

# Most Common Questions asked on concept of god in Christianity?

## TRINITY

### Question:

The Christians' concept of God is the Trinity i.e. The Father, The Son and The Holy Ghost, but these three are One. We Christians believe in one God, Who is a Triune God.

### Answer:

#### 1. The word 'Trinity' is not mentioned in the Bible, but in the Qur'an

The word "Trinity" does not exist anywhere in the whole Bible, but it is mentioned in the Glorious Qur'an in the following places:

##### a. In Surah Nisa chapter 4 verse 171

"Say not 'Trinity': desist:  
It will be better for you for  
Allah is one God."  
[Al-Qur'an 4:171]

##### b. A similar message is repeated in Surah Maidah chapter 5 verse 73

"They do blaspheme who say  
Allah is one of three  
In a Trinity: for there is  
No god except One God.  
If they desist not  
From their word (of blasphemy),  
Verily a grievous penalty  
Will befall the blasphemers  
Among them."  
[Al-Qur'an 16:125]

#### 2. The closest verse regarding "Trinity" in the Bible, has now been thrown out of the Bible

The verse in the Bible which is closest to "Trinity" and is often quoted by Christian missionaries is

the first Epistle of John, chapter 5 verse no 7 "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one."

In the Revised Standard Version of the Bible (R.S.V.) revised by 32 Christian scholars of the highest eminence backed by 50 different co-operating denominations, this verse which is the keystone of the Christian faith has been removed as an interpolation, as a fabrication and as a concoction. It has not been expunged from the Revised Standard Version of the Bible by the Muslims or by non-Christian scholars, but by 32 Christian scholars of the highest eminence backed by 50 different cooperating denominations as an interpolation, as a concoction and as a fabrication because this verse does not exist in the original manuscript. We Muslims must congratulate the galaxy of D.D.'s (Doctors of Divinity) who have been honest enough to eliminate another lie from the English R.S.V. Bible, thus bringing it closer to the teachings of Islam and the Glorious Qur'an.

## **1. Jesus (pbuh) never claimed Divinity**

Jesus (pbuh) never spoke about Trinity i.e. three in one. On the contrary he says in:

a. The Gospel of Mark ,chapter 12, verse 29  
"*Shama Israelu Adonai Ila Hayno Adonia Ikhad*"  
It is a Hebrew quotation which means:  
"Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord."

b. The Gospel of John, chapter 14 verse 28  
"My father is greater than I."

c. The Gospel of John, chapter 10 verse 29  
"My Father... is greater than all."

d. The Gospel of Mathew, chapter 12, verse 28  
"... I cast out devils by the Spirit of God...."

e. The Gospel of Luke, chapter 11 verse 20  
"...I with the finger of God cast out devils...."

f. The Gospel of John, chapter 5 verse 30  
"I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgement is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."

## **2. The Catechism of the Church**

a. According to the Catechism of the Christian Church, "The Father is a person, the Son is a person, and the Holy Ghost is a person; but they are not three persons but one person." Person,

person, person but not 3 persons but 1 person! What language is this?  $1 + 1 + 1 = 3$  and not  $1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = 1$ . What makes a person different than the other person? It is his personality.

b. If we have three identical triplets and one of them commits murder, should we hang the other two? The answer is 'No', because he is a different person having a different personality.

c. When the Christians speak about the Father in Heaven they have a certain mental picture in mind, of an elderly man some what like Santa Claus sitting on one of the planets with the earth as his foot stool. When they speak about the son, they have a certain mental picture in their mind. A tall handsome man, who has a beard and long hair; somewhat like Jeffery Hunter who did the role of Jesus (pbuh) in the film 'King of Kings'. When they speak about the Holy Ghost they have a certain mental picture in mind like that of a dove that came upon Jesus (pbuh) when he was baptised or like a spirit at the feast of Pentecost. If we ask the Christians "How many mental pictures do you have when you speak about Trinity?" they say "We have only one picture". They lie when they say this, for  $1 + 1 + 1 = 3$  and not 1.

## 2. TRINITY – WATER IN THREE STATES

### Question

The concept of "Trinity" can be explained by giving the example that water can be present in three states, i.e. as solid e.g. ice, as liquid e.g. water and gas e.g. vapour, yet it is one and the same water.

### Answer

I agree that water can be present in three states, that is solid, liquid and gas, as ice, water and vapour but in all three states the matter is the same i.e. H<sub>2</sub>O and contains two atoms of hydrogen and one atom of oxygen. The material and components are the same although the form of the matter differs. Water remains H<sub>2</sub>O in the solid form i.e. ice. It remains H<sub>2</sub>O in the form of gas i.e. vapour. However, in case of Trinity, besides the form changing even the components and material themselves change. The Father is God and Jesus (pbuh) is man, and the Holy Ghost is a spirit and all three are not made up of the same matter or component.

