

“Follow the Unmistaken Jesus”
Matthew 13: 44-58

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144,000
JEWISH CHRISTIANS
AND TWO
WITNESSES
AND THREE ANGELS

Unmistaken = Right, correct

Mistaken = Wrong, incorrect

Verse 44

The Parable of the Hidden Treasure

Nothing is more valuable than the Kingdom and being part of it – **NOTHING!**

The treasure is the **Kingdom**, which the saved will inhabit

The treasure is **salvation** which is worth everything!

The **Kingdom** was purchased for you by **Christ** and is of ***greatest value!!***

Verse 45 - 46

The Pearl of Great Price
(not the Mormon book)

The pearl is the believer

The believer is born out of much torment and pain

What is that pain?

The death of the Lord Jesus, our Savior, our Redeemer, our Way Maker

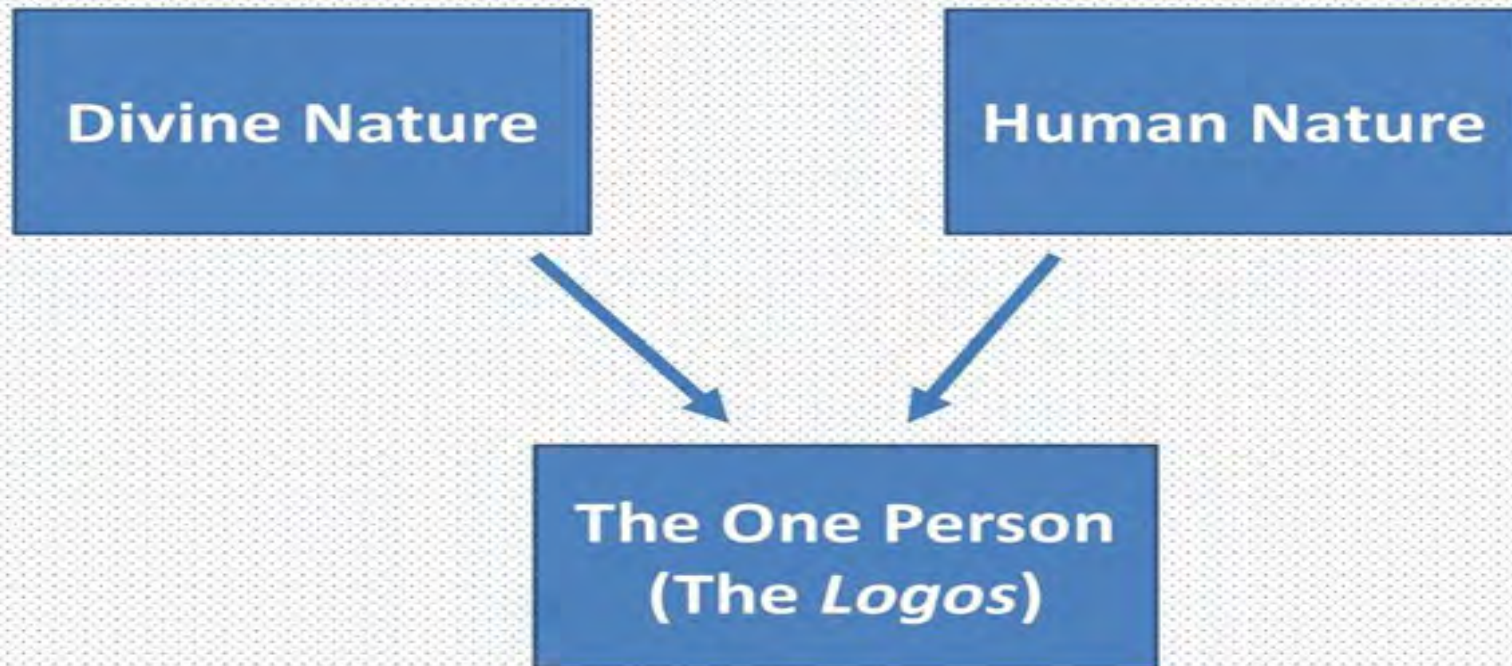
Jesus paid the price for the “*pearl of great price*”

Jesus bought us!

Jesus laid it all on the line for us – Philippians 2: 5-8

Kenosis = self-emptying = Jesus voluntarily set aside His heavenly privileges – ***not His divinity***

God became a man – **Hypostatic Union** – Jesus took on a human nature and remains God



Forever, Jesus is the God/man

Jesus' sacrifice for His bride is unimaginable!

