



**You will find in this teaching who you are now within Yahshua...**

## **Union With God: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit**

**The Scriptures teach a profound mystery: believers are brought into fellowship, communion, and spiritual union with God through Messiah and by the Holy Spirit. The Bible teaches that God dwells in His people, that believers dwell in Him, and that the life of Messiah is shared with His people. At the same time, Scripture maintains the distinction between the Creator and His creatures. We become children, heirs, partakers, temples, and members of His body, but we do not become God by nature.**

**The passages below are among the most important texts on this subject. Read them all and meditate on who you are!**

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## **I. THE OLD TESTAMENT FOUNDATION**

### **Created in God's Image**

**Genesis 1:26-27**

**"And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness..."**

**Man was created to reflect God's character and fellowship with Him.**

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## **God Walking With Man**

**Genesis 3:8**

**"And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden..."**

**The original purpose was communion with God.**

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## **Enoch Walked With God**

**Genesis 5:24**

**"And Enoch walked with God..."**

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## **God's Desire to Dwell Among His People**

**Exodus 25:8**

**"And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them."**

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## **God's Presence in His People**

**Leviticus 26:11-12**

**"And I will set my tabernacle among you... and will walk among you, and will be your God."**

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## **One Spirit and One Heart**

**Ezekiel 11:19**

**"And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you."**

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**Ezekiel 36:26-27**

**"A new heart also will I give you... and I will put my Spirit within you."**

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**Ezekiel 37:27**

**"My tabernacle also shall be with them."**

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## **God's Spirit Poured Out**

**Joel 2:28**

**"I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh."**

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## **II. "YE ARE GODS" — PSALM 82 AND JOHN 10**

**This is the passage Yahshua quoted.**

**Psalm 82:6**

**"I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High."**

**The Hebrew word is *elohim*. In the Psalm, God addresses human rulers and judges who were entrusted with authority under Him.**

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**John 10:34-36**

**"Yahshua answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?"**

**Yahshua quotes Psalm 82 to answer the accusation of blasphemy. His argument is that if Scripture could use the term "gods" for those to whom God's word came, how much more could He, whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, be called the Son of God.**

**This passage teaches the exalted calling of God's people, but it does not teach that believers become God Himself. Rather, believers are God's children and representatives who participate in His life.**

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## **III. YAHSHUA'S TEACHING ON MUTUAL INDWELLING**

### **The Father in the Son**

**John 14:10**

**"The Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works."**

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**John 10:38**

**"The Father is in me, and I in him."**

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### **Believers Included in This Relationship**

**John 14:20**

**One of the greatest statements in Scripture:**

**"At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you."**

**Notice the sequence:**

- **Yahshua in the Father**
  - **Believers in Yahshua**
  - **Yahshua in believers**
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**John 14:23**

**"If a man love me... my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him."**

**The Father, Son and the Spirit of God make their dwelling in believers.**

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**John 15:4**

"Abide in me, and I in you."

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**John 15:5**

"He that abideth in me, and I in him."

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## **IV. JOHN 17 — THE GREAT PRAYER OF ONENESS**

This is the clearest chapter in Scripture regarding vital union with God.

**John 17:21**

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us."

Believers are invited into the fellowship shared by the Father and the Son.

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**John 17:22**

"The glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one."

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**John 17:23**

"I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one."

This verse contains three layers:

1. The Father in the Son.
2. The Son in believers.
3. Believers perfected in unity.

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## **John 17:26**

"That the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them."

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# **V. THE LIFE OF MESSIAH POURED INTO BELIEVERS**

## **Galatians 2:20**

"I am crucified with Messiah: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Messiah [Yahshua] liveth in me."

Paul says the life he now lives is the life of Messiah operating in him.

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## **Colossians 1:27**

"Messiah Yahshua within you, the hope of glory."

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## **Philippians 1:21**

"For to me to live is Messiah [Yashua]."

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## **Romans 8:10**

"And if Messiah [Yahshua] be within you..."

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# **VI. THE HOLY SPIRIT DWELLS IN BELIEVERS**

## **John 14:16-17**

"He dwelleth with you, and shall be within you."

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## **Romans 8:9**

"The Spirit of God dwells in you."

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## **Romans 8:11**

"The Spirit of him that raised up Yahshua from the dead dwell in you."

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## **1 Corinthians 3:16**

"Ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth within you."

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## **1 Corinthians 6:19**

"Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit."

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## **2 Timothy 1:14**

"The Holy Spirit which dwelleth in us."

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# **VII. ONE SPIRIT WITH THE LORD**

## **1 Corinthians 6:17**

One of the strongest verses on spiritual union...

**"But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit."**

**The believer is united with Messiah through the Holy Spirit.**

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## **VIII. PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE**

**The sin nature has been crucified! Romans Chapter 6**

**2 Peter 1:4**

**"That by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature."**

**Peter teaches participation in God's life and character.**

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## **IX. FILLED WITH THE FULLNESS OF GOD**

**Ephesians 3:17-19**

**"That Messiah may dwell in your hearts by faith... that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God."**

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**Ephesians 4:6**

**"One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."**

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## **X. THE BODY OF MESSIAH**

**Ephesians 5:30**

**"For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones."**

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## **Ephesians 5:31-32**

"This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Messiah Yahshua and the church."

Paul uses marriage as a picture of union between Messiah and His people.

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## **XI. GOD DWELLS IN HIS PEOPLE**

### **2 Corinthians 6:16**

"I will dwell in them, and walk in them."

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### **Revelation 21:3**

"Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men [indwelt], and he will dwell with them."

The final destiny of redeemed humanity is unhindered fellowship with God!

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## **XII. ADOPTION INTO GOD'S FAMILY**

### **Romans 8:14-17**

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

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### **1 John 3:1**

"Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God."

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### **1 John 3:2**

"Beloved, now are we the sons of God."

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# XIII. THE MOST IMPORTANT SUMMARY PASSAGES

Studying this doctrine deeply, focus especially on:

- Psalm 82:6
- John 10:34-36
- John 14:20
- John 14:23
- John 15:4-5
- John 17:21-23
- Romans 8:9-17
- 1 Corinthians 6:17
- 2 Corinthians 6:16
- Galatians 2:20
- Ephesians 3:17-19
- Ephesians 4:6
- Colossians 1:27
- 2 Peter 1:4
- 1 John 3:1-2
- Revelation 21:3

## The Central Biblical Truth

Yahshua prayed:

"That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us" (John 17:21).

The New Testament repeatedly teaches that believers are:

- In the Father
- In the Son
- Indwelt by the Holy Spirit
- Partakers of the divine nature
- One spirit with the Lord
- Filled with the fullness of God
- Members of Messiah's body
- Children of God

- **Temples of the Holy Spirit**

**This is the mystery that Paul called:**

**"Messiah in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:27).**

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