FATHER IN THE BIBLE

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In the Bible, God is not the three persons of the Godhead, God is numerically one God. (Galatians 3:20; James 2:19). But He dwells in three persons officially; we know that He dwells in the persons because Jesus taught us this fact through His **incarnation**. We are told that "God was in Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:19), this, among others, is how we know that God dwells in the persons of the Father, the Son, and the Spirit. This one God in the three persons is called the **Divine Nature** (2 Peter 1:4), and so we shall call Him. Furthermore this **God the Divine Nature** is also called the **Father**. so that when the word Father is used, it means the Father Divine Nature. Thus if we were to say God the Father, it means the **Father Divine Nature** (Galatians 1:3). But there is also the person of the father in which the Divine Nature officially dwells. The Bible used the word Father to sometimes mean just the Divine Nature without any reference to the person of the Father, and then it uses the word Father to mean the Father Person (in whom the Divine Nature dwells). So in this tract we shall layout verses from the Bible where the word "Father" means not the person of the Father, but the **Divine Nature**, we will call this the **Father Di**vine Nature to so indicate; and we shall isolate verses where the word "Father" means the Divine Nature in the person of the Father specifically, and indicate them under the heading Father Person. This is the pattern we shall follow. This tract is written to encourage focus on the word Father in the Bible, and to encourage close scrutiny and judgment on the matter, by each individual as he studies the verses from his Bible. It is meant to heighten the consciousness about spiritual things and to develop discernment in the Scriptures. May all who study be blessed in like manner. Amen.

FATHER DIVINE NATURE

Matt 5:16,45,48; Matt 6:1,4,6,8,9,14,15,18,26,32; Matt 7:11,21; Matt 10:20,29; Matt 13:43; Matt 18:14; Matt 23:9. (We have left out Mark because it repeats what is already covered in Matthew). Lk 10:21,22; Lk 11:2,13; Lk 12:30; Lk 23:34,46; Jn 1:18; Jn 4:21,23; Jn 5:18,23,45; Jn 6:27,46; Jn 8:27,41,42; Jn 10:30,36,38; Jn 12:28; Jn 14:6-11,13,16,20,21,23,28,31; Jn 16:3,32; Jn 17:11,21,25; Rom 1:7; Rom 8:15; 1 Cor 1:3; 1 Cor 8:6; 1 Cor 15:24; 2 Cor 1:2,3; 2 Cor 6:18; Gal 1:1,3,4; Gal 4:6; Eph 1:2,17; Eph 2:18; Eph 3:14; Eph 4:6; Eph 2 Cor 11:31; Eph 1:3; Col 1:3; 5:20; Eph 6:23; Phil 1:2; Phil 2:11; Phil 4:20; Col 1:2,12,19; Col 2:2; 1 Thess 1:1,3; 1 Thess 3:11,13; 2 Thess 1:1,2; 2 Thess 2:16; 1 Tim 1:2; 2 Tim 1:2; Tit 1:4; Phil 1:3; Heb 12:9; Jam 1:17,27; Jam 3:9; 1 Pet 1:2,17; 2 Pet 1:17; 1 Jn 1:2; 1 Jn 2:1,13,15,16; 1 Jn 3:1; 2 Jn 1:3,4; 2 Jn 1:9; Jude. 1:1.

FATHER PERSON

Matt 10:32,33; Matt 11:25,26,27; Matt 12:50; Matt 15:13; Matt 16:17,27; Matt 18:10,19,35; Matt 20:23; Matt 24:36; Matt 25:34; Matt 26:39,42,53; Matt 28:19; Lk 22:29,42; Lk 24:49; Jn 1:14; Jn 3:35; Jn 5:17,19-23,26,30,36,37; Jn 6:32,37,44,45,57,65; Jn 8:16,18,19,28,29,38,49,54, Jn 10:15,17,18 29,32,37; Jn 11:41; Jn 12:26,27,49,50; Jn 13:1,3; Jn 14:12,26,28; Jn 15:1,8,9,15,16,23,24,26; Jn 16:10,15-17,23,25-28; Jn 17:1,5,24; Jn 18:11; Jn 20:17,21; Rom 6:4; Rom 15:6; 2 Cor 1:3; Col 3:17; Heb 1:5; 1 Pet 1:3; 1 Jn 1:3; 1 Jn 2:2,23,24; 1 Jn 4:14; 1 Jn 5:7; Rev 1:6; Rev 2:27; Rev 3:5,21.