

“Be One”

“I say unto you, be one, and if ye are not one ye are not mine”
(Doctrine and Covenants | Section 38:27).ⁱ

This is a very important “Celestial” declaration from Christ. On November 15th early in the morning, I had this personal revelation [thoughts] come into my mind. I had been pondering and praying for a long time to understand what creates the differences between the Celestial, Terrestrial, and Telestial Glories. I knew it had to do with “beliefs,” which makes perfect sense but I was not sure exactly what beliefs created the separations.

This is what I saw. All the Glories are connected to beliefs. It is their type of worship that creates the separation.

I was shown that the Telestial, Terrestrial and Celestial Glories are made up of wonderful people who have repented of all their sins, [how beautiful is that!] specifically their carnal natures, this is necessary in order to receive a resurrection in any glory, for corruption [sin] cannot put on incorruption,ⁱⁱ [a resurrection]. All can repent,ⁱⁱⁱ forgive and put on a “new creature”^{iv} in Christ! Everyone who receives “glory” will repent if they want a resurrection.^v That is what the atonement is all about. “Atonement” does not mean a sinful person will resurrect, it literally means a sinful person must “repent” to “become one,” or “be one” in godliness of character in thought, word, and deed, i.e. at-one-ment with god/God and then receive a resurrection.

So, what is it that separates the glories? It boils down to “**who**,” they worship or “**how**” and “**what**” they worship! That is a simple truth:

“There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars” (New Testament | 1 Corinthians 15:41).

1. The Telestial Glory are those who worship the “**who**,” i.e., they choose to worship “God the person” and religious institutions^{vi} through the ordinances and ceremonies of the gospel, the lesser law.^{vii} **All** organized religions on earth are presented here in the Telestial Glory. Many of these are and were “the religious leaders” of their day, and only include members who, lied, deceived, and were deceived; [“others will he [the devil] pacify, and lull them away into carnal security”]^{viii} some were adulterers, fornicators, and murderers. All eventually will repent^{ix} [how glorious is that!] of their carnal natures so they can receive a resurrection in Telestial Glory. “Corruption [sin] cannot put on incorruption [resurrection.]” This is their conditional path, their chosen path to salvation.
2. The Terrestrial Glory also worship the “**who**” and are those who “died without the law,” “**These are they who are honorable men of the earth, [honest people who did not lie or deceive, cheat or steal, they did not fornicate or commit adultery and had only one wife if they were married] who were blinded by the craftiness of men.**” In their worship, not understanding the scriptures. They are or were associated with organized religion, some knew of the gospel of “Christ” [i.e., faith and repentance] some choose not to be part of organized religion on earth, and others did. Many of these were taught the gospel of Christ on earth and in the spirit world and came to accept Christ and worshiped Him, “the person” [the who]. “We saw the terrestrial” (D&C 76:71) “Behold, these are they **who died without law.** (D&C 76:72). “And also they who are the spirits of men kept in prison [why were they kept in prison, because they had not come to accept the Christ in mortality but afterward did], whom the Son visited, and preached the gospel unto them, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh; [through faith in Christ and repentance]. Who received not the testimony of Jesus in the flesh, but afterwards received it [meaning, they came to know He was the Son of God afterward]. **These are they who are honorable men of the earth, who were blinded by the craftiness of**

men. These are they who are not valiant in the testimony of Jesus” (D&C 76:73 - 79) They worshiped the person, the individual, the form, the structure of Christ the person. This is their conditional choice and path to Terrestrial salvation.

To be “valiant in the testimony of Jesus” is the next dimension of worship from a Celestial perspective as you will see.

