



# Jews For Yeshua Ministry

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*"To the Torah and the Testimony, if anybody does not speak according to these words, it is because they have no light in them"*

**Isaiah 8:20; Revelation 12:17; 14:12**



## Is Yeshua God?

### On the Question of Deity and Yeshua's Role Relative to the Father

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Translation Key: The Father's name יהוה often translated as "LORD", is properly pronounced "Yehovah".

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Is Yeshua "God" or "Elohim"? Is there a difference? Does this make Him the Father, or a separate individual from the Father? This, and much more, is to be answered in this in depth, concise study of, "Is Yeshua God?".

To begin, there are generally 3 different positions that come into play when the question is asked, "Do you believe that Yeshua is "God".

By this people are often really asking,

1- Do you believe that Yeshua is the Father, and that the Father is Yeshua?

Or, they are asking,

2- Do you believe that יהוה is the Father, and Yeshua is the Son, and both are the same God, but separate expressions of that same God along with the Holy Spirit as a third expression of that same God? (the original Trinitarian position)

Or, they are asking,

3- Do you believe that יהוה is the Father, and Yeshua is the Son, and only יהוה is God, but Yeshua is merely a good man?

I would say that all 3 questions miss the point, as well as the nuances of the Hebrew.

Let's begin with the most abundantly supplied description of Yeshua in Scripture; and from there we will progress to the next most abundantly supplied descriptions, and then conclude with the least supplied descriptions of Him in Scripture.

The most abundantly supplied description in the English translations is that Yeshua is the Son of "God".

#### What the Wicked One was Seeking to Confirm

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 4:3** Now when the Tempter came to Yeshua, he said, "If You are the Son of

God, command that these stones become bread."

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 4:6** and said to Yeshua, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.' "

**Luke 4:3** And the Wicked One said to Yeshua, "If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."

**Luke 4:9** Then the Wicked One brought Him to Jerusalem, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here."

### **Who Demons Identified Yeshua as**

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 8:29** And suddenly the demons cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Yeshua, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?"

**Mark 3:11** And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Yeshua, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, "You are the Son of God."

**Luke 4:41** And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, "You are the Messiah, the Son of God!" And Yeshua, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Messiah.

**Mark 5:7** And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Yeshua, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me."

**Luke 8:28** When he saw Yeshua, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Yeshua, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!"

### **Who the Common People said He was**

**Yehochanan (John) 1:49** Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

**Yehochanan (John) 11:27** She said to Him, "Yes, Master, I believe that You are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

### **Who the High Priest and Sanhedrin Demanded Yeshua Clarify**

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 26:63** But Yeshua kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God - Tell us if You are the Messiah, the Son of God!"

**Luke 22:70** Then they all said, "Are You then the Son of God?" So Yeshua said to them, "You rightly say that I am."

### **Who People Harangued Yeshua for Claiming to be**

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 27:40** and saying, "You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 27:43** "He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if God will have Him; for He said, 'I am the Son of God.' "

### **Who the Gentiles Declared Yeshua was**

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 27:54** So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Yeshua,

saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

**Mark 15:39** So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, "Truly this Man was the Son of God!"

**Ma'aseh (Acts) 8:37** Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And the eunuch answered and said, "I believe that Yeshua the Messiah is the Son of God."

### **Who the Talmidim (Disciples) and Prophets said Yeshua was**

**Mishlei (Proverbs) 30:4** Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, if you know?

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 14:33** Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

**Mark 1:1** The beginning of the gospel of Yeshua the Messiah, the Son of God.

**Luke 3:38** the son of Enosh, the son of Seth, the son of Adam, the Son of God.

**Yehochanan (John) 1:34** "And I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God."

**Yehochanan (John) 20:31** but these are written that you may believe that Yeshua is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

**Ma'aseh (Acts) 9:20** Immediately he preached the Messiah in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God.

**Romans 1:2** which God promised before through His prophets in the Holy Scriptures,

**Romans 1:3** concerning His Son Yeshua the Messiah our Master, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh.

**Romans 1:4** and declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

**2 Corinthians 1:19** For the Son of God, Yeshua the Messiah, who was preached among you by us - by me, Silvanus, and Timothy, was not Yes and No, but in Him was Yes.