Remember: Love is a verb, action

Romans 5: 8

“God demonstrated His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”

Verse 47 - 50

The Parable of the Dragnet

Another example of good and bad being in the Kingdom until the Judgment

Jesus warns that not everyone who professes Christ, possesses Christ!

Matthew 7:21-23 - NKJV

21 *“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.”*

22 *“Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’”*

23 *“And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’”*

False teachers promote a mistaken Jesus, *a false Jesus!*

We must follow the unmistaken Jesus!

Verse 51 - 53

The Parable of the Householder

The **truth** of the Kingdom must be shared with others

The scribes were responsible for **speaking truth** and **writing down truth**

The same is true for us!

What is truth?

That which is real, trustworthy and dependable

“One word of truth will outweigh the whole world (of lies)” – Alexander Solzhenitsyn

“Truth is truth even if no one believes it, and lies are lies even if everyone believes it” - Oz Guinness

Truth does not yield to opinion, fashion, numbers, office or sincerity

Being a Christian is being a people of truth, practicing the truth

Speaking the truth dispels the lie!

Jesus spoke the truth, His disciples spoke the truth

We must speak and live out truth – *God's truth!*

Verse 54 - 58

Jesus returns to His hometown - *Nazareth*

Jesus taught them – *“they were astonished”*

Yet, they rejected Him – *“where does this man get His wisdom”*

Jesus’ response - *“A prophet is not without honor except in his own country and in his own house”*

Their response reeks of prejudice – *pride!*

Prejudice raises its ugly head in many ways, the most familiar is with different ethnic groups

It is deeper than that – many subconsciously, or consciously, discriminate by education, social status, name, wealth, fame, position, heritage – the list goes on!

The Bible says God is *not* a face looker!

God sees the heart, not the face, *and so must we!*

CLOSING THOUGHTS: *Follow the Unmistaken Jesus*

Lesson:

The **MISTAKEN** Jesus – the vast majority either deny Him or mistake who He is

All cults and world religions have **MISTAKEN** Jesus

Most people have **MISTAKEN** Jesus

MISTAKEN views of Jesus:

