

# ANSWERING THE GREATEST QUESTIONS

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Why am I here, and where am I going? Who am I? Really, who am I? Is there a secret to life and human existence? No religion or philosophy has EVER answered these questions!! The TRUTH of WHO IS JESUS does!! When Jesus says in John 14:6 that “He is the way, the truth, and the life”, what does that really mean? Where do you personally and individually fit into the grand design of God? Read on.

God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit--the Triune God--has always existed in face-to-face relationship with each other, enmeshed one in the other so that these three actually are just one God.

This God decided to create a cosmos, universe, and humans in order to share His great love with others and to invite and involve this creation of humans INTO His very life and existence. This plan to include man into the life of God by adopting man and creating union with God Himself was planned for in the coming of God to man in the form of a human being named Jesus who was the Word of God from all Eternity. So before anything was created in the cosmos, God's plan for humans individually and personally—you included—was in place. (Ephesians 1:3-14). This was God's plan and purpose originally.

With Adam sinning and bringing the death penalty on all humans, i.e. all dying in Adam—1 Corinthians 15:22, the payment for man's sins now would take place in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. This life of Jesus would give all mankind who were dead in Adam, life now in Jesus. (Romans 5:18) And not only would it give life, but Jesus' life living in man and man being counted sinless and guiltless and righteous in Jesus. What Jesus did to the cosmos, to the creation, to humanity, and to ALL things was to reconcile all to Himself through His shed blood on the cross. (Colossians 1:19-20) In practical fact, Jesus UNDOED what Adam had done and through His life, death, resurrection and ascension established a NEW CREATION which is now new in Himself—new in Jesus.

Further, Jesus enters our darkness with us, is MADE Sin for us and in our place, (11 Corinthians 5:21) reconciles us to Himself and does not ever count our sins against us (verse 19). Jesus even tastes our death for us, (Hebrews 2:9), and raises us up with Him in resurrection to live in this NEW LIFE—now—and seats us with Him at the Father's right hand. (Ephesians 2:6)

When God devised this plan originally, He was absolutely intent on NOTHING coming between Himself, His creation and man, with nothing thwarting this plan of His. Remember God has all power and can accomplish what He planned. And He has. “It is finished” Jesus said in John 19:30.

When we consider that Almighty God is a LOVING FATHER and we are his children who He desires to share His glorious life with, we can begin to look at our Father with the love, appreciation, worship, and thankfulness He deserves.

Unfortunately, religion and western Christianity has not portrayed our Father in Heaven in this light in the past. God has been viewed as some type of 'judge and executioner' who would just as soon cast His kids into a fiery furnace as not. Religion has not pictured God as one with whom we would love and enjoy an INTIMATE relationship. God is distant, unknowable, austere, demanding, punishing, vindictive, unapproachable, judgmental, and angry with us. Even so called 'great sermons' have been preached in the past on sinners being in the hands of an ANGRY GOD. People have been scared off from Christianity because of the fear of following that type of God. Jesus reveals a far different Father. Jesus says that He knows the Father and that the Father and He have loved each other from eternity with a love so beautiful that it is hard to describe. And, here is the really good news--that God the Father loves each of us JUST LIKE HE LOVES JESUS!!!!!!!!!!!! That means YOU, too!!!

In answering the questions posed at the start of this article, Jesus is God!! The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are ONE. You are the son or daughter the Father has ALWAYS loved and wanted to be with Him forever. You are adopted into the life and family of God and were from BEFORE THE CREATION. You were in the original 'blue print' of God. So, you are special, special to God. You are not outside, but inside! Here is some more really good news...you didn't do anything to get yourself in this relationship any more than you did anything to get yourself born of your physical mother, and you can't do anything to get yourself OUT of this relationship you are in with God the Father now.

The benefits of this truth are STAGGERING! What God has planned for you and all mankind is INDESCRIBEABLE. No human terms can begin to paint the picture of the joy, happiness, fun and pleasure God has for His children for all eternity. (Psalm 16:11) Some even call this heaven.

Does this sound like something you would like to know more about? We have only scratched the surface here. Would you like to know more of this Truth? Do you want to get rid of the guilt, the angst, the discouragement, depression, fear, insecurity, and lack of assurance in your life? The real Jesus is the answer. Jesus said in John 8:31-32, "you shall know the Truth and the truth shall set you free." And it does!

You are probably thinking that this sounds too good to be true, and you are RIGHT if you use human reasoning influenced by the 'father of lies'. But in our Heavenly Father's thinking, it is that good. That is why it's called, THE GOOD NEWS!