**Galatians 2:20** "I have been crucified with Messiah; it is no longer I who live, but Messiah who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

**Ephesians 4:13** till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Messiah;

**Evreem (Hebrews) 4:14** Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Yeshua the Son of God, let us hold firmly to our confession.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 1:3** that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship [is] with the Father and with His Son, Yeshua the Messiah.

**2 Yehochanan (2 John) 1:3** Grace, mercy, [and] peace will be with you from God the Father and from the Master Yeshua the Messiah, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.

### **Who God Created the Heavens and the Earth Through**

**Evreem (Hebrews) 1:1,2;**

**1:1** God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets,

**1:2** has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;

### **Who Angels said Yeshua was**

**Luke 1:35** And the Angel answered and said to her, "The Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

**Revelation 2:18** "And to the Angel of the called out assembly in Thyatira write, 'These things says the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass:

### **Who Yeshua said He was**

**Luke 22:70** Then they all said, "Are You then the Son of God?" So He said to them, "You rightly say that I am."

**Yehochanan (John) 10:36** "do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'?"

**Yehochanan (John) 9:35-37,**

**9:35** Yeshua heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, Yeshua said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?"

**9:36** He answered and said, "Who is He, Master, that I may believe in Him?"

**9:37** And Yeshua said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is speaking with you."

**Yehochanan (John) 19:7** The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God."

### **What His Talmidim (Disciples) said One Must Believe to be Saved and not be Condemned**

**Yehochanan (John) 3:18** He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

**Yehochanan (John) 20:31** but these are written that you may believe that Yeshua is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

**Ma'aseh (Acts) 8:37** Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Yeshua the Messiah is the Son of God."

**Evreem (Hebrews) 6:6** if they fall away, to renew them again to repentance, since they crucify again for themselves the Son of God, and put Him to an open shame.

**Evreem (Hebrews) 10:29** Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counting the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and insulted the Spirit of grace?

**I Yehochanan (I John) 3:8** He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was revealed, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 4:15** Whoever confesses that Yeshua is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 5:5** Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Yeshua is the Son of God?

**I Yehochanan (I John) 5:10** He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 5:12,13**

**5:12** He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

**5:13** These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

### What God said Concerning His Son

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 17:5** While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom My Soul is well pleased. Hear Him!"

**Mark 9:7** And a cloud came and overshadowed them; and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!"

**Luke 9:35** And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son. Hear Him!"

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 2:15** and was there until the death of Herod, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by יהוה through the prophet, saying, "Out of Egypt I called My Son."

**Ma'aseh (Acts) 13:33** "God has fulfilled this for us His children, in that He has raised up Yeshua. As it is also written in the Psalm, 'You are My Son, Today I have begotten You.'"

**Evreem (Hebrews) 1:5** For to which of the angels did He ever say: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You"? And again: "I will be to Him a Father, And He shall be to Me a Son"?

**Evreem (Hebrews) 5:5** So also Messiah did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was יהוה who said to Him: "You are My Son, Today I have begotten You."

### God made Yeshua His Son a Little Lower than the Angels

**Mizmor (Psalm) 8:5** For You have made him a little lower than the Angels, And You have crowned him with glory and honor.

## Miscellaneous Verses About the Son of God

**Yehochanan (John) 5:25** "Most truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live.

**Yehochanan (John) 11:4** When Yeshua heard that, He said, "This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

**Evreem (Hebrews) 7:3** [The office of Melchizedek] without father, without mother, without genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but made like the Son of God, remains a priest forever.

From these verses one thing is very striking, and that is that 100% of them identify Yeshua as the Son of God. This makes one thing certain, and raises two other questions.

The one thing that is certain is that one must believe that Yeshua is the "Son of God" to be saved. But God is an English word. If this had been written in Hebrew they would have said that Yeshua is "the Son of Elohim". Would this change anything? Does this change anything?

The first question that is raised is that "if Yeshua is also God in addition to being the "Son of God", is this required to be believed also in order to be saved? Or is the mandate for salvation to believe simply that He is the Son of God?"

These passages give no indication that if He is also God, that believing this about Him is necessary for salvation in addition to believing that He is God's Son.