Man contains flesh and bones, whereas God and spirit do not contain flesh and bones. Man requires to eat, etc., whereas God does not require to eat. No wonder Jesus (pbuh) says in the last supper, in the upper room mentioned in the Gospel of Luke, chapter 24 verses 39 to 43

"Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have."

And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet.

And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat?

And they gave him a piece of broiled fish, and of an honeycomb."

And he took it, and did eat before them.

### **3. TRINITY – FATHER, BROTHER AND BUSINESSMAN**

#### **Question**

A person can also be a father, a brother and a businessman at the same time, but yet, he is one and the same person. Then why cannot God be "one in three" i.e. God the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost?

#### **Answer**

The same person can be a father, a brother and a businessman at the same time.

a. But suppose the sister of that man tells him a secret, it is but natural that the father and the businessman also will know about it. Contrary to this, Jesus (pbuh) has said in the Bible, in the Gospel of Mark, chapter 13 verse 32

"But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father."

Here the knowledge of the hour is only known to the Father and not to the Son, indicating that God and Jesus (pbuh) Christ are not one and the same person.

b. A human being can be a father, a brother, and a businessman at the same time, but if the brother dies, even the father and the businessman will die. Thus, when the Christians say that Jesus (pbuh) died on the cross they will have to agree that God and the Holy Spirit also died.

### **4. JESUS (pbuh) CLAIMED DIVINITY WHEN HE SAID "I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE"**

#### **Question**

Jesus clearly claimed Divinity when he said in the Gospel, "I and my Father are one."

#### **Answer**

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#### **1. WHAT IS THE CONTEXT?**

It is unfair on the part of the missionaries, that they do not provide the context, then as us Muslims, "Do you know the context?" That which they quote is the text of John chapter 10, verse 30. To get at the context, we have to begin from verse 23 which reads:

23. "And Jesus (pbuh) walked in the temple in Solomon's porch."

John, or whoever he was, who wrote this story, does not tell us the reason for Jesus (pbuh) tempting the devil by walking alone in the lion's den. Now, we do not expect the Jews to miss a golden opportunity to get even with Jesus (pbuh). Perhaps, he was emboldened by the manner in which he had literally whipped the Jews single-handed in the temple, and upset the tables of the money-changers at the beginning of his ministry (John 2:15).

24. "Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly."

They surrounded him, brandishing their fingers in his face, they began accusing him and provoking him; saying that he had not put forth his claim plainly enough, clearly enough. That he was talking ambiguously. They were trying to work themselves into a frenzy to assault him. In fact, their real complaint was that they did not like his method of preaching – his invectives, the manner in which he condemned them for their formalism, their ceremonialism, their going for the letter of the law and forgetting the spirit. But Jesus (pbuh) could not afford to provoke them any further – there were too many of them and they were itching for a fight. Discretion is the better part of valour. In a conciliatory spirit, befitting the occasion:

25. Jesus (pbuh) answered them, 'I told ye, and you believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me'.

26. But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.'

Jesus (pbuh) refutes the false charge of his enemies, that he was ambiguous in his claims to being the Messiah whom they were waiting for. He says that he did tell them clearly enough, yet they would not listen to him,

He further justifies by saying,

27. "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

28. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man PLUCK THEM OUT OF MY HAND.

29. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to PLUCK THEM OUT OF MY FATHER'S HAND."

How can anyone be so blind as not to see the exactness of the ending of the last two verses? But spiritual blinkers are more impervious than physical defects. He is telling the Jews and recording for posterity, the real unity or relationship between the Father and the son. The most crucial verse –

30. "I and my Father are one."

One in what? In their Omniscience? In their Nature? In their Omnipotence? No! One in purpose! That once a believer has accepted faith, the Messenger sees to it that he remains in faith and

God Almighty also sees to it that he remains in faith. This is the purpose of the "Father" **AND** the "son" **AND** the "Holy Ghost" **AND** of every man **AND** every woman of faith. Let the same John explain his Gnostic mystic verbiage:

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us ...."  
(John 17:21)

"I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one ...."  
(John 17:23)

If Jesus is "ONE" with God, and if that "ONENESS" makes him God, then the traitor Judas, and the doubting Thomas, and the satanic Peter, plus the other nine who deserted him when he was most in need are God(s), because the same ONENESS which he claimed with God in John 10:30, now he claims for all "who forsook him and fled" (Mark 14:50) – all "ye of little faith" (Matthew 8:26) – ALL "O faithless and perverse generation" (Luke 9:41). Where and when will the Christian blasphemy end? The expression "I and my Father are one," was very innocent, meaning nothing more than a common purpose with God. But the Jews were looking for trouble and any excuse would do, therefore:

31. "The Jews took up stones again to stone him.

