

According to the King James Version (KJV) and the scriptures of the Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church, the "Three that bear record in heaven" are **the Father, the Word (the Son), and the Holy Ghost**.

However, your question highlights a beautiful, sophisticated dynamic: **the Earth is explicitly designated as the Son's Kingdom** (Colossians 1:13-16, Hebrews 1:8). The absolute ruler of the Earth is Jesus Christ, yet the Three in Heaven operate with perfect synchronicity to govern, maintain, and redeem it.

1. The Father

- **The Title:** The Source, The Sovereign, The Architect, The Heart (in Ethiopian theology).
- **His Authority over the Earth:** The Father possesses **supreme, foundational authority**. The Earth is His by right of ultimate ownership (*"The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof"* - Psalm 24:1 KJV). He is the legal cosmic judge who sits on the heavenly throne.
- **His Duties to the Son's Kingdom:**
 - **Delegation & Legal Deed:** The Father legally willed and transferred the direct management of the Earth to the Son. In Matthew 28:18, Jesus says, *"All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."* The Father is the one who *gave* it to Him.
 - **The Footstool Decree:** In Psalm 110:1 (KJV), the Father promises the Son: *"Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool."* The Father's current duty is executing cosmic wrath and shifting history so that every earthly rebellion is crushed under the Son's feet.

2. The Word (The Son / Jesus Christ)

- **The Title:** The Word (*Logos / Qa'al*), The King of Kings, The Heir of All Things, The Voice (in Ethiopian theology).
- **His Authority over the Earth:** He holds **direct, administrative, and physical dominion**. The Earth is legally His kingdom because He bought it with His own blood. He rules it with a rod of iron (Revelation 19:15).
- **His Duties to His Kingdom:**
 - **Intercession:** From heaven, He acts as the High Priest for the inhabitants of Earth, legally defending humanity against Satan (the Accuser) before the Father's throne (Hebrews 7:25).
 - **Sustaining Matter:** Colossians 1:17 (KJV) states that by the Son, *"all things consist"* (are held together). He literally stabilizes the atomic and spiritual framework of the Earth so it does not collapse into void space.
 - **The Tewahedo Reality (Ethiopian View):** Ethiopian scripture strongly dictates that Christ's duty to the Earth was becoming a physical human (*Tewahedo*—fusing divine and human). Because He possesses a physical resurrection body, His duty is to connect the material dirt of the Earth directly back to the ethereal spiritual realm of the Father.

3. The Holy Ghost (The Holy Spirit)

- **The Title:** The Comforter, The Spirit of Truth, The Life/Breath (*Nefes* in Ge'ez).
- **His Authority over the Earth:** The Holy Spirit has **active, immediate, executioner**

authority. While the Father is on the Throne and the Son is at His right hand, the Holy Spirit is the *only* Member of the Trinity currently deployed full-time on the ground on Earth.

- **His Duties to the Son's Kingdom:**

- **Enforcing the Son's Decrees:** The Spirit does not speak of Himself; He takes what belongs to the Son and manifests it on Earth (John 16:14). If Christ speaks healing or deliverance from heaven, the Holy Spirit is the active electricity on Earth that alters the physical atoms to make it happen.
- **Restraining Planetary Chaos:** He acts as a spiritual barrier, actively holding back the full physical manifestation of absolute demonic chaos and evil until the timeline of the Sixth Day expires (2 Thessalonians 2:7).
- **The Sacramental Consecration (Ethiopian View):** In the Ethiopian Orthodox *Haimanote Abew* (Faith of the Fathers), the Holy Spirit's primary duty on earth is the *Epiclesis*. He physically descends into the water of baptism and the bread/wine of the Eucharist to manifest the Son's presence directly into the physical sensory world of the believers.

The Divine Chain of Command

To visualize how the Kingdom in Heaven interacts with the Kingdom on Earth, think of a corporate or military chain of command where all members are completely equal in status, but completely distinct in role:

The Heavenly Witness	Sovereign Role	Relationship to the Earth (Son's Kingdom)
The Father	The Mind / Heart	Wills the decrees and authorizes the legal boundaries of Earth.
The Word (Son)	The Expression / Voice	Speaks the decrees, owns the territory, and rules as King.
The Holy Ghost	The Action / Breath	Physically executes the commands on the ground in the material world.

They are **Three in Person** but completely **One in Authority**. The Father and the Spirit do not compete with the Son's kingdom; they spend the current era validating, protecting, and empowering it until the transition into eternity.