However, if He is also God as well, then what does that mean? Does that mean that He is also the Father, or does it mean something else? Do the words God and Elohim mean the same thing?

The Scriptures also declare in the Hebrew manuscripts that humans are elohim; **Mizmor (Psalm) 82:6**, that angels are elohim; **Mizmor (Psalm) 8:5**, and that judges are elohim; **Shemot (Exodus) 22:8,9**. So if the Hebrew word "elohim" has been correctly translated into English as "God", and there is only one God, then we have a problem. Especially since the Wicked One in the Brit Chadasha (New Testament) is also called god; **2 Corinthians 4:4**. So what is the solution?

To resolve these matters we must look elsewhere for clues concerning these other questions.

So the next question we can ask is, "Is Yeshua the Father, or is He a separate individual with a separate will?"

These are the verses that help to answer this question. Beginning with the ones that are emphasized the second most in Scripture; that is, of the Father and Son expressed as distinct individuals.

These are the verses that identify clearly two distinct entities with two distinct wills, but who, together, work in unity, that is, who are "echad.

## Yeshua Refers to the Father as His God

**Yehochanan (John) 20:17** Yeshua said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, *'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'* "

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 27:46** And about the ninth hour Yeshua cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, *"My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"*

**Mark 15:34** And at the ninth hour Yeshua cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?" which is translated, "**My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?**"

### **The Emissary Shaul (the Apostle Paul) also Presents God as Yeshua's Father and God**

**2 Corinthians 1:3** ***Blessed be the God and Father of our Master Yeshua the Messiah***, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort.

**Galatians 1:1** Paul, an Emissary (not from men nor through man, ***but through Yeshua the Messiah, and God the Father who raised Him from the dead***).

**Ephesians 1:3** ***Blessed be the God and Father of our Master Yeshua the Messiah***, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Messiah.

**Colossians 1:3** We give thanks ***to the God and Father*** of our Master Yeshua the Messiah, praying always for you.

### **The Emissary Kepha (Apostle Peter) also Presents God as Yeshua's Father and God**

**I Kepha (I Peter) 1:3** ***Blessed be the God and Father*** of our Master Yeshua the Messiah, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Yeshua the Messiah from the dead.

### **King David also calls the Father, Yeshua's God**

**Mizmor (Psalm) 45:7** You love righteousness and hate wickedness; ***Therefore God, Your God***, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

### **Yeshua Himself Declares that No One has Seen God at Any Time**

**Yehochanan (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.

**Yehochanan (John) 5:37** "And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, ***nor seen His form***."

### **Decades After the Resurrection We are Still Told that No One has Ever Seen "God" at Anytime**

**I Yehochanan (I John) 4:12** ***No one has seen God at anytime***. If we love one another, God remains in us, and His love has been perfected in us.

So if Yeshua was God, then we would have seen God when we saw Yeshua. However, the above verses make it clear that after the resurrection, there was still nobody who had ever seen God.

### **Yeshua has a Separate Will**

**Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 26:42** Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, ***Your will be done***."

**Luke 22:42** saying, "Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless ***not My will, but Your will be done***."

### **Yeshua does not Speak by His Own Authority**

**Yehochanan (John) 14:10** "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The

words that I speak to you ***I do not speak on My own authority***, but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.

### **Yeshua does the Father's Commandments**

**Yehochanan (John) 15:10** "If you keep My commandments, you will remain in My love, just as I have ***kept My Father's commandments*** and remain in His love.

### **Yeshua is Restoring All Things to the Father**

**I Corinthians 15:22-28,**

**15:22** For as in Adam all die, even so in the Messiah shall all be made alive.

**15:23** But each one in his own order: Messiah the First Fruits, afterward those who are the Messiah's at His coming.

**15:24** Then comes the end, ***when Yeshua delivers the kingdom to God the Father***, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

**15:25** For Yeshua must reign until He has put all enemies under His feet.

**15:26** The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

**15:27** For "יהוה" has put all things under Yeshua's feet." But when יהוה says "all things are put under Yeshua," it is evident that יהוה who put all things under Yeshua is excepted.

**15:28** Now when all things are made subject to יהוה, then the Son Himself will also be subject to יהוה who put all things under Him, so that יהוה may be all in all.