It is interesting to note that the Telesstial and Terrestrial, both worship the “who,” the person Christ and/or Father, [this is called formalism, it is the “affects of faith”], and the Celestial are the only ones who worship through the **“effects of faith,”**^x “in spirit and in truth.”^{xi} The Celestial don’t worship the person, [the “who”] directly [for that is formalism, a type of idolatry]. The Celestial worship literally through the attributes, character, and perfections of godliness^{xii} within themselves, in their personal lives [in their mind, heart, and deeds/soul]! Only this path of “becoming” can make a person “one” with the Father and Christ, hence “be one for if ye are not one ye are not mine.”^{xiii} Christ did not bow down and worship the Father and neither should we. It is a precise type of inward worship. “For I delight in the law of God after the **inward man**: (Romans 7:22) “faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the **inward man** is renewed day by day” (2 Corinthians 4:16).

3. The Celestial are the only ones who come to know and understand **“how”** and **“what”**^{xiv} to worship [the “who” is left out] so that they fulfill their greatest divine potential.^{xv} And are “no respecter of persons”^{xvi} but of a divine and holy character! This is the only “truth” that can make them “one” with the Father [Lectures on Faith 1-7]. In other words, the Celestial does not worship the “who,” as in the person Father or Christ, the image, the man, the individual person. They worship inwardly, “in Spirit,” and “in truth,” which is to “think,” “speak” and “walk” in the spirit of [u meaning unconditional] **charity/love**, **u-joy**, **u-peace**, **u-impeccable honesty**, **u-virtue**, **u-mercy**, and **u-justice**. These are the basic 7 unconditional “fruits of the spirit.”^{xvii} This is how the **“effects of**

faith” really work, from the inside out. It is the pure love of godliness! It is the “I AM THAT I AM” inward experience! Who AM I? I AM unconditional charity/love, I AM unconditional virtue, I AM unconditional honesty, and so on.

These virtues must be sought after, moment by moment, in our lives. This is how the Celestial sanctify themselves! This is how they become “holy,” as the Father and Christ are Holy.^{xviii} It is called “pure religion” and it is “made without hands.” **“If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world”** (New Testament | James 1:26 - 27). Of such is the “church of the Firstborn”^{xix} or the “church of the Lamb of God.”^{xx} Both churches symbolize a spiritual church **“made without hands,”** or the true “temple of God”^{xxi} **“made without hands”** and this spiritual church has been gathering members since the days of Adam **and will continue on into eternity** because this is the “stone cut out of the mountain **without hands**” which is the true nature of agency. In other words, God and godliness, are always available to any sincere seeker in faith through the “effects of faith” alone at any time in eternity! When we are ready to see this truth, we will experience it within ourselves and say “I AM THAT I AM!” And that is exactly who we really are potentially. This can be anyone’s birthright, inheritance, and experience, being co-equal and co-eternal with god/God!^{xxii}

ⁱ “And let every man esteem his brother as himself, and practice virtue and holiness before me. And again I say unto you, let every man esteem his brother as himself. For what man among you having twelve sons, and is no respecter of them, and they serve him obediently, and he saith unto the one: Be thou clothed in robes and sit thou here; and to the other: Be thou clothed in rags and sit thou there—and

looketh upon his sons and saith I am just? Behold, this I have given unto you as a parable, and it is even as I am” (Doctrine and Covenants | Section 38:24 - 27).

ii “*There is* one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for *one* star differeth from *another* star in glory. So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption” (New Testament | 1 Corinthians 15:41 - 42).

“Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption”(1 Corinthians 15:50).

“For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory” (1 Corinthians 15:53 - 54).

iii “Repent, all ye ends of the earth, for the kingdom of heaven is soon at hand; yea, the Son of God cometh in his glory” (Book of Mormon | Alma 5:50).

iv “For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. (New Testament | Galatians 6:15) Or for us today it could be said this way, “For in Christ Jesus neither baptism availeth anything, nor unbaptism, but a new creature.”

“Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new” (New Testament | 2 Corinthians 5:17).

v “But if they would not repent they must suffer even as I” (Doctrine and Covenants | Section 19:17).

vi These are the “forms and structures” of organized religion. “The telestial world; For these are they who are of Paul, and of Apollos, and of Cephas. These are they who say they are some of one and some of another—some of Christ and some of John, and some of Moses, and some of Elias, and some of Esaias, and some of Isaiah, and some of Enoch” (Doctrine and Covenants | Section 76:98 - 100).

vii “Moses plainly taught to the children of Israel in the wilderness, and sought diligently to sanctify his people that they might behold the face of God;

24 But they hardened their hearts and could not endure his presence; therefore, the Lord in his wrath, for his anger was kindled against them, swore that they should not enter into his rest while in the wilderness, which rest is the fulness of his glory.

25 Therefore, he took Moses out of their midst, and the Holy Priesthood also;

26 And the lesser priesthood continued, which priesthood holdeth the key of the ministering of angels and the preparatory gospel;

27 Which gospel is the gospel of repentance and of baptism, and the remission of sins, and the law of carnal commandments, which the Lord in his wrath caused to continue with the house of Aaron among the children of Israel until John, whom God raised up, being filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb.”

(Doctrine and Covenants | Section 84:23 - 27)

viii [2 Nephi 28:19-21]

ix “And surely every man must repent or suffer, for I, God”

(Doctrine and Covenants | Section 19:4).

“Wherefore, I command you to repent, and keep the commandments which you have received by the hand of my servant Joseph Smith, Jun., in my name; And it is by my almighty power that you have received them; Therefore I command you to repent—repent, lest I smite you by the rod of my mouth, and by my wrath, and by my anger, and your sufferings be sore—how sore you know not, how exquisite you know not, yea, how hard to bear you know not. For behold, I, God, have suffered these things for all, that they might not suffer if they would repent; But if they would not repent they must suffer even as I; Which suffering caused myself, even God, the greatest of all, to tremble because of pain, and to bleed at every pore, and to suffer both body and spirit—and would that I might not drink the bitter cup, and shrink” (Doctrine and Covenants | Section 19:13 - 18).

x What are the “Effects of Faith?” [Lecture on Faith 7] It is the only faith that comes from within you. <https://lecturesonfaith.com/7/>

xi Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

(New Testament | John 4:22 - 23)

xii <https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/scriptures/bd/holiness?lang=eng>

Holiness is the only way we can sanctify ourselves!

“According to the Old Testament, things or places were holy that were set apart for a sacred purpose; the opposite of holy is therefore common or profane ([1 Sam. 21:5](#); [Ezek. 22:26](#); [42:20](#); [44:23](#); [48:13–15](#)). Similarly, a holy person meant one who held a sacred office. The Israelites were a holy people because they stood in a special relationship to Jehovah. Under the guidance of the Prophets, it was seen that what distinguished Jehovah from the gods of the heathen was His personal character. The word *holy* therefore came to refer to moral character ([Lev. 11:44](#); [19:2](#); [21:8](#); [Isa. 6:3–8](#)). Israel must be holy in character because the God of Israel was holy ([Jer. 7:4–7](#); see also [Matt. 5:48](#)). **The Law of Holiness ([Lev. 17–26](#)) shows how the attempt was made by means of ceremonial observances to secure this holiness of character. *The attempt failed* [it will always fail] because the later Jews observed the letter and neglected the spirit; they attached more importance to the ceremonial than to the moral, and the result was a lapse into formalism. *But in the writings of the Prophets, it is clearly laid down that the value of worship in the eyes of God depends upon the personal character of the worshipper.*”**

xiii How to Become One / Be One

- 1 THESE words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:
- 2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.
- 3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.
- 4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.
- 5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.
- 6 I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.
- 7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.
- 8 For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.
- 9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.
- 10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.

11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we *are*.

12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That they all may **be one**; as thou, Father, *art* in me, and I in thee, that they also may **be one** in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may **be one**, even as we are one:

23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: **that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.**

(New Testament | John 17:1 - 26)

^{xiv} And it shall come to pass, that if you are faithful you shall receive the fulness of the record of John.

