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I. ONE God.

⁴ *"Hear, O Israel: **The Lord our God, the Lord is one.** ⁵ You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might" (Deuteronomy 6:4–5).*

²⁹ *Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: **The Lord our God, the Lord is one.** ³⁰ And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength'" (Mark 12:29–30).*

⁵ *"I am the Lord, and **there is no other, besides me there is no God;** I equip you, though you do not know me, ⁶ that people may know, from the rising of the sun and from the west, that **there is none besides me;** I am the Lord, and **there is no other**" (Isaiah 45:5–6).*

II. Before the World Began.

⁵ *And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you **before the world existed.** ²⁴ Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me **before the foundation of the world** (John 17:5, 24).*

¹ ***In the beginning was the Word,** and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God.** ² **He was in the beginning with God.** ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made (John 1:1-3).*

*"**I and the Father are one**" (John 10:30).*

¹¹ *"...keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, **even as we are one.** ²¹ that they may all be one, **just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you...** ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one" (John 17:11, 21-22).*

III. Our One God Does Not Change.

He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power... (Hebrews 1:3a).

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation (Colossians 1:15).

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty" (Revelation 1:8).

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever (Hebrews 13:8).

For I the Lord do not change... (Malachi 3:6).

that they may know that you alone, whose name is the Lord, are the Most High over all the earth (Psalm 83:18).

IV. There is Only One Word from God.

⁴⁶ he said to them, "Take to heart all the words by which I am warning you today, that you may command them to your children, that they may be careful to do all the words of this law. ⁴⁷ For it is **no empty word for you, but your very life**, and by this word you shall live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess" (Deuteronomy 32:46–47).

³² Now the passage of the **Scripture** that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth." ³⁵ Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning with this **Scripture** he told him the good news about Jesus (Acts 8:32, 35).

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the **Scriptures** we might have hope (Romans 15:4).

⁸ "Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors, ⁹ **remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me,** ¹⁰ declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose'" (Isaiah 46:8–10).

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