

Oneness is the belief in one indivisible God with no distinction of persons, and that all the fullness of the Godhead incarnate dwells in Jesus.

What Was the Belief System in the Bible?

- Only one God exists (**Isaiah 43:10-11; 44:6; 46:9**).
- The message of the entire Old Testament is radical monotheism, the belief in one God (**Exodus 20:3; Deuteronomy 4:39**).
- The oneness message was firmly established in the Old Testament (**Deuteronomy 6:4**) and was reaffirmed in the New Testament (**Mark 12:29**). The doctrine of the “trinity” (the belief of God existing in three distinct persons) is not found anywhere in Scripture.
- God does not share His glory and power with anyone (**Isaiah 42:8**).

What Is the Nature of God?

- God is a Spirit (**John 4:24; II Corinthians 3:17**).
 - He fills the entire universe (**Psalms 139:7-10; I Kings 8:27**).
 - He is invisible (**I Timothy 1:17; John 1:18**).
 - As a Spirit, He did not have flesh and bones (**Luke 24:39**).
- God could not come to Earth and pay the price for our sins as a Spirit; He had to have a body. So God was manifest (made known to us) in flesh and came to die for our sins (**I Timothy 3:16**).
- The promised messiah that we see in the New Testament (Jesus) is the same “everlasting Father” of the Old Testament (**Isaiah 9:6; Matthew 1:18-23**)!
- God became a man and dwelt among His people (**Matthew 1:23; John 1:1, 14**).
 - Since God is a Spirit, Jesus is the physical manifestation of God (**Colossians 1:15**).
- Jesus is who we will see sitting on the one throne in Heaven (**Matthew 19:28; Revelation 4:2**).

What Does the Bible Say about Jesus Being God?

- Jesus is the one person in the Godhead. All the fullness of the Godhead dwells in Jesus Christ (**Colossians 2:9**).
- Jesus said He was the “I AM” of the Old Testament (**John 8:57-58** referencing **Exodus 3:14**).
 - Jesus said there is no distinction between Him and His “Father.” Jesus is the “everlasting Father”; they are one (**John 10:30; 14:9**, both confirming **Isaiah 9:6**).
 - Scripture confirms that Jesus is the literal image of God (**Colossians 1:15**).
- God has only one name, and that name is Jesus (**Zechariah 14:9; Acts 4:12; 7:59**).
 - Jesus is the name of the Father (**Isaiah 9:6**; cp. **John 5:43**).
 - Jesus is the name of the Son (**Isaiah 9:6**; cp. **Matthew 1:21-23**).
 - Jesus is the name of the Holy Spirit (**Isaiah 9:6**; cp. **John 14:26**; “the Comforter” in v. 26 references “prince of peace” in **Isaiah 9:6**).
- We see this acted out in Scripture when the disciples fulfilled the command of Jesus in **Matthew 28:19** by baptizing exclusively in the name of Jesus (**Acts 2:38; 8:16; 19:4-5**).