19 I give unto you these sayings **that you may understand** and know **how to worship, and know what you worship**, that you may come unto the Father in my name, and in due time receive of his fulness.

(Doctrine and Covenants | Section 93:18 - 19)

^{xv} There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.

16 Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither.

17 The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband:

18 For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly.

19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet.

20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.

21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh when ye shall neither in this mountain nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

22 **Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship:** for salvation is of the Jews.

23 But **the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.**

24 God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth. [**“For unto such hath God promised his Spirit. And they who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth”** JST]

25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.

26 Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am *he*.

(New Testament | John 4:7 - 26)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=130NXI_xigA

^{xvi} “Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him” (New Testament | Acts 10:34 - 35).

^{xvii} the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. (New Testament | Galatians 5:22 - 26)

Let no man deceive you [with lies, as did those who got caught up in polygamy, believing in D&C 132 which is a false doctrine verified by our own history and revelations from Joseph Smith (D&C 42 & 49)] **with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.**

7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now *are ye* light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

9 (For the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

10 Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.

11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove *them*. (New Testament | Ephesians 5:6 - 11)

^{xviii} ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I *am* holy (Old Testament | Leviticus 11:44)

For I *am* the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I *am* holy. (Old Testament | Leviticus 11:45)

AND the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the LORD your God *am* holy.

(Old Testament | Leviticus 19:1 - 2)

^{xix} “And now, verily I say unto you, I was in the beginning with the Father, and am the Firstborn; And all those who are begotten through me are partakers of the glory of the same, and are the church of the Firstborn” (D&C 93:21 - 22).

“To have the privilege of receiving the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, to have the heavens opened unto them, to commune with the general assembly and church of the Firstborn, and to enjoy the communion and presence of God the Father, and Jesus the mediator of the new covenant.” (D&C 107:19)

^{xx} “And he said unto me: Behold there are save two churches only; the one is the **church of the Lamb of God**, and the other is the church of the devil; wherefore, whoso belongeth not to the church of the Lamb of God belongeth to that great church, which is the mother of abominations; and she is the whore of all the earth. And it came to pass that I looked and beheld the whore of all the earth, and she sat upon many waters; and she had dominion over all the earth, among all nations, kindreds, tongues, and people. And it came to pass that I beheld the **church of the Lamb of God**, and its numbers were few, because of the wickedness and abominations of the whore who sat upon many waters; nevertheless, I beheld that the **church of the Lamb**, who were the saints of God, were also upon all the face of the earth; and their dominions upon the face of the earth were small, because of the wickedness of the great whore whom I saw. And it came to pass that I beheld that the great mother of abominations did gather together multitudes upon the face of all the earth, among all the nations of the Gentiles, to fight against the Lamb of God. And it came to pass that I, Nephi, beheld the power of the Lamb of God, that it descended upon the saints of the **church of the Lamb**, and upon the covenant people of the Lord, who were scattered upon all the face of the earth; and **they were armed with righteousness and with the power of God** in great glory” (Book of Mormon | 1 Nephi 14:10 - 14).

^{xxi} “Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and *that* the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are” (New Testament | 1 Corinthians 3:16 - 17).

“For ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in *them*; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And I will

be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty” (2 Corinthians 6:16 – 18).

^{xxii} The Words of Joseph Smith, pgs. 343-348 [King Follet Sermon]. See April 1971, 12-17

<https://www.churchofjesuschrist.org/study/ensign/1971/04/the-king-follett-sermon?lang=eng>

Ensign for half of the Sermon and the other half is in May 1971

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“We say that God Himself is a self-existing being. Who told you so? It is correct enough; but how did it get into your heads? Who told you that man did not exist in like manner upon the same principles? Man does exist upon the same principles. ... There never was a time when there were not spirits; for they are co-equal [co-eternal] with our Father in heaven. ... God never had the power to create the spirit of man at all. God himself could not create himself.”