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OUR LORD'S PRAYER – JOHN 17

LESSON 21 – vs 21-23 Part 1

The next three verses of John 17 are crucial to the understanding of our true nature and identity in God. In verses 21-23 (KJV) Jesus says, ***“that they (all of us believers) all may be one. As Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us...that they may be one (with us and in us) even as we are one. I in them, and Thou in me, that they may be made (in) perfect (union) in one (with us)...”***.

God created Adam (and Adam's race) to be like a mirror image of Himself. Genesis 1:26-27 says, ***“and God (Elohiym) said, ‘Let us make man (‘adam) in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion...upon the earth.’ So, God created man (‘adam) in His own image, in the image (likeness) of God (Elohiym) He created him; (‘adam) male and female...”***.

God (Elohiym) is a triune divine being, single in unity. Adam was the name of the human race which Elohiym created in His likeness, as Elohiym had dominion in heaven, He created man (‘adam) to have dominion (rulership) in the earth, Elohiym's physical creation.

We are a trinity (triune being) just as Elohiym is a trinity (triune being). “Part and counterpart:”

- Father – soul
- Son – physical body
- Holy Spirit – human spirit

When I look at you, I see one person, yet you are soul, body, and spirit. I can only see your body (the physical) but I can know your soul (the expression of your mind, your emotions, and results of your will, i.e., your choices) and see evidence of your spirit (your energy, your “aura,” a sense of “who” you are).

The Father is the mind, will, thoughts, and emotional seat of the Godhead. The Son is the spoken word of the Father's mind, thoughts, will, and emotions, and the Son is the physical manifestation to man (‘adam) that we could and were able to see in the flesh, as well as in supernatural dreams and visions. The Holy Spirit is the expressed energy of the Godhead who in Genesis 1:2 moved upon the earth to bring together the creation of the world. ***“...and the (Holy Spirit of God (Elohiym) moved upon the face of the waters.”***

The Father planned the earth. The Son (The Word – John 1:1-5) spoke the plan into existence, and the Holy Spirit (the creative energy of the Godhead) “moved” to bring it all “together” according to Father's plan and Jesus' spoken word (or command). The “three” acted together “as one.”

So, also do you and I function. We think or plan (soul), we “speak” to our thoughts (either verbally or silently to ourselves), our “word,” then we act upon it by the life energy of the spirit, our “real” self in action. We are a trinity as is God Almighty, created in His image.

“Adam” was the name God gave to our race, not just a single individual. He created man (‘adam) as male and female. “Adam,” is gender neutral. We added gender identity to “man.” God’s gender identity is “male” and “female.”