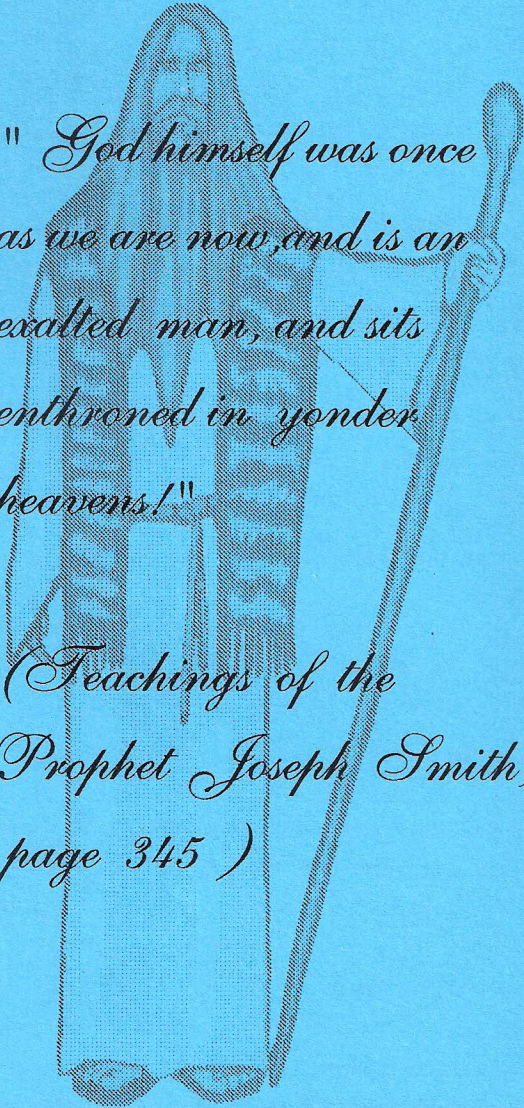


Heavenly Father

" God himself was once
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enthroned in yonder
heavens!"

(Teachings of the
Prophet Joseph Smith,
page 345)



THE LDS CONCEPT OF HEAVENLY FATHER:

GOD HAS A PHYSICAL BODY:"The Father has a **body of flesh and bones** as tangible as man's". (Doc. & Cov.130:22)

"If the veil was rent today and the great God who holds this world in orbit ...was to make himself visible-I say, if you were to see him today, you would see him like a man in form..." (Joseph F Smith, Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg. 345)

DOES GOD HAVE A BODY OF FLESH AND BONES? NO! Book of Mormon says;

"Believest thou that this Great **SPIRIT** who is God..." (Alma 18: 28) "God is Spirit and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit". (John 4: 24)" **NO MAN HAS SEEN GOD AT ANY TIME**". (John 1:18a) [see also; John 5:37; 1Tim :1:17, Col. 1:15) "...for a spirit hath not flesh and bones..."(Luke24:39)

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GOD WAS ONCE A MAN

"**God himself** was once as we are now, and **is an exalted man** that **he was once a man like us**; yea, that **God himself**, the Father of us all, **dwelt on this earth**, I am going to tell you **HOW GOD CAME TO BE GOD**. We have imagined....that **God was God from all eternity. I WILL REFUTE THAT IDEA**, and take away the veil,..." (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, p. 345-346, Also History of the Church, Vol. 6, p. 305) Mormon Apostle John Widtsoe declared; "**God and man** are of the **same race, differing** only in their **degrees of advancement**." (Gospel Through the Ages, pg. 107) / Mormon Apostle Parley P. Pratt states; "God, angels and men are ALL of the same species"... (Key to the Science of Theology, 1978 ed. pg.21)

GOD IS NOT A MAN!

"God is NOT A MAN" (Num. 23:19a)
"...for I am God, AND NOT MAN..."(Hos.11:9)
"...there is NONE LIKE ME." (Isa. 46:9b)
"...thou thoughtest that I WAS altogether such an **one as thyself: but I will reprove thee...**".
Psm.50:21) "Professing themselves to be wise, **they became fools**, and changed the glory of the **uncorruptible God** into an **IMAGE MADE LIKE TO CORRUPTIBLE MAN...**" (Rom. 1: 22-23)

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GOD CHANGED TO BECOME GOD:

"He became God-an exalted being-**through obedience to the same eternal Gospel truths that are given...to obey**" (Milton R-Hunter, The Gospel Through The Ages, p. 104)"We believe in a God who is Himself **progressive** ...whose perfection consists in **eternal advancement...** the Church (LDS) proclaims the eternal truth: **AS MAN IS, GOD ONCE WAS, AS GOD IS, MAN MAY BE**".(Articles of Faith, pg. 430 also Times and Seasons, Vol.5, pg. 613-614)