32. Jesus answered them, "Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?"

33. The Jews answered him, saying, 'For a good word we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.'

In verse 24 above the Jews falsely alleged that Jesus was talking ambiguously. When that charge was ably refuted, they then accused him of blasphemy (kufr) which is like treason in the spiritual realm. So they say that Jesus is claiming to be God – "I and my Father are one". The Christians agree with the Jews in this that Jesus (pbuh) did make such a claim; but differ in that it was not blasphemy because the Christians say that he was God and was entitled to own up to his Divinity.

The Christians and the Jews are both agreed that the utterance is serious. To one (Christian) as an excuse for good "redemption", and to the other (Jew) as an excuse for good "riddance". Between the two, let poor Jesus die. But Jesus refuses to co-operate in this dirty game, so:

34. "Jesus answered them, 'Is it not written in your law, I SAID, YE ARE GODS?"

35. If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

36. Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?"

## **2. WHY "YOUR LAW"?**

He is a bit sarcastic in verse 34, but in any event, why does he say: "Your Law? " Is it not also his law? Did he not say: THINK NOT THAT I AM COME TO DESTROY THE LAW, OR THE PROPHETS: I AM NOT COME TO DESTROY, BUT TO FULFIL. FOR VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, TILL HEAVEN AND EARTH PASS, ONE JOT OR ONE TITTLE SHALL IN NO WISE PASS FROM THE LAW, TILL ALL BE FULFILLED.

(Matthew 5:17-18).

### **3. "YE ARE GODS"**

"Ye are gods:" He is obviously quoting from the 82nd Psalm (verse 6) – "I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High."

Jesus (pbuh), continues, "If he (i.e. God Almighty) called them gods, unto whom the word of God came (meaning that the prophets of God were called 'GODS') and the scripture cannot be broken (in other words – YOU CAN'T CONTRADICT ME!)." – Jesus (pbuh) knows his Scripture; and thus speaks with authority; He reasons with his enemies that "if good men, holy men, prophets of God are being addressed as "GODS" in our Books of Authority, with which you find no fault – then why do you take exception to me? – When the only claim I make for myself is far inferior in our language, viz. "a son of God" as against others being called "GODS" by God Himself. Even if I (Jesus) described myself as "god" in our language, according to Hebrew usage, you should find no fault with me." This is the plain reading of the Christian Scripture. I am giving no interpretations of my own or some esoteric meaning to words!

### **5. JESUS (PBUH) DID NOT CLAIM DIVINITY IN JOHN 14:6**

#### **Question**

Jesus (pbuh) indicated that he was God when he said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me".

#### **Answer**

#### **1. Gospel of John Chapter 14 verses 1 – 6**

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

In order to understand the verse better we should read the context i.e. Gospel of John chapter 14 verse 1 to 6

"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe in God, believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.'

Thomas saith unto him, 'Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?'

Jesus saith unto him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the father, but by me.'

[John 14:1-6]

## **2. EVERY PROPHET IN HIS TIME IS THE WAY TO GOD**

Jesus (pbuh) being a prophet of God rightly said that he was the way to God. Every Prophet of God, is the truth and the way to God. Moses (pbuh) during his time and for his nation was the way, the truth and life and no man could come to God but through Moses (pbuh). Every prophet of God in his time is the ultimate path and guidance to God.

Today the last and final messenger of God is prophet Muhammad (pbuh) who is the way, the truth and the life; no man comes unto God but through his teachings.

## **3. JESUS (PBUH) SAID HE THAT HAS SEEN ME HAS SEEN THE FATHER**

Some Christians consider that Jesus (pbuh) by stating that "he that hath seen me hath seen the Father" in the verses to follow is a proof that Jesus (pbuh) claimed divinity. If you further read it is mentioned in Gospel of John, 14 verse 7 to 10:

"If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.'

Philip saith unto him, 'Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.'

Jesus saith unto him, '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?'

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."

[John 14:7-10]

## **4. KNOWING GOD IS SEEING GOD**

Jesus (pbuh) says in the verse no 7

"If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him."  
[John 14:7]

Seeing according to Jesus (pbuh) means knowing. Thus he who knows Jesus (pbuh), also knows God. The miracles and works of the prophet (pbuh) bear testimony to the existence of God.

## **7. JESUS CLAIMED DIVINITY AT THE BEGINNING OF GOSPEL OF JOHN**

### **Question**

It is mentioned in the Gospel of John that "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God," proving without doubt that Jesus is God.

### **Answer**

#### **1. GOSPEL OF JOHN, CHAPTER 1 VERSE 1**

It is mentioned in the Gospel of John, Chapter 1 verse 1

"In the Beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God".

These words are not the words of Jesus (pbuh), but of St. John (or whoever is the author of this Gospel). Christian scholars say that these were the words of a Jew called Philips of Alexandria, who wrote them before Jesus and John (pbut) were born and claimed no divine inspiration for them.