### **Two יהוה's in Scripture or One?**

**B'resheet (Genesis) 1:26** "Then God said, '**Let Us** make man in **our** image, according to **our likeness...**'"

**Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 44:6** "Thus says the יהוה, ***the King of Israel***, **and** His Redeemer, יהוה ***Tz'vaot***. 'I am the First, and I am the Last; Besides Me there is no God.

Two Yehovah's referred to in the singular as "Me" and as no other God beside this dual singularity?

### **Is There a Trinity?**

**Yesh'yahu (Isaiah) 48:16** "Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; From the time that it was, (1)- ***I was there***. And now (2)- ***Adonai - יהוה***, **and** ***His*** (3)- ***Spirit***, **have sent (1)- Me**."

**Luke 1:35** And the heavenly Messenger (the Angel) answered and said to Miriam "(1)- ***The Ruach haKadosh (the Holy Spirit)*** shall **come upon you**, and the power of (2)- ***the Most High*** will **overshadow you**, therefore also, that set-apart One **[within you]** who is to be born will be called (3)- ***the Son of God***.

- 1- The Holy Spirit – upon her
- 2- The Most High God – overshadowing her
- 3- The Son of God – within her

**Yehochanan (John) 14:16,17** “...(1)- *I will* pray to (2)- the Father, and **He will** give you **another** (3)- **Helper**, so that He may remain with you forever...Even the Ruach (the Spirit) of Truth...”

- 1- “I” (that is, Yeshua)
- 2- The Father
- 3- The Spirit

If there is a trinity, are all 3 the same person? Clearly not. For concerning Miriam (Mary) the Ruach haKadosh (Holy Spirit) comes “upon” her, while the Most High “overshadows” her, resulting in the Son of God “inside” her. And concerning the second verse, The verse states that when Yeshua “leaves” the earth, that the Father who is “in” heaven, will send the Ruach haKadosh (the Holy Spirit) down to “earth” in Yeshua’s place.

Are all 3 then God? That would mean there are 3 Gods, not just One. Clearly this also is not correct.

All of the Scriptures above state that the Father is “God”, and that Yeshua is His Son, and that they have separate wills, are in separate locations, have separate roles, and that though many have seen Yeshua, no one has seen God, and that the Son was able to be forsaken by God at the cross for some unspecified duration of time.

But the Hebrew word is not God, but Elohim. Is there a difference? If so, what is it, and does it resolve our questions?

### **A Scripture Where Both Yeshua and the Father are Called God**

**Mizmor (Psalm) 78:35** Then they remembered that **God (Elohim) was their rock**, And the **Most High God (Most High Elohim) their Redeemer**.

Here Yeshua our Rock is called in the English “God”, and the Father who is our Redeemer is called the “Most High God”. But in English among believers, there is only one God, one Deity. However, the Hebrew word here is Elohim, and in Scripture, as shown earlier, there are clearly many elohim.

But first, what is an elohim? Elohim is the Hebrew word for anyone of high authority. Anyone ranging from human judges; **Shemot (Exodus) 22:8,9** (translated from the Hebrew word “elohim”), to angels; **Mizmor (Psalm) 8:5** (also translated from the Hebrew word “elohim”), up to our Heavenly Father (the Most High Elohim; **Mizmor (Psalm) 136:2**) and everywhere in between. That is, all of these are high authorities in heaven and earth; but the Father – as God, is the Most High Elohim – the Most High Authority above all other authority.

Remember earlier in **Yesh’yahu (Isaiah) 44:6** where one יהוה is called the King of Israel (that is, the Father) and a second יהוה is called His Redeemer? (That is, יהוה Tz’vaot, the One who would carry out God’s plan of redemption for man)? It is like when someone names themselves – Theodore Hexal I (the 1<sup>st</sup>) and names his son Theodore Hexal II (the 2<sup>nd</sup>). Or in more contemporary terms Theodore Sr. and Theodore Jr.

