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(John 10:30)

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- **John 10:30:** I and *my* Father are one.

Jesus words, "I and the Father are one" are used to support the theory that Jesus is God by those who hold to this doctrine. But this is reading into what Jesus is saying something that is not there. It is only those who have a pre-conceived mindset that Jesus is God who interprets this verse in such an erroneous manner.

The words:

- I and the Father are one.

Mean I and the Father are of the same mind, they have the same eternal plans, purposes and goals. It means the Father and the Son have perfect love and perfect unity and, in all things, have the same mind. It means that whatever the Father wills is exactly in tune with Christ's will and whatever Christ wills is exactly what the Father wills. It means they are perfect in unity and perfect in love and perfect in mind. The statement, "I and the Father are One" is the same kind of language twins use when they say "They are One," Or when a husband and wife say, "They are One," It does not mean they are one person, but that they are identical in mind meaning two individual people have the same mind, purpose, goals, plans, motivation and character, this is what Jesus means when he says, "I and the Father are One."

In John in chapter seventeen Jesus prays asking his Father to:

- Keep those who he has given him so that they may be one, as they are one (John 17:11).

Jesus is praying that a collective group of individuals would be one as God the Father and Jesus Christ are one which shows very clearly that the expression:

- I and the Father are One.

Does not mean they are one individual. God could never answer Jesus pray if that was the case since a collective group of individuals cannot become a single individual. Becoming one means that two or more people have the same mind in purpose plans and motivation they are in perfect unity together this is what Jesus is praying for the body of Christ. Becoming one is all about becoming one in mind and one in perfect unity. Jesus continues his prayer asking that: -

- They all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gave me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one (John 17:21-23).

The expression, "That they all may be one," Is in relationship to being one in perfect love and unity. God's love is best manifested on earth through the unity of those who believe in Him. Since the belief that a person must believe Jesus is God to be saved to eternal life has taken such a stronghold in the Christian faith many who deny this teaching can feel intimidated (especially new converts) by those who believe Jesus is God and are often rejected by the traditional church as heretics and told that they cannot possibly be saved to eternal life. The following will bring comfort to every faithful believer who accepts the simple truth that God is the eternal, immortal, invisible Almighty creator and source of all life and that Jesus is His most beloved Son and hopefully shine a brilliant light upon how grossly wrong it is to believe that a man or woman believing in Christ is a heretic and cannot possibly be saved to eternal life simply because they do not hold to the traditional teaching that Jesus is God.

Especially since there is not one verse in the entire Bible that states:

- Sinners must believe that Jesus is God to be saved.

Nor is there one verse from Genesis to Revelations that says:

- Whoever believes that Jesus is God the Son will be saved.

In total contrast to this silence there are literally multitudes of Scriptures throughout the pages of the New Testament that very clearly proclaim:

- Sinners must believe that Jesus is the Son of God to be saved.

And that say:

- Whoever believes that Jesus is the Son of God will be saved.

Surely if it was important to believe that Jesus was actually God to be saved to eternal life Jesus, the apostles and Paul would have told us at least once in all their teaching concerning salvation, but all we hear from Paul, the apostles and Jesus himself is them saying that we must believe that Jesus is the Son of God to be saved to eternal life.

- Jesus said, “This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent (John 17:3).

It is enormously difficult for this author to comprehend how the doctrine, “Jesus is God” ever got such a strong foothold in the global body of Christ when there is so much evidence that very clearly shows that this is simply not so.

For further information see the title:

- Jesus and the Father are One (John 17:1-4).

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