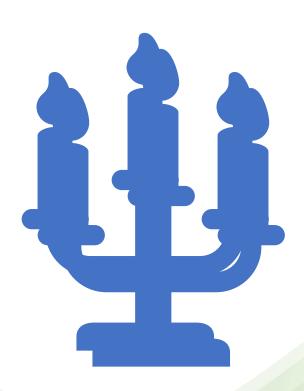


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### What is God's Unity or Oneness?

God has total unity and is one God in three persons. We Christians believe that there is one God in three persons. There is not three Gods or three parts of God, but three persons in the Godhead perfectly united in purity, power, purpose, and perfection. They are the exactly same in nature, attributes and character.



#### The Shema (Hear)

The Shema in Hebrew - Deuteronomy 6v4

Shema yisrael Adonai eloheinu Adonai **echad.** 

Hear Israel the Lord your God is one Lord.

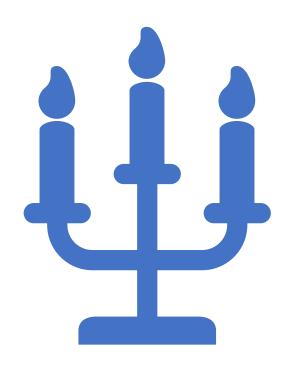


### The meaning of One in the Shema

What does echad- one- means

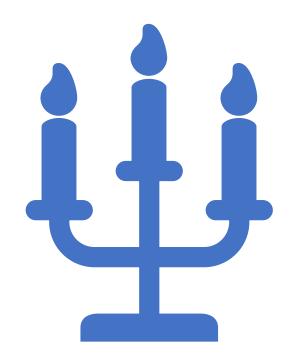
Echad is the Hebrew word for **one**, but more precisely it means a single entity but made up of **more than one part.** 

There is another Hebrew word from the same root – Yachid which means single. The meaning of Echad (more than one part) is a confirmation of the Hebrew word Elohim which is translated as God. Elohim is a plural word – more than one being called God



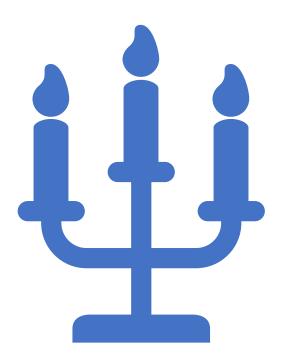
### The Shema (Hear) Understanding

• The key for both Jews and Christians to learn the correct concept of our God is the word **echad.** Echad is the Hebrew word for **one**, but more precisely it means a single entity but made up of **more than one part.** 



#### **The Nicene Creed**

- I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
- I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.



### The Athanasian Creed

 That we worship one God in trinity and the trinity in unity, neither blending their persons nor dividing their essence.
 For the person of the Father is a distinct person, the person of the Son is another,

and that of the Holy Spirit still another.
But the divinity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, their glory equal, their majesty coeternal.

What quality the Father has, the Son has, and the Holy Spirit has.

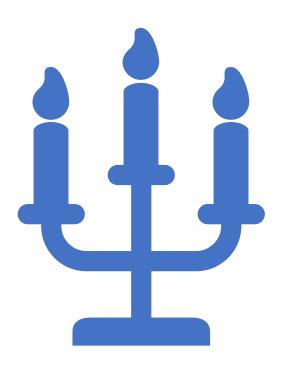
The Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated, the Holy Spirit is uncreated.

The Top 13 Christian Creeds: Origins, Contents, & Importance (justdisciple.com)



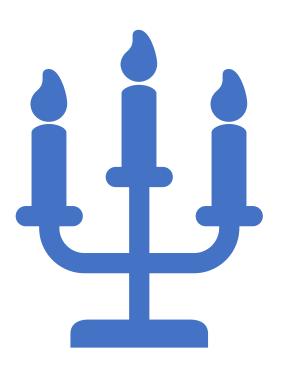
### The Westminster Confession

 There is but one only living and true God, who is infinite in being and perfection, a most pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts, or passions, immutable, immense, eternal, incomprehensible, almighty, most wise, most holy, most free, most absolute, working all things according to the counsel of His own immutable and most righteous will, for His own glory, most loving, gracious, merciful, long-suffering, abundant in goodness and truth, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin; the rewarder of them that diligently seek Him; and withal most just and terrible in His judgments; hating all sin; and who will by no means clear the quilty.



## The Westminster Confession (continued)

In the unity of the Godhead there be three Persons of one substance, power, and eternity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. The Father is of none, neither begotten nor proceeding; the Son is eternally begotten of the Father; the Holy Ghost eternally proceeding from the Father and the Son.