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GOD IS IMMUTABLE (never changing or varying!) For do we not read that God is the same yesterday, today, and forever and in Him **there is no variableness neither shadow of changing...** if you have imagined up unto yourselves **a god who doth vary**, ...then have ye imagined up unto yourselves **a god who is not God**".(Mormon 9: 9-11)

"And behold, I say unto you he **changeth NOT**;

and he ceaseth not to be God...". (Mormon 9:19b) "For I know that **God is not** a partial God, **neither a changeable being;** but **he is unchangeable** from all eternity to all eternity". (Mormon 8:18) "There is a God in heaven, ...infinite and eternal, ...the same **unchangeable God**".(Doc. & Cov. 20:17) "For I am the LORD, I change NOT..." (Mal. 3:6a) The heavens "...shall be changed; But **thou art the same**".(Psm. 102:25-27; Heb. 1:12) God has "...NO variableness, neither shadow of turning..."(James 1:17)

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A PLURALITY OF GODS EXISTS:

"Jesus Christ...God the Father ...the Holy Ghost a Spirit: **And these three constitute THREE GOD'S**" (Teachings of the Prophet Joseph Smith, pg. 370 & History of the Church, Vol. 6: 474) "...there is an infinite number of holy personages..., drawn from the worlds, who have passed on to exaltation and are thus **gods.**" (McConkie,pg. 577)

"In the beginning, **the head of the Gods** called a **council of the Gods;** and concocted a plan to create..." (History of the Church, Vol. 6:308 & Doc. & Cov. 121:32) Brigham Young said; "How many Gods there are, I do not know . But there never was a time when there were not Gods..." (Journal of Discourses 7:333)

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THERE IS ONLY ONE GOD!

"The Father...the Son...and the Holy Ghost

ARE ONE...and **whoso** shall **declare more** or less than this, and establish it for my doctrine, the same cometh of **Evil.**" (3 Nephi 11:27, 40) Towards the front of the B of M the last sentence in the **TESTIMONY OF THE THREE WITNESSES** says: "And honor be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, which is **ONE GOD.**" signed: Oliver Cowdery, David Witmer & Martin Harris. "...the **ONLY** and **TRUE** doctrine of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, which is **ONE GOD,** without end." (2Nephi 31:21b) In Alma 11:22 Amulek can say, "**nothing** which is **contrary** to the Spirit of the Lord." In verse 28 he is asked, "Is there **MORE THAN ONE GOD?**" He answered **NO**./ "**I Am He; before ME there was NO God formed, neither shall there be after Me**". (Isa. 43:10) "Thus saith the Lord...I am the **FIRST**, and I am the **LAST**, and besides Me there is **NO GOD**...Is there a God beside Me? Yea, there is **NO GOD** I know not any." (Isa. 44: 6,8) "...there is **no other God but ONE.** For even **IF THERE ARESO-CALLED gods,** ...Yet for us (believers) there **IS ONLY ONE GOD!**" (1Cor. 8:4-6)

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GOD OF LDS DOES NOT FORGIVE COMPLETELY: "And now, verily I say unto you, I, the Lord, will **not lay any sin too your charge;** go your way and sin no more; but unto the soul who sinneth **SHALL THE FORMER SINS RETURN.**" (Doc. & Cov. 82:7)

GOD OF THE BIBLE FORGIVES

COMPLETELY: "I even I (God) am He that **blotteth out** thy transgressions for Mine own sake, and **WILL NOT REMEMBER THY SINS.**" (Isa. 43:25)

In Jeremiah 31:34 it says God" **WILL FORGIVE** their iniquity, and I will **REMEMBER THEIR SIN NO MORE.**" "For I (God) will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their **SINS AND THEIR INIQUITIES WILL I REMEMBER NO MORE.**" (HEB. 8:12)

There is probably **no greater sin** than to place your trust in a god who is not the God of the Bible, whose attributes do not match! The biblical term for such a sin is **IDOLATRY!** God warn's "to go after other gods" he was to be put to **DEATH** (eternal seperation from Heavenly Father!!!) Deut.13:1-3,5

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How to receive Eternal Life from Jesus

1. Realize that salvation is a gift freely given from Jesus to you. (Eph. 2:8 & 9)
2. Decide to turn away from your false beliefs or unclean life. (Acts. 3: 19,20)
3. Receive Christ by praying and asking Him to come into your life as your Savior and Lord. (John 1:12 & 13.) Have you done this? Congratulations! You are now "Born Again"! (John 3:1-7)

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD! (Rom.8:15-17)

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