WHO, OR WHAT, IS YOUR GOD?

Just what determines who, or what, is your God? Actually, most people do not realize the true answer to that question! WHOever, or WHATEVER, you worship, fasten your affection on, and SERVE, is your "GOD."

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One's country may – and sometimes becomes – one's "god." Through a wrong kind of patriotism, many people WORSHIP their country, "right or wrong." John in Revelation was inspired to write of such misplaced worship: "And they worshipped the dragon (Satan) which gave power unto the beast (Roman Empire or World Government); and they WORSHIPPED THE BEAST, saying, "WHO IS LIKE UNTO THE BEAST? Who is able to make war with him?" (Rev.13:4).

Satan is the god of this world (II Cor.4:4). But he does not appear as a red suited, pitchfork holding, dragon to people – but as an "angel of light" (II Cor.11:13-15). People worship Satan ignorantly, because he "appears" to be truthful, enlightened, and powerful. They become deceived by his deception and brilliance just as Eve was deceived in the garden of Eden!

Whoever or whatever you serve and obey becomes your god, ruler, and master. Paul wrote, "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey, whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" (Rom.6:16).

The very word, or title, "Lord," means MASTER, or RULER, one who has control, the one whom you OBEY! Jesus said many people would appear before Him in judgment, and say to Him, "Lord, Lord," yet would not make it into His Kingdom. He will answer them, "Why call ye me Lord, Lord, and DO NOT THE THINGS WHICH I SAY?" (Luke 6:46).

So let's understand this! The one whom you serve, follow, and obey, that is your GOD! If you follow the way of Satan, then he is your god – whether you are deceived, and do it ignorantly, or whether you do so knowingly!

The real question, then, is – WHO IS THE TRUE GOD?

There are many false gods, imposters, and frauds. There are many different religions in the world – Shintoism, Hinduism, the Muslim religion, witchcraft,

voodooism, etc., etc. Many different "gods" are worshipped on the earth! But there is only ONE TRUE GOD!

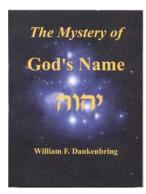
Jesus Christ said, to the Samaritan woman at the well, "You worship what you do not know; we [the Jews] know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the TRUE WORSHIPPERS will worship the Father [the true God] in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him" (John 4:22-23). He added: "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (verse 24).

Jesus later prayed to the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, the true God, saying, "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, *the only true God*, and Jesus Christ [Yeshua the Messiah] whom You have sent" (John 17:3).

Muslims worship one whom they call Allah, Hindus worship various gods, but there is only ONE true God – the Creator of the heavens and the earth! The Scriptures reveal His name as YEHOVAH – the "One who is, and who causes to be," the "Self-Existent One," or as Moffatt translates it, "The Eternal." The Hebrew letters yod, hey, vav, hey, called the "Tetragrammaton," or YHVH, spell out the name Yehovah, and refer to God as the Covenant God, who keeps His promises, and covenants with His people. He is the Redeemer, Saviour, the Salvation and Deliverer of His people! He is also called Elohim, which means "The Mighty One" or "Mighty Ones." The Scriptures reveal that both the Father, or Ancient of Days (Daniel 7:22), and the Word – the Logos – are "God" (John 1:1-3).

The apostle Paul reveals this truth when he writes, "For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as there are many gods and many lords), yet for us there is ONE GOD, THE FATHER, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, through whom are all things, and through whom we live" (I Cor.8:5-6).

Your GOD is the one whom you SERVE, follow, and OBEY – and WORSHIP, that is, hold in high esteem and revere! We worship the TRUE GOD by obeying Him, loving Him, keeping His commandments, and living according to His LAW, Torah, and Teaching! Write for your copy of our new book, THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S NAME. The true God is revealed in His wonderful name, and you need to know it!



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