

## POWERFUL RIGHTEOUS ATTITUDE

There are two modern words that defines God that are not even in the Bible. "Attitude" and "Character" is not translated from ancient literature. These two words following the descriptive word "righteous" describes the God of the Bible. We are told in the Bible that God is a spirit. Christ explained that the spirit is invisible but the result of a spirit can be seen. We cannot see a person's attitude but we can see the result of an attitude as it is demonstrated. This study is to explore God as an all powerful Creator, a Spirit, a Consuming Fire, a God of pure Love, Light, and Life. It will also explore "the spirit in man" and how it differs from God's spirit. The Bible tells of many different kinds of spirits. We will explore how these spirits relate to "Attitude" and "Character".

We will address some difficult questions such as:

How can God be with God and still be God? Jn 1:1-3 How can God be everywhere at the same time? How can Jesus be "within" us and be in heaven, too? How can God be Jesus' father if Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit? Would not the Holy Spirit be Jesus' father?

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 (Spirit).

How can the Son of God (Jesus Christ) pray to God the Father and state to his disciples that He is the Father? Jn. 14:8-9 And why does the Son of God refer to himself as "the son of man" as well as "the son of God"? How can we accept Is. 43:11, and 44:6,8 that says there is no other God but the one who created all things and at the same time accept Jn1:3 that says Jesus made all things? And what do we do with Rev.1:8 that says, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and ending which is and which was and which is to come, the Almighty." Who is the God of the old Testament, the Father or Jesus, the son?

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. Jesus referred to himself as "I" in some instances and at other times he used the term "son of man" and other times "he" as though he was talking about a second person? Mr 9:12, 14:21

Lu 18:31 Then he took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished (fulfilled).

32 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: And they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.

When the Spirit of God spoke from within the human form He often used the word "he" while referring to the events the body of flesh would experience. This was why Jesus, the human flesh part, cried out to God, "not my will but thine be done" just prior to his death. However, the God within the flesh spoke at other times with authority and power even to raising the dead to life. When Jesus said he had no power of his own, the flesh was talking. When He had power over the waves, and of death to raise the dead, God was speaking.

Can we separate the "spirit of truth" from God being different from Jesus or the holy spirit, all three are referred to as the truth?

Jn 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

Jn 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

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

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.

18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

Jesus was telling them, "because I'll be resurrected to life (after my death) you will also be able to be resurrected to eternal life after your physical death.

20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

But the Comforter, which is the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, (by my authority) he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Just as Jesus often referred to himself as "he" the same term, "he" is used toward the Holy Spirit. Jesus also identifies the comforter as being "the holy spirit". Is not God also the "spirit of truth" and doesn't Christ promise He will "come to you"? In view of these scriptures, how can these three references be separate personalities or beings? To find the answers to these questions we go to the scriptures.

First we will discuss the name or title of The Almighty Spirit who says one of His names is "I Am" in Gen 3:14. A name is nothing more than a sound we make with our voice when referring to the Great Power as Jehovah, Adonai, Hosanna, Emmuel, Lord, Eternal, El, Eloah, Elohim, etc. Even "Jesus" means "Saviour". A name is a sound that is pronounced differently, by different nationalities, depending on their language. When one claims that we all must use only one sound they should realize that most names we use are descriptive names. When referring to God we use names that identifies an all powerful "authority". When we speak in The Great Creator's name, we speak by His authority, His support, and His approval, not by a particular sound we make with our vocal cords. It is not by the sounds we speak that determines the word everyone is to use when referring to His name. When the translators of the original manuscripts recorded the words given to them they wrote in their particular languages. When God confused the languages of the nations He gave no command to the scattered people that only one sound would identify His name. Because of this, and because we're most familiar with the term "God" we'll use the term "God".

God tells us He is Spirit. So we will study how this Spirit operates. We know that spirit is invisible to the physical eye. However, from scripture, we find there are many different kinds of "spirits" (attitudes). There are righteous and unrighteous. Because of varying attitudes we can see different personalities.

Jn.3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, (water: representing cleansing. Spirit: representing Godly attitude) he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

Jesus describes being "born again" as being an invisible state. Whether one is "begotten" or "born" of the spirit that change cannot be seen by the physical eye. However, the results can be seen by a change in "attitude".

Mt 26:41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Jesus explains that we as humans have little Godly power. We, in our physical condition, may have a willing attitude, but we need help from the Greater Godly Spirit to overpower the pulls of “the spirit in man”.

1Co 2:11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

1Co 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Paul explains that there is a “spirit in man” a different attitude than that of God’s spirit. “The natural man” has a wrong attitude of “that’s foolishness” when it comes to understanding righteous attitude, why? Because man looks at things from a physical, carnal vantage point. Because God is all powerful, He can manifest Himself in any form that suits His purpose. A perfect example of this is what He did when He planted Himself inside a woman and presented Himself in the likeness of a human being for the purpose of communicating His “Word” to the entire world of humans. The world assumed that He was carnal, as they were carnal, (by His outward appearance), not recognizing Him as the perfect attitude that He was. Because of His Godly immutable attitude sinning was not an option. His goal was to set a perfect example of love and sacrifice, and introduce Himself to the world. Heb.6:17-18 Let’s look at a few examples of “attitude”:

Lu 1:80 And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit,..  
Jesus’ spirit (Godly attitude) grew strong...

