# The Almighty Father is the 'I AM' - King, Shepherd and Savior

In the Old Testament, **The Almighty Father** proclaims that <u>He</u> is **'I AM'** (Exodus 3:14). In the New Testament, **Yahshua MessiYah** proclaims that <u>He</u> is **'I AM'** (John 8:58).

Are there two 'I AM's?

No. The Almighty Father is the only 'I AM'.

The apostle Paul gives us understanding.

Paul tells us in 1 Corinthians 8:6, "for us there is one God, the Father."

Paul tells us in Ephesians 4:6 there is "one God and Father of all."

Paul then tells us our "one God, the Father", manifested Himself in flesh.

"God was manifested in the flesh" 1 Timothy 3:16

(Notice that Paul does not say, Gods 'son' was manifested in the flesh.)

The Apostle Paul <u>knew</u> that Yahshua MessiYah was <u>The Almighty Father</u> manifested in flesh. We see that Paul used Old Testament Scriptures which spoke of <u>The Almighty Father</u>, and <u>applied</u> those Scriptures <u>directly</u> to <u>Yahshua MessiYah</u>.

Romans 10:13 referencing Joel 2:32 1 Corinthians 2:16 referencing Isaiah 40:13 1 Corinthians 10:26 referencing Psalm 24:1 1 Corinthians 1:31 referencing Jeremiah 9:24 2 Corinthians 10:17 referencing Jeremiah 9:24

That is why Paul calls Yahshua, "our great God and Savior." Titus 2:13

### The Almighty Father appears to Moses

When The Almighty Father appeared to Moses in the burning bush, Moses asked His name.

The Almighty Father gave Moses this reply:

"I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites:
"I AM has sent me to you." Exodus 3:14

Ever since this name was spoken by **The Almighty Father**, the Israelites considered the name "I AM" to be sacred.

This name was not to be used in vain or bestowed on <u>anyone</u> other than **The Almighty Father <u>Himself</u>**.

The Gospel of John tells us that one day the Pharisees came to question Yahshua.

Yahshua responded to their questions saying,

"I tell you the <u>truth</u>, before Abraham was born, I AM!"

John 8:58

Here, Yahshua called <u>Himself</u> the ancient and sacred name of The Almighty Father, 'I AM'.

Yahshua proclaimed to them that <u>He</u> was 'I AM'; The Almighty Father of Exodus 3:14 that they <u>purported</u> to worship.

The Pharisees became enraged when Yahshua made this **proclamation** and picked up stones to kill Him for blasphemy.

Sadly, there are many people today who, just like the Pharisees of old, reject our Savior's own words proclaiming His identity as being 'I AM', The Almighty Father come manifested in flesh.

## Isaiah's Prophecy – The Almighty Father will be born as a 'Son' (human) made of flesh

This is what the prophet Isaiah <u>told us was going to happen!</u> The Almighty Father <u>Himself</u> was going to come to us <u>born in flesh</u> as our MessiYah!

For unto us a <u>Child is born</u>, Unto us a <u>Son</u> is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,

<u>Mighty God</u>, <u>Everlasting Father</u>, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Isaiah told us our "Mighty God" and "Everlasting Father" would come to us as a "Son" because He was going to be "born" of a woman and would be a man made of flesh. He would be human!

He will be, at one and the same time, a human like us, and our "Mighty God" and "Everlasting Father" in His deity.

## We see Isaiah's prophesy fulfilled in Matthew 1:23

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which is translated. "God with us."

Isaiah 9:6

unto us a <u>child</u> is <u>born</u>... Unto us a <u>Son</u> is given...

His name... Mighty God, Everlasting Father

Matthew 1:23
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His name... God with us

## If Yahshua was The Almighty Father manifested in flesh... Why did He pray?

The **key** to understanding why Yahshua MessiYah *(The Father manifested in flesh)* prayed, can be found in these three scriptures: Matthew 3:15; Hebrews 2:17 and Psalms 65:2.

Matthew 3:13-15

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to <u>prevent</u> Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by <u>You</u>, <u>and are You coming to me?"</u>

But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so <u>now</u>, for thus it is fitting for us <u>to fulfill all righteousness</u>."

Hebrews 2:17

"Therefore He (Yahshua MessiYah) had to be made like His brothers in every respect."

#### **Questions:**

Why would The Almighty Father manifested in flesh need to be baptized?

Why would The Almighty Father manifested in flesh need to pray?

#### The Answer:

Yahshua MessiYah prayed <u>for the same reason</u> that He was baptized... to <u>fulfill all righteousness as a man made of flesh</u>.

The Almighty Father came to us <u>as a man</u> manifested in flesh in order to fulfill every 'jot and tittle' of the Law on <u>our</u> behalf.

If He failed to 'fulfill all righteousness' <u>as a man made of flesh</u>, His entire mission to save us would fail!

Yahshua had to 'fulfill all righteousness' as a man made of flesh, just like us! He had to <u>literally</u> be our 'kinsman redeemer' to be our Savior!

We read in Psalms 65:2

"O You who hear prayer, To You all flesh will come."

Notice, scripture does not say that **some** flesh will come, or **most** flesh will come, or **most** flesh will come, or **most** flesh will come."

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The answer to why Yahshua prayed is quite simple. Yahshua was made "like his brothers in every respect". Yahshua was genuinely human; He was born of flesh. (Romans 9:5; Isaiah 9:6).

Being born of flesh, and in order to *fulfill all righteousness*, Yahshua MessiYah Himself prayed as scripture states all flesh will do.

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### Yahshua said,

## "the <u>true</u> worshipers will worship <u>the</u> <u>Father</u>" <u>Yahshua</u> <u>welcomes</u> and <u>accepts</u> people's worship

"But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth"

John 4:23

According to Yahshua, "the true worshipers" will worship the Father".

And the Scriptures show that people worshiped Yahshua.

From the very beginning of Yahshua's life, **He** was worshiped.

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him".

And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him.

Matthew 2:2, 11



Yahshua was worshiped as a baby.

Yahshua was worshiped by His disciples.

Yahshua was worshiped by everyday people.

Yahshua was worshiped by demon possessed people.

Yahshua was worshiped after His resurrection.

Yahshua was worshiped and He welcomed people's worship.

The Scriptures not only show that **Yahshua was worshiped**, they show that He <u>welcomed</u> and <u>accepted</u> worship.

In *every* instance, Yahshua *welcomed* and *accepted* people's worship.

Two memorable examples of Yahshua <u>accepting worship</u> occurred just after His resurrection when "Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb."

So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "Rejoice!"

So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him.

Matthew 28:8-9

Question: Yahshua clearly said,

"the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth"

Why then, did Yahshua allow people to worship Him?

#### The Answer:

Yahshua <u>allowed</u> and <u>accepted</u> people's worship because **He** <u>was</u> The Almighty Father manifested in flesh.

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Yahshua answered Philip saying,

Philip, I have been with you for a long time.

Don't you know who I am?

If you have seen me, you have seen the Father.

How can you ask me to show you the Father?

John 14:8-9 CEV

Believer, if **you** asked Yahshua to show you the Father, what do you think He would say to you?

## Salvation is a gift for you

Salvation is a **gift** we receive when we call upon Yahshua MessiYah, *The Almighty Father manifested in flesh*.

The **gift** of salvation cannot be earned by our deeds, works or fruitless self-righteous attempts at 'keeping the Law'. We cannot obtain it by being a "good person" or by attending church.

We can only receive our salvation as a gift from Yahshua MessiYah to us.

**Everyone** who calls upon the name of Yahshua will be saved, so call upon Him now. Tomorrow is not assured.

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