NESTORIANISM


Nestorian Heresy Claims

Jesus Was Two Separate Persons

A.D. 428

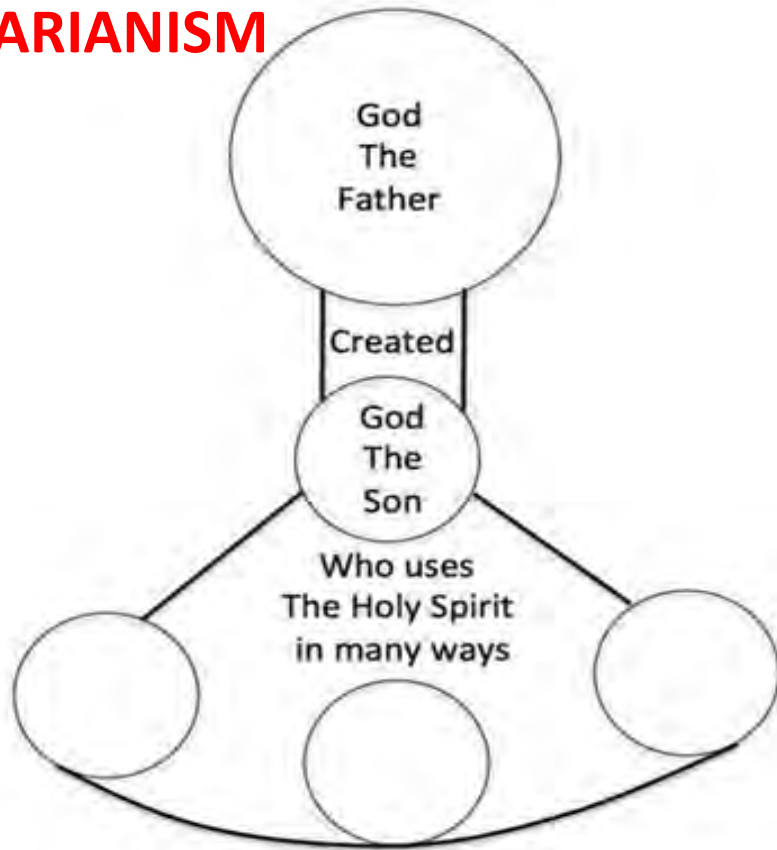


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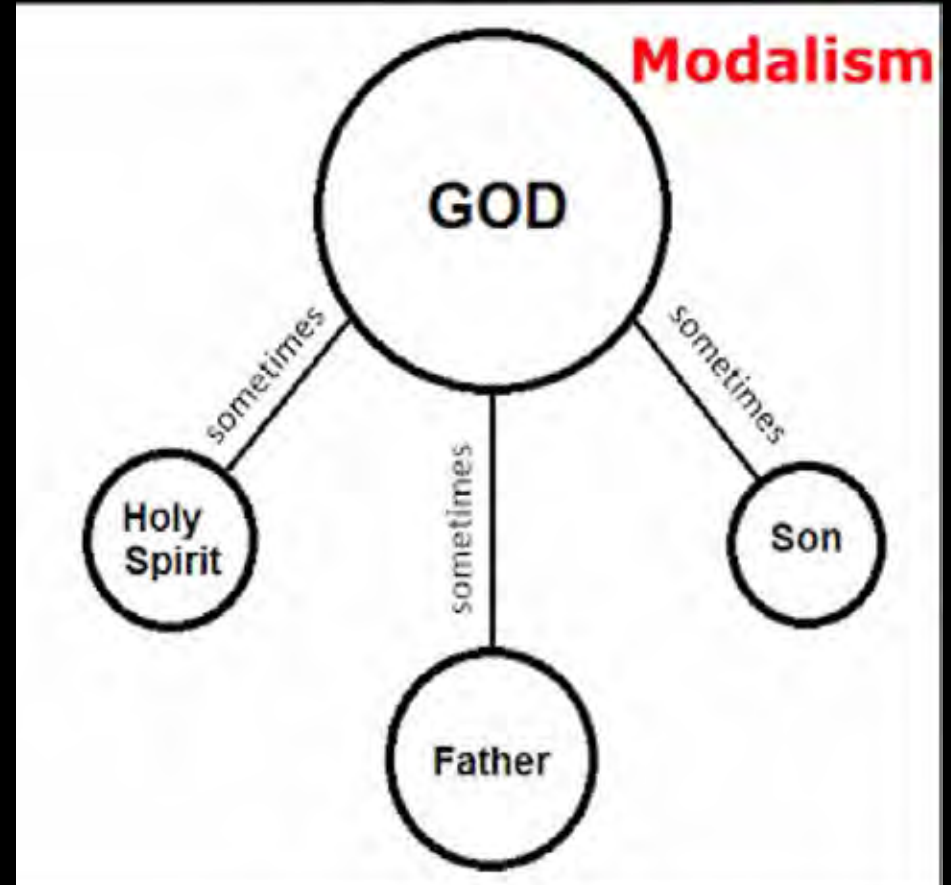