Lu 9:42 And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father. Satan also is a spirit of power, subject to the higher power. Satan’s attitude is to deceive and destroy.

Lu 9:55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit (attitude) ye are of.  
Jesus refers to their carnal, revengeful attitude.

Lu 10:21 In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and ..  
Jesus had an attitude of joy.

Lu 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit (God’s attitude) to them that ask him?  
Jesus explains that the holy spirit is a gift. But in Acts 2:38 we find certain conditions this gift demands.

Joh 11:33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled, Jesus had an attitude of deep sadness and trouble.

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.  
Jesus explains that he is the spirit of truth. He also claims to “dwell” with them, being “in”them. Unconverted people cannot understand the truth but those who know Him, (cultivate the same attitude that He has) can know the truth.

John 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Jesus explains: When the right attitude of truth (Holy Spirit), the righteous attitude is made available to man, He will reveal truth and future events to man.

Ro.8:9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.

Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

Paul explains that one who has the attitude of God belongs to Christ.

The Spirit of Christ then must also be the Spirit of God which can “dwell in you”. What then is this “spirit” if it is not a righteous attitude? This scripture shows that the spirit of God and the spirit of Christ is the same spirit (attitude). It also shows there is NOT a “TRINITY” of spirits. As we study God’s words we see that Jesus is God, the Father is God, and the holy spirit is the prevalent righteous attitude of God, we find the three references all become one God. We also find that we, as sinful humans, can also have God within us.

Ro 8:10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Ro 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Jesus said that HE had the power to resurrect himself.

Joh 10:18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

So we see that God’s Holy Spirit and the spirit of Jesus is the same spirit which is required before one can be resurrected to eternal life. Jesus’ attitude was one of truth, total commitment and sacrifice, done in the attitude of love. His life exemplified all the fruits of the spirit found in Gal.5:22-23. Because Jesus was without sin we see the results, a righteous attitude resulting in a righteous character.

Ro 8:13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.

In other words, one must replace his/her natural carnal attitude with the same attitude that Jesus had in order to have a righteous character.

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

Jesus (the body of flesh) had the whole of a Godly attitude at birth. That is why in Jn 1:1-5 He is said to actually “be God” and was “with God” from the beginning. He was of the same attitude and came in a body of flesh as the “Word” bringing His message. God presented himself (His righteous attitude of love) unto the world clothed in a body of flesh. This body of flesh was controlled by the spirit (attitude) within it, therefore it was incapable of sinning.

1Tim 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.

Paul explained to Timothy that this is a “great mystery” how in the body of flesh (as Jesus, the son of man) the powerful Creator God “was manifested”, came to make himself more attainable, to introduce Himself to the world as righteous attitude and character.

Joh 4:23 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.

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

To worship in spirit and truth one must have a Godly attitude, the same attitude He (God) demonstrated as He introduced Himself clothed in a body of flesh. This changed the form of worship that was accepted at that time, one of “works” into one of holy attitude of truth. Mankind was unable to perform works perfectly enough to please God. He wants man to have righteous “attitude” first, which produces good works of love.

Joh 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

Joh 7:39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy spirit was not yet given; ...

John explains that accepting and living by God’s “words” leads to eternal life. Worshipers must embrace in spirit and truth (of attitude) His words. However, at that time, Jesus’s followers had not been given the power of a Godly attitude. They were still depending on their own efforts and works to please God. They had to have their minds opened, follow the instructions of Acts 2:38. before power would be given to them to accept and develop righteous attitude. Previously mankind had been under the power of death, under the law (dependant on practising the law perfectly). But now they would be freed from that requirement of perfection, receiving the power of life because of the overriding plan of salvation that God had fulfilled while in the body of flesh.

Lu 11:13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the (His) Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

Jesus tells us if we “ask” for the right attitude the Father will give it. We also find that both Jesus and Steven asked that their spirits be returned to God. Acts 7:59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

By now we should understand that God is Spirit, man is mortal, but man has a spirit. Just as Jesus, the son of man, as flesh, requested his spirit (attitude) be received (restored) as he died, Steven requested that Jesus receive his spirit. The attitude never dies, it goes back to God.

The difference in God’s spirit and man’s spirit is that God IS a spirit that cannot be changed; man only HAS a spirit that can ( and must) be changed.

Mt 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul (spirit) and body, When Philip asked to see the Father Jesus said, “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, Shew us the Father?” Jesus, the son of man, was explaining His spirit (attitude) as being very God.

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.

The fleshly body admits that he is not the one that does such awesome deeds, but gives credit to the power that resides within him. Here, He, God, is explaining to them that He (as a powerful attitude) is inside this body of flesh that they know by the name of Jesus.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works’ sake.

Is.43: 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.

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.

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.