Then combine this with the other Scriptures that declare “no one has seen the Father; **Yehochanan (John) 1:18; 5:37**. Not even after the resurrection; **I Yehochanan (I John) 4:12**. So when we see Joshua meet יהוה Tz’vaot (יהוה of Heaven’s Armies) in person; **Yehoshua (Joshua) 5:13-15**,

then who Joshua saw can only be who we know today as Yeshua – for Joshua “saw” **צְבָאוֹת** Tz’vaot (**צְבָאוֹת** of Heaven’s Armies), but nobody has ever seen the **אֱלֹהִים** the Father.

Also, concerning Avraham. Avraham “saw” **אֱלֹהִים**; **B’resheet (Genesis) 18:22,33**, and Yeshua affirms that it was He Himself who Avraham had seen; **Yehochanan (John) 8:56**.

### The Verse that Changed One Jewish “rabbi’s” Life.

-Concerning **Yesh’yahu (Isaiah) 9:6**, the verse that caused one orthodox Jew, rabbi Isidor Zwirn, to become a believer in Yeshua. Isidor, in order to be accepted into the Yeshivah Rabbenu Yaacov Yoseph in New York city had to begin learning how to read the Hebrew prayers of the Siddur by age 3 and comprehend them by age 6. Then upon being accepted into the Yeshiva, the Torah became his text book that they studied daily every school day.

Every verse of Torah was required to be studied and discussed among classmates, and the meaning of each individual letter of each Hebrew word also had to be understood, and sometimes the meaning of a whole passage would hinge on the meaning of one single letter of one single word in the passage. He was completely and utterly fluent in Hebrew. He was also trained in the 3 rules of haMidrash of “*respect for others views*”, of “*the thorough investigation of everybody else’s views in addition to your own*”, and of “*if two opposing views cannot be resolved, then they must temporarily be set aside, until another view is provided that resolves the conflict and/or harmonizes the two positions*”.

This man ultimately became a chief “rabbi”, and the head of the Zionists studies program (His Zionist studies are what led Him to Yeshua), at an Orthodox synagogue in Burbank California where he was forcefully removed from behind the bema by police after he declared His belief in Yeshua as the long awaited Messiah of Israel.

This is Isidor’s literal translation of **Yesh’yahu (Isaiah) 9:6**, the translation of which caused Him to believe that Yeshua had to be the Messiah. This is what he wrote concerning the words “Pele yoez el gibbor avi ad sar shalom”, he says, I read those last 8 Hebrew words, letter by letter, then translated them into English. “And they shall call his name ‘a wonderful Counselor to the Almighty God and Everlasting Father’, (also) Prince of Peace.” Then he says, “This could be no other than the Messiah! Because certainly no finite being could counsel the Almighty God”.

So, Isidor, with his expertise in Hebrew and very in depth methodological study habits when studying **Yesh’yahu (Isaiah) 9:6** concluded from a purely unbiased linguistical perspective that Yeshua was a counselor to the Father – a counselor to the Almighty God, and therefore “the Messiah” who was to come. In other words, was God’s “right hand man”, and is the verse that forever changed his life. This is on page 56 of his book “A rabbi’s Search for Messiah”.

Again, if Yeshua is God, and the Father is God, we have a problem, for there is only one God concerning the English word “God” for Bible believers. But if Yeshua and God our Father are both Elohim, that is, if both are high authorities, with God our Father being the Most High Authority, then it makes sense that Yeshua could act as Counselor to His Father, as His “right hand man” – as second in command.

Just like **I Corinthians 15:24-28** states,

**15:24** Then comes the end, **when Yeshua delivers the kingdom to God the Father**, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

**15:25** For Yeshua must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.

**15:26** The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

**15:27** For "יהוה" has put all things under Yeshua's feet." But when יהוה says "all things are put under Yeshua," it is evident that יהוה who put all things under Yeshua is excepted.

**15:28** Now *when all things are made subject to יהוה, then the Son Himself will also be subject to יהוה* who put all things under Him, so that יהוה may be all in all.

### **Now to the Other Scriptures that in English Say or Imply that Yeshua is "God"**

**Evreem (Hebrews) 1:8** But to the Son He says: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

**Mizmor (Psalm) 45:6** Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

That is, Yeshua's throne – as *the High Authority* appointed by the Father to rule over the earth, shall be forever and ever.

