

## Programs 2 & 3

### ONE PERSON IN THE UNIVERSE

#### Our God is an awesome God!

He is the One person in the universe Isa. 44:8; 45:5-6; 46:9

He is only Self-Existent Person

He is the Creator Col. 1:16; John 1:3; Heb. 12:9

He is the All Powerful Gen 17:1; Jere. 32:13; John 19:10-11; Dan 4:30;34;37; Lu. 1:37

He is All Knowing- Isa. 46:10 I Corinthians 2:11;

He is the only Independent One—Does not depend on any

God is full of Glory and Truth—John 1:17

He is Holy—Rev. 4:8

He is the only Self-Sufficient Person in the whole Universe-I Cor. 2:16

He inhabits Eternity—Isa. 57:16

All have their being in Him—Acts 17:28

All men are his offsprings—Act 17:28

He invades time-His presence is everywhere at all times Psa. 139:7-12; Ecc. 3:11

He holds all things together by the power of His Word—Heb. 1:3

By Him all things consist—Col. 1:17

God is spirit-John 4:24

Immortal, Invisible—I Tim 1:17

God is Love-I John 4:8; John 3:16; Heb

God is all Wise—Rom. 11:33; Pro. 8:22-30; Col.2:2-3; I Cor. 1:24&30

He is Unchanging James 1:17; Mal. 3:6; Heb. 13:8

He is All Sovereign Psalms 139; Dan. 4:35; Matt. 20:15; Isaiah. 45:9; I Chr. 29:11

God is both Justice-Rom. 2:16; Acts 17:31; I Cor. 4:1-5

and Mercy-Titus 3:5; Lam. 3:22-23

God is: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yet all three in perfect Oneness and Unity—Heb. 1:2-3; II Cor. 3:17; John 17:21

God the Father expresses Himself exclusively as His Son, Jesus Christ, and then by a mystical union with redeemed humanity, He further expresses Himself as us.—Heb.1:2-3; John 14:9; John 14:20; John 17:23

*There is only one power in the universe, and it is God Almighty, Himself. "I am the Lord, and there is none else" (Isaiah 45:6) (49:9-19); (49:12). Pretty exclusive isn't it? There is only one independent life source in the whole universe, and it is God Himself. Then it must be a lie if Satan or man falsely think that they independently have their own life source. Since the Creator is the one independent person in the universe then what is creation, and what is its purpose? Man, the heavenly host, as well as all created things whether animal, vegetable, or mineral are only a container/vessel of the life of God and do not contain their own life.*

"Oh no," you say, "this is pantheism." "Are you saying that the rock is God?" No, no, God forbid that I should say that. If that were true we would worship the created form and not the Creator, God. The creation only exist to express its Creator, but not be the Creator.

Then, of course it is only man who contains the very personhood of God, and not inanimate things. Things have their existence in God, but not his personhood, that He has reserved for mankind who are created in His image. So then, all creation was created to contain and express the glory and majesty of Almighty God, but it was not created to independently be that glory.

Then what about Satan's "power of death", and how does it fit into the one power in the universe? Satan's evil power is only the misuse, the no, the not side of the one power in the universe and therefore a servant and a slave to God Almighty. Think of a coin, one side being light and the other side dark. Only one coin, yet two sides. God who is the only all good, is forever **not** Satan, and Satan, the all evil, is forever **not** God. Wholly distinct, yet wholly one in source. Since God is the whole coin as it were, for even darkness and the devil is but the **no** side of God, then God, and God alone has total authority, total power, and dictates and controls everything that is, as well as controls everything that poses itself as something when it is not ("no gods"). Either God reigns sovereign and is Lord of heaven, earth, as well as hell and all that is there in, or He is Lord of nothing.

Since God is in total control then it must mean that "God means evil" as well as good, and therefore does not mean that he just permits it. The fact that He means good is a given, but what about meaning evil? That is a radical statement, yet Isaiah 45: 7 says, "I make peace and create evil, I the Lord do all these things." How can God create evil, or calamity, as some translations say? He created free beings with the capacity to choose, and God risks misuse when he created freedom. Freedom has in it the possible to choose good as well as evil, and of course Satan choose evil. So it is from God's created freedom that Satan chose to be the evil being that he is. Therefore God created the possible of evil by creating freedom. And in that since "God creates evil." This verse does not mean that God creates and therefore is the misuse-er Himself. No, Satan is the author of that. But God did create Lucifer, a light bearer, and God knew that out of his God given freedom, Satan would fall into his own hellish trap and bring into being the false kingdom of wrath. And therefore "God means evil." He does not mean it for evil sake alone, no He means it for good. God sees evil as a necessary educational opposite and therefore utilizes it for his redemptive purposes.

The story of Joseph is well known to our Christians circles, yet many miss the profound statement Joseph made after his brothers had repented of their deeds, Joseph says to his brothers, "But as for you, you thought evil against me; but *God meant it unto good*, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive." Joseph is clearly saying that God *means* evil! Most would admit and even give the weaker answer that God permits evil, but no, Joseph said "*God means it.*" To say that is a huge leap from the normal separated viewpoint, but saying anything less is making God weak, indecisive and not the determined Lord of all. I love the verses in Acts 4:27-28 which says, "For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were

gathered together for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel *determined* before to be done." If Christ Jesus' crucifixion was determined by God, then he means all evils. Crucifying the Son of God was the greatest crime in history, yet it was the Fathers will and His determined counsel. And Isaiah 53 says that Christ was, "Smitten of God." Not the devil, not man, but of God.

Isaiah 54:16 says that "God created the waster to destroy." God knew that Satan would desecrate mankind, and God meant it to be. Why? God has a plan. Romans 8: 20 says, "For the creature was *made subject to vanity*, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope. Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." Let us define the word 'vanity' it is the product of the forbidden Tree of Knowledge of good and evil at war with one another causing a unresolved anguish which can never be satisfied, nor resolved. This anguish is also linked with Satan's false promises of false powers and flesh fulfillment independent from God.