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

Rev.22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

These last two verses were they not from (the spirit of) Jesus? We have to make one of two choices: either these two claims are only one God or there are Two Gods. The Bible tell us the two were one and the same! Was it not the Father, the spirit being, who decided to implant His attitude (and power) into a body of flesh with the name Emmuel?

Mt 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.

When this body of flesh prayed to the Father it was the flesh that cried out to the greater power, (or Godly attitude), but did not negate that the same attitude was the same spirit within himself. For instance: Can we, as humans, not instill into our children the same attitude that we have? Can we not be of the "same" attitude as another person? Do we question a powerful Spirit who took of His righteous attitude and put it within a body of flesh and called it His "only begotten son" .. "God with us"? Jesus said that he was "from" heaven but at the same time was "in heaven". Jn.3:13

Most "spirits" can be identified as nothing more than "attitudes". From a dictionary we find that "attitude" is described as: a mental condition, or emotional feeling toward a fact or state. From the Bible we find multiple definitions of "spirits" that clearly fit the term "attitude". Since we read from scripture that God is spirit, that He is the creator of all living things, is powerful, is eternal, is light, is truth, is life sustaining, is love, is a consuming fire, among many other supreme traits, we can be sure He is more than what we may think of as a spirit, but that He, as spirit, is all of these things. God has the power to think, plan, create, control, and sustain all things. He has (or is) perfect "character" of unimaginable power.

Because God is spirit, is all knowing, and all powerful (as attitude) He can be everywhere, can be in everyone at the same time. To beget a son He started with the same process from which He developed the process of physical life, from a planted seed inside a female. He instilled His spirit (attitude) into a human egg, thus creating an infant body of flesh which would develop into a vehicle of flesh. Through this method, on their human level, He would communicate His truth to mankind. At the same time this body would experience the weaknesses of humans, as "son of man" who was born under the law (the death penalty). As His own spirit guided "the son of man" He would sacrifice himself to cover the sins of the world with his shed blood. The flesh part (son of man) never sinned because it hosted God (who directed the son of man's thoughts, strengths, and purpose). In so doing God sacrificed Himself through this vehicle of flesh. This fleshly body would be without sin, (or no desire to sin) even though it would have the same needs, to eat, drink, sleep, exercise, etc. It would benefit from the five senses as any other human, but without a carnal attitude.

This "son of man" had an awesome purpose that would benefit all of mankind. Upon it's death, God's spirit within it would change it from human to the resurrected born "son of God" in the fullest extent. It would be the first fleshly being to be changed into an actual "first born of many brethren" as an offspring of God. Thus God created Himself a son (offspring). One may think this is odd, but isn't this the same process in the physical realm? A male plants a seed into the female egg and the result is that he creates himself an offspring. Likewise, God planted His seed (righteous attitude) into a human female egg begetting a "holy thing".

Lu 1:35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Spirit 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.

Mt 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being translated is, God (is) with us.

Another aspect to consider that may be of interest to many is that even though we, for lack of another word, refer to God as "Him", when actually God's spirit (attitude) is neither male nor female. Neither good nor evil spirits consist of human gender. No doubt many spirits have individual personalities. However, Jesus explained that angels neither marry nor are given in marriage, suggesting they have no gender. Only certain physical creatures, including humans, are created either male or female that they may procreate their own kind. God's method of spiritual reproduction is strictly relegated to spiritual growth based on one developing righteous character, uniting with His righteous attitude, enduring to the end, and after physical death being resurrected, then by the power generated by righteous character, changed into a perfect righteous offspring of a perfect attitude of love, we call God .

Gal.3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

These scriptures explain that the God of the Old Testament is the same God of the new testament, and how all things could be created by Jesus. It explains how Jesus, as a "first born of many brethren" becomes a son who will rule with the Father, just as we can become "sons of God" at our change. We will all be the same "Attitude" All evil attitudes will eventually be destroyed because God cannot tolerate evil. It appears that God is developing one righteous attitude of many different personalities to make himself a perfect family. Thus our attitude and personality shall either be destroyed or live eternally as a member of the God family, making us God as well.

In conclusion:

We find that the All Mighty, that we call "God", is a great Power, an invisible Spirit, that is neither male nor female.

We find that God is a righteous Attitude of Perfect Character.

We find that God, by the power of His Holy Spirit, impregnated a human female and placed his righteous Attitude in the Holy Thing that was born of her.

We find that God spoke and worked from within this body of flesh that came to be known as the Word, the Son of Man, and the Son of God.

We find that one distinct sound we make with our vocal cords is not mandatory in speaking God's name.

We learn that God, as Jesus, out of love for mankind, willingly sacrificed himself, then resurrected himself to set a premise for many brethren who would also be resurrected to eternal life as God's offsprings.

We learned that all of God's plan is a great mystery, that unless one has the same attitude of God one cannot understand it, and considers it all foolishness.

We find that there are many spirits, with various personalities, some evil, some righteous, but all are "attitudes".

We find that God is the supreme Attitude that has the power of life and death to bestow upon whomever he chooses.

We find that man has a spirit, but God is a Spirit; man's attitude must change, God's cannot change. One can sin, the other cannot sin. Man's attitude is terribly flawed, God is perfect attitude.