### **Thomas Calls Yeshua God**

**Yehochanan (John) 20:28** "And Thomas answered Yeshua saying, My Master and my God".

With the English word "God" it sounds like Thomas is referring to Yeshua as "the Father". But in the Hebrew to which the Greek corresponds, Thomas is simply acknowledging Yeshua as his High Authority – that is, as "his" King, and as "the" King, whose throne and dominion shall last forever.

### **Yehochanan Calls Yeshua God**

- **Yehochanan (John) 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

In Hebrew this is simply, In the beginning was Word, and the Word was with the High Authority and the Word was the High Authority. That is, Yeshua was with the "High Authority in Heaven (the Father), and Yeshua was, Himself, the High Authority in the Earth.

**I Yehochanan (I John) 5:20** And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Yeshua the Messiah. This is the true God and eternal life.

That is, God's Son, Yeshua the Messiah, *is the true High Authority in the Earth and source* of eternal life.

### **Kepha (Peter) in Addition to Calling יהוה Yeshua's Father and God in I Kepha (I Peter) 1:3, in the alternative, Calls Yeshua God Here**

- **2 Kepha (2 Peter) 1:1** Shimon Kepha (Simon Peter), a bondservant and Emissary of Yeshua the Messiah, To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Yeshua the Messiah.

In the Hebrew equivalent of the Greek passage here, this would be understood simply as, "by the righteousness of Yeshua the Messiah, our High Authority and Savior." Or in the alternative, "by the

righteousness of our God (of our Father), “and” of our Savior, Yeshua the Messiah” (His Son).

### **So, is Yeshua God?**

This is like asking if Havah (Eve) is Adam. Did not Adam say that Havah (Eve) was bone of his bones and flesh of his flesh? Yet they are two individuals with two separate wills, and echad – that is, they were two individuals with two separate wills made up of the same flesh and bone and unified in thought and action.

-This can be likened to a glass of water that is separated into 3 glasses, each glass containing 1/3 of the original glass. Then taking the original glass and keeping it in liquid form, taking the second and making it into steam, and taking the last glass and making it ice. All the same original glass of water, but in 3 different forms, each form being distinct in form and characteristic and function from the other.

-In the same way, if I am a human and I have a son, then that makes my son human also. In the same way, if יהוה is Elohim – one of High Authority as a King for example, and He has a Son, then this causes His Son to also be Elohim -one of High Authority as future heir to the throne. But even as I am a separate individual from my son, even so יהוה is a separate individual from His Son, but all part of the same royal family.

Notice I did not say “If יהוה is God, and He has a Son, that this causes His Son to also be God” because the English word “God” leaves no room for a second deity, and would lead to the erroneous conclusion that since we are also now “sons of God” through Yeshua, that this now somehow makes us God as well. See the problem when using the word “God”?

You see, the Scriptures and conclusions don't flow with the English word “God”. As such, wherever the word elohim, or the Greek equivalent to elohim, appear in the text, the words “High Authority” should have been supplied for the translation rather than the word “God”.

This is because the English word “God” and Hebrew word “elohim” mean two different things. In English among believers, there is only one God – One Deity, but in Hebrew there are many elohim – many high authorities. And though God is definitely a High Authority, in fact the Most High Authority, only one Elohim out of the multitudes of elohim is God.

Now concerning the word “echad”. First, let me share a distinction from another angle beginning with the Hebrew word “echad”.

### **What is Echad?**

-Echad, though in modern use has been given the equivalent status of the number 1, this is not the original or biblical meaning of the word. As Isidor also says, this word in the Hebrew when we say the Shema is that God is the only One “who encompasses all things”.

In other words, “echad” is not like saying that God is a single tree in an open field with no other trees around; but that He is a single tree in a grove of trees, with all of the other trees in the grove springing forth from Him, that is, that He is the first, the “Father” of all the other trees.

Echad is better expressed as a plural unity. As such, a single individual cannot be echad, but only yachid, like the number 1; but a group of people being lead by an individual (like Israel coming out of Egypt under the headship of Moshe) would be “echad”. Or of people who are acting in unity towards a common goal or cause (like Israel going to battle against Jericho) would also be “echad”. Or as the Levitical Priests acting as one body to provide atonement for the people, or as a group of people who have a common standard or lifestyle (such as the Amish or Chassidic), these are also examples of how the word “echad” is used in the Hebrew. They are all examples of a group of two or more

members acting “in unity” towards a common goal, activity, or standard. This is the word “echad” and very similar to our English word “unity”.

