

# **The Supernatural and Jesus' Death**

## **Matthew 27: 51-56**

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Verse 45

**The darkness was supernatural**

**Supernatural** = An occurrence that cannot be explained by the world's laws of science

**Three hours of darkness, from 12 pm to 3 pm, was supernatural!**

The darkness lifted supernaturally when Jesus cried out, ***“It is finished!”*** and ***“Father, into Your hands I commit My spirit”***

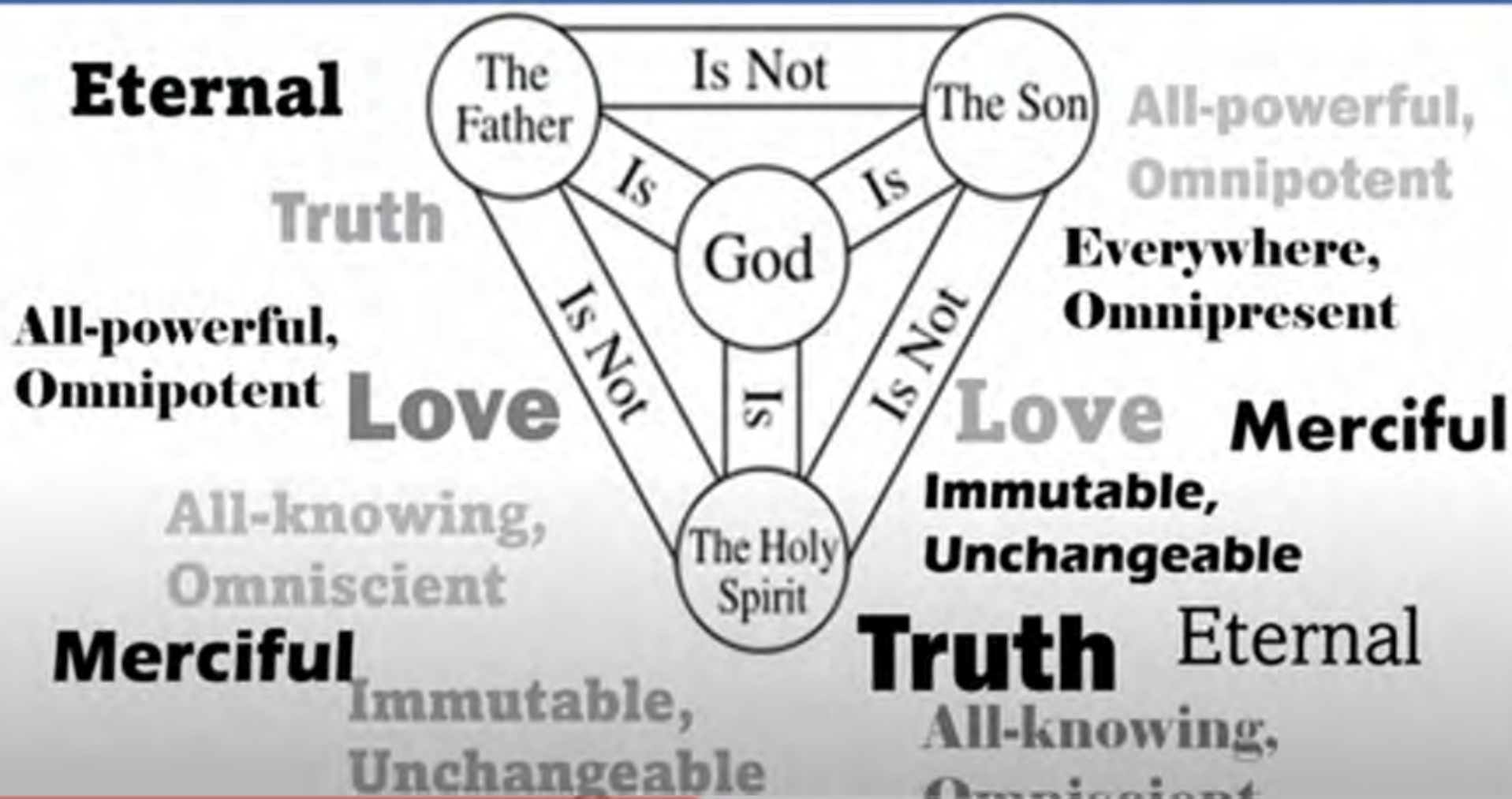
**Jesus, in eternity past, in the Godhead's Holy Council, was determined to take on this mission**

**God does not think sequentially, or in response to an action**

**God has all knowledge and thought, always in His mind**

**We term this quality, Omniscience = all knowing**

**ONE GOD, THREE PERSONS, all sharing these attributes**





**Verse 51 - 53**

**The veil being torn was supernatural**





Because of Jesus' sacrifice, a believer can boldly enter God's presence – Hebrews 10: 19-20

Boldly = “*parresia*” = freedom in speaking, freely saying all that one thinks without fear or anxiety

This was not the only supernatural thing that happened - “*The earth quaked, and the rocks were split, and the graves were opened*”  
at the same time

Weird stuff: “*And coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many*”

## Verse 54

# The supernatural and the Centurion

**Centurion** = a Roman military officer in command of 100 men

This indicates that many Roman soldiers were present at the crucifixion of Jesus

**These are the same guys that beat Jesus, whipped Jesus, spat on Jesus and degraded Jesus!**

The Centurion and his men were stunned, fearful, and supernaturally impacted by Jesus -

***“Truly this was the Son of God!”***

**These guys went from a Roman pantheon of god worshippers to the worship of the True God!**

**What these guys did to Jesus was awful!**

**If someone did this to your son, it would be unforgiveable!**

***NOT WITH GOD!***

**God's mercy and grace are *SUPERNATURAL*,  
beyond explanation!**

**Verse 55 - 56**  
**The loyal ladies**

**The love these women had for Jesus ran deep!**

**They supplied the necessary support for Jesus' ministry**

**This event was frightening, and the disciples ran for fear!**

**These women loved Jesus; their love for Him overcame their fear:**

***“There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear . . . . .” - 1 John 4: 18***

## CLOSING THOUGHTS:

The supernatural marked Jesus' ministry and His death

**Miracles occur when God breaks into the daily and does things that defy the laws of science**

There is one coming who will defy the laws of science – ***he is the antichrist!***

He will do genuine signs and wonders that will mesmerize the world – **2 Thessalonians 2: 9**

## BE CAREFUL CHURCH:

The supernatural will become more common place

Be discerning, don't get mesmerized by the counterfeit!

**What are we to do?**

***TEST THE SPIRITS!***

**1 John 4: 1**

**1 Thessalonians 5: 21**

**Test** = “*dokimazo*” = to try, to prove, to discern



**How do we test (dokimazo)?**

*Test what is said or done with  
the Word of God!*

**It is incumbent on every believer to act with  
discernment**

**Discernment = to distinguish, to decide;  
to judge if true or false**

## Why am I emphasizing this?

*America is in post-Christian apostasy; the True God is rejected in mass; the pantheon of false gods has returned to our shores*

See Jonathan Cahn's *"Return of the Gods"* handout

The supernatural is coming . . . . .

**WATCH!**


***BE PREPARED!!***

***BE DISCERNING!!!***

***BE STRONG IN YOUR GOD!!!!***

# WATCHMAN ON THE WALL





Watch, stand fast in the faith,  
be brave, be strong.

Let all that you do be done with love.

1 Corinthians 16.13-14 (New King James Version)



Tony the Tiger says:  
"GR-R-REAT"



**THIS IS BULL  
IN A  
BLIZZARD TIME!!**