#### **2. SUBSTITUTE 'WORD' WITH 'GOD'**

If we substitute the word 'Word' with the word 'God' then it will be "In the Beginning was the God, and the God was with God, and God was God."

Does this mean that there were two Gods?

#### **3. HOTH EOS – THE GOD; TONTHEOS – A GOD.**

The New testament is written in Greek. The first time God occurs in the quotation is "*Hotheos*" which literally means "the God" i.e. "And the Word was with God". But the second time when the word "God" appears in the quotation, the Greek word used is "*Tontheos*", which means "a god" i.e. "and the word was with god." In Hebrew there is nothing like Capital 'G' and small 'g' like in the English language. Thus *Hotheos* is 'the God' with capital 'G' and *Tontheos* is 'a god' with small 'g'.

#### **4. II CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 4 VERSE 4**

The Biblical Scholars have reversed their system while translating the verse of II Corinthians chapter 4 verse 4

"(And the devil is) the god of this world".  
[II Corinthians 4:4]

Here, "*Hotheos*" has been wrongly translated as "the god", instead of "the God".

#### **5. EXODUS CHAPTER 7 VERSE 1**

In Exodus Chapter 7 verse 1

"And the Lord said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh".  
[Exodus 7:1]

Why is a small 'g' used here for God instead of Capital 'G'?

#### **8. JESUS (PBUH) IS NOT THE BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD**

##### **Question**

Is it not mentioned in the Bible that Jesus is the " Begotten Son" of God thus making him God?

##### **Answer**

##### **1. In the Bible, God has sons by the tons.**

##### **It is mentioned in the Gospel of Luke, Chapter 3 verse 38**

"...Adam, which was the son of God."

a. Genesis, Chapter 6 verse 2

"That the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they were fair...."

b. Exodus, Chapter 4 verse 22

"...Israel is my son, even my firstborn".

c. Jeremiah, Chapter 31 verse 9

"...For I (God) am a Father to Israel, and E'-phra-im is my firstborn."

d. Psalms, Chapter 2 verse 7

"...the LORD hath said unto me, 'Thou art my son; this day have I begotten thee.'"

e. Romans, Chapter 8 verse 14

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

According to the Bible every righteous person who follows the Commandments of God is referred to as son of God.

## **2. JESUS (PBUH) IS THE BEGOTTEN SON OF GOD**

The Christians agree with the reasoning but say that "but Jesus was not like that". Adam was made by God, every living thing was made by God, but Jesus (pbuh) was the begotten son of God, begotten not made". And the Christians quote from the Gospel of John, Chapter 3 verse 16.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

## **3. MEANING OF THE WORD 'BEGOTTEN'**

When asked the meaning of the word 'begotten' the Christian will rarely be able to explain. Begotten means to beget i.e. to procreate. Begetting is an animal act belonging to the animal function of sex. How can we attribute such a lowly function to God.

## **4. THE WORD 'BEGOTTEN' IS AN INTERPOLATION**

The word 'begotten' mentioned in the Gospel of John, Chapter 3 verse 16 has been thrown out from the Revised Standard Version of the Bible as an interpolation, as a fabrication. The Revised Standard Version has been revised by 32 Christian Scholars of the highest eminence, backed by 50 different co-operating denominations. These Scholars have removed this blasphemous word without any ceremony as an interpolation, concoction, fabrication, and adulteration.

## **5. THE QUR'AN SAYS THAT ALLAH DOES NOT BEGET**

a. The Qur'an mentions in Surah Maryam, Chapter 19 verse 88 to 92

"They say: '(Allah) Most Gracious has begotten a son!'

Indeed ye have put forth a thing most monstrous!

As if the skies are ready to burst, the earth to split asunder, and the mountains to fall down in utter ruin.

That they should invoke a son for (Allah) Most Gracious.

For it is not consonant with the majesty of (Allah) Most Gracious that He should beget a son."

[Al-Qur'an 19:88-92]

b. The Qur'an further says in Surah Ikhlas, Chapter 112 verse 1-3

"Say: 'He is Allah, the One and Only;  
Allah, the Eternal, Absolute;  
He begetteth not, nor is He begotten'"  
[Al-Qur'an 112:1-3]

## **9. JESUS (PBUH) WAS ALPHA AND OMEGA**

### **Question**

Jesus claimed divinity when he said, "I am Alpha and Omega".

### **Answer**

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#### **1. JESUS (PBUH) SAID "I AM ALPHA AND OMEGA"**

a. Jesus said in the Book of Revelation, Chapter 1 verse 8

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending".  
[Revelation 1:8]

b. He repeated this statement in the Book of Revelation, Chapter 1 verse 11

"I am Alpha and Omega the first and the last"  
[Revelation 1:11]

c. Jesus says in the Book of Revelation chapter 22 verse 13

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.