the Word of God in the Bible.
 - A. By the creation which all can observe as undeniable and reasonable, we are not excused for failing to realize the existence of God.
 - B. The Bible holds us accountable for the message of God's Son, by which we shall be judged in the last day. John 3:16; 12:48
- II. The purpose of God's testimonies is the redemption of fallen man from the clutches of the devil.
 - A. God requires that we come to know and believe on His Son who is revealed in scripture.
 - B. God also requires that we repent of sins, and be immersed in the waters of baptism, to figuratively come in contact with the shed blood of the Savior who came to save. Acts 8:37; Mark 16:15-16

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