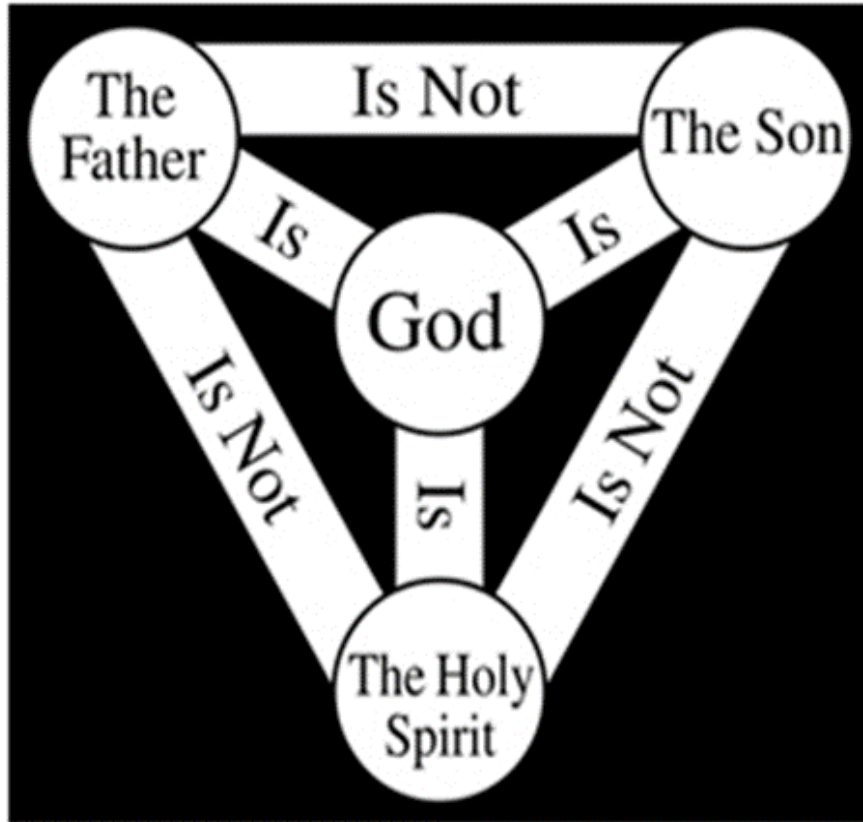
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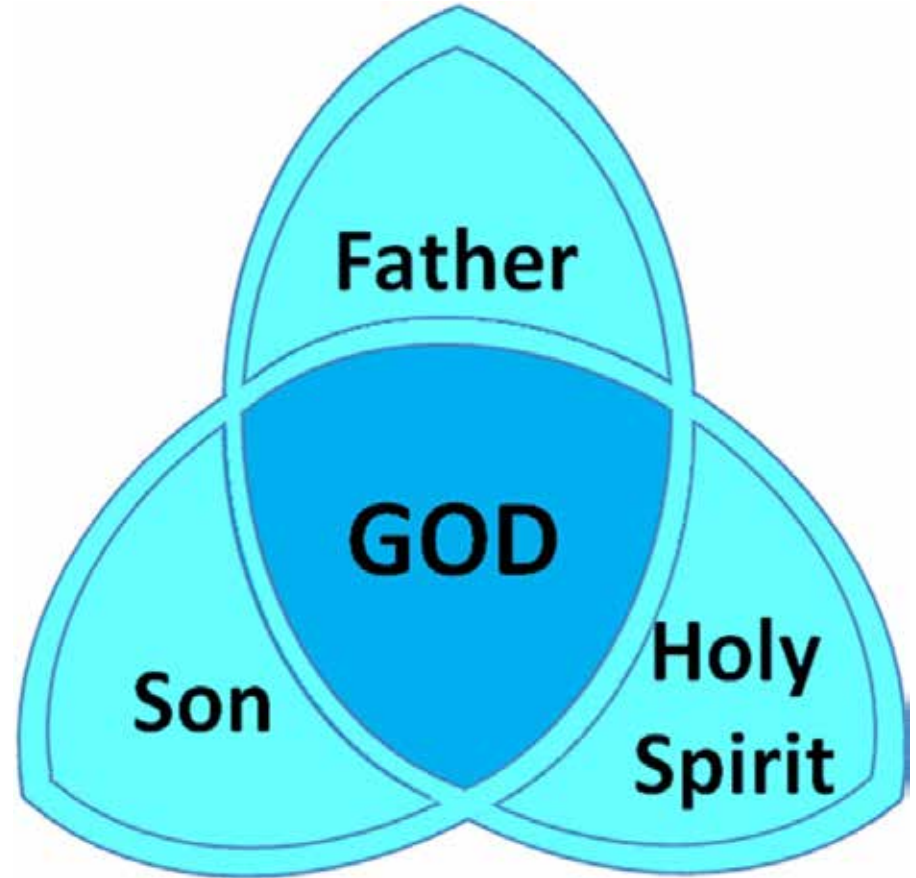


Modalism





The Doctrine of the Trinity



For those who believe, the **UNMISTAKEN** Jesus is my Lord (*Kurios*), my Master, my Ruler, my Owner

I go where He says to go, do what He says to do, and I live the way He says I should live

Don't make the **MISTAKE** of thinking that someone cannot be changed

God is always at work in your "household"; keep trusting and keep believing!

- **Trusting and believing** is our part
- God's part is the miracle – ***a changed life!***

Remember who Jesus is - our **Savior**, our all-powerful **KING**, our **Sovereign** whom we bow to

C.S. Lewis puts it this way:



“ Aslan is a lion- the Lion, the great Lion." "Ooh" said Susan. "I'd thought he was a man. Is he-quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion"..."Safe?" said Mr Beaver ..."Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you.

Remember who you are dealing with:

“HE IS THE KING, I TELL YOU”!

He is the **UNMISTAKEN JESUS!**

Give Him the honor He deserves!

With God all things are possible – ***BELIEVE IT!***

FOLLOW THE UNMISTAKEN JESUS!!

A still life scene featuring a plate of food and a tray of wine glasses. The plate on the left contains a piece of food, possibly a sandwich or a slice of bread, with some sauce or condiment. The tray on the right holds several small, clear wine glasses, some of which are filled with a dark liquid, likely red wine. The background is a textured, brownish surface, possibly a wall or a backdrop, with some faint, glowing lines or patterns. The overall lighting is warm and somewhat dim, creating a moody atmosphere.

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IN REMEMBRANCE
OF ME