#### The Shema

#### Deuteronomy 6

- 4 "Hear, O Israel: [b] The LORD our God, the LORD is one! 5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.
- 6 "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

The eternal unity of God in three persons in the old testament

#### Isaiah 48

- V16 "Come near to Me, hear this:

   I have not spoken in secret from the beginning;
   From the time that it was, I was there.
   And now the Lord God and His Spirit

   Lel Have sent Me."
- (Father, Son and Holy Spirit)

### God creates in unity

Genesis 1- Elohim- a singular plural name for God. <sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over [g] all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." <sup>27</sup> So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God, He created him; male and female He created them. <sup>28</sup> Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that [h] moves on the earth."

## God is holy in His unity

- 1 Samuel 2:2
- "No **one** is holy like the LORD, For *there* is none besides You, Nor is there any rock like our **God**.

## God reigns in His Heaven in unity

- 2 Kings 19:15
- Then Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said: "O LORD **God** of Israel, the **One** who dwells between the cherubim, You are **God**, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.
- 2 Chronicles 20:6
- and said: "O LORD God of our fathers, are You not God in heaven, and do You not rule over all the kingdoms of the nations, and in Your hand is there not power and might, so that no one is able to withstand You?

## God is mighty in His unity

- Psalm 50:1
- The Mighty **One**, **God** the LORD, Has spoken and called the earth From the rising of the sun to its going down.

## God is the holy one of Israel

#### Psalm 71:22

Also, with the lute I will praise You—
 And Your faithfulness, O my God! To You I will sing with the harp, O Holy One of Israel.

# God the One who sees His Children and saves them

- <u>Isaiah 29:23</u>
- But when he sees his children, The work of My hands, in his midst, They will hallow My name, And hallow the Holy One of Jacob, And fear the God of Israel.
- Isaiah 30:15
- For thus says the Lord **GoD**, the Holy **One** of Israel: "In returning and rest you shall be saved; In quietness and confidence shall be your strength." But you would not,

## Our unified GOD dwells in Heaven

- <u>Isaiah 37:16</u>
- "O LORD of hosts, **God** of Israel, the **One** who dwells between the cherubim, You are **God**, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.

### Our God is the rock

- Isaiah 44:8
- Do not fear, nor be afraid; Have I not told you from that time, and declared it? You are My witnesses. Is there a God besides Me? Indeed, there is no other Rock; I know not one.' "

God acts for those who wait for Him.

- Isaiah 64:4
- For since the beginning of the world *Men* have not heard nor perceived by the ear, Nor has the eye seen any **God** besides You, Who acts for the **one** who waits for Him.

## Our unified God is merciful

#### Jonah 4:2

• So, he prayed to the LORD, and said, "Ah, LORD, was not this what I said when I was still in my country? Therefore, I fled previously to Tarshish; for I know that You are a gracious and merciful **God**, slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness, **One** who relents from doing harm.

He will save you and rejoice over you.

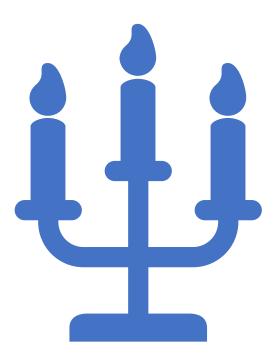
- Zephaniah 3:17
- The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing."

### Our One God is our Father

- Malachi 2:1
- Have we not all one Father? Has
  not one God created us? Why do we deal
  treacherously with one another By profaning
  the covenant of the fathers?

### Then unity of God in the New testament

John 17 talks about the oneness of God and his prayer to make one with Him.



#### Only the One God is good- He is Jesus

- Matthew 19:17
- So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments."
- Mark 10:18
- So, Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God.

## Jesus teaches the oneness of God

#### **Mark 12**

<sup>29</sup> Jesus answered him, "The [k] first of all the commandments 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, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' [1] This is the first commandment. <sup>31</sup> And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

## Jesus is the Holy One.

- Luke 1:35
- And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.
- Luke 4:34
- saying, "Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!"

## God the Father and Son are One.

- John 1:18
- No **one** has seen **God** at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared *Him*.

## The Farther and Jesus are One.

- Psalm 6:2
- Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am weak;
   O LORD, heal me, for my bones are troubled.
- John 17:11
- Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are.

## We are to be one as He is one

- John 17:21
- that they all may be one, as You,
   Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.
- John 17:22
- And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one:

## We live in the unity of God

- 1 Corinthians 8:6
- 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.

### Gathered into one in Christ

- Ephesians 1:10
- that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

Jesus the Son our One mediator to the Godhead.

 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus,

You must believe there is one God but then put your faith in Jesus Christ.

- James 2:19
- You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

## God is unified in His Love.

- <u>1 John 4:12</u> Seeing **God** Through Love
- No one has seen God at any time. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

Thank you, God Bless you and Good Night