Even the cluster of grapes that the spies brought back from Canaan are referred to as Echad; but if it had been only one single grape brought back rather than a cluster, then it would not have been echad, but yachid. So echad is better defined in English as a “unified whole” or “unified plural”, as it is even used when it says in **B’resheet (Genesis) 2:24** concerning Adam and Havah (Eve), that the “two” shall become “one” flesh – shall become “echad” in their flesh – that is, a plural unity, or unified plurality. But concerning Elohim, Elohim is always referred to as “echad”, as a unified plurality, and is never referred to as “yachid” in these passages.

So when Yeshua prays, “Father may they be one as we are one that we may all be one with each other, He isn’t saying “Father, may they be the same person, as we are the same person, so that we may all be the same person”; but rather, “Father, may they be unified together in the same way we are a unified together, so that all of us together may be a unified whole.” **Yehochanan (John) 17:20-23**.

So the word elohim itself has the concept of “echad” *embedded within it*, in that it is simultaneously both plural and singular, indicating again, a unified plurality or unified whole.

With these things in mind we can see that a more accurate rendition of the Shema in English would be something more along the lines of: “Hear O’Israel, יהוה our Elohim, יהוה, is the One from whom all things spring forth and are unified.”

Which concept is further reinforced when the Scriptures declare יהוה to be Most High “God”, or more specifically, El Elyon, “The Most High Elohim” – *Most High* Authority. This statement of “Most High” in and of itself indicates that there is more than one Elohim – more than one authority that exist. But concerning deity? From the biblical perspective there is only One Deity, and that is our Father in Heaven who we refer to in the English as “God”.

Even as it is written:

### יהוה the Most High Elohim

**Mizmor (Psalm) 95:3, יהוה king *above all* elohim (above all authority)**

**Mizmor (Psalm) 97:9, יהוה exalted *above all* elohim (above all authority)**

**Mizmor (Psalm) 135:5, יהוה *above all* elohim (above all authority)**

**Mizmor (Psalm) 136:2, יהוה is *Elohim of all elohim* (the authority above all authority)**

In the **Brit Chadasha (New Testament)** God is called by the title “theos”, the closest Greek equivalent of the Hebrew word “elohim”; but in **2 Corinthians 4:4** the Wicked One is also called the “theos”, that is, the “theos” of this world, the “elohim” of this world – the “high power” of the secular, manmade world.

This makes it clear that elohim and god have two different meanings, for if there is only one God, then both Yeshua, the Father, and the Wicked One, would all have to be the one and same God. But they clearly are not. However, all of these are high authorities in the earth, and the Father is the Most High authority.

### So Saying Yeshua is Elohim, is Not the Same as Saying He is God

As stated earlier, the Scriptures state that the Father is the Most High Elohim; that we are elohim;

**Mizmor (Psalm) 82:6**, that angels are elohim; **Mizmor (Psalm) 8:5**, that judges are elohim; **Shemot (Exodus) 22:8,9,28** and that Yeshua is elohim; **Mizmor (Psalm) 45:6**; just to cite a few.

So if we are elohim, and the Wicked One is the elohim of this world, **2 Corinthians 4:4**, and the Father is the most High Elohim over and above all elohim. Then Yeshua is also elohim. But does the generic title “elohim” automatically mean Deity? If it did, then all of us who are also called elohim would also be deity; but this is clearly not the case. So the word elohim means something different than “deity”.

To simplify things, “God” means “deity”, and “elohim” means “high authority” of some kind ranging anywhere from the level of a judge up to the throne of God itself, and every level in between.

So when one asks if somebody believes Yeshua is God, it is the same as asking if they believe that Yeshua is “Deity” – that is, do they believe He is the Father? But concerning the word elohim, it is clear that unlike the English word “God”, elohim does not mean deity.

As can be seen in the examples provided earlier, the Father and Yeshua are both called elohim, as are angels, men, and judges who are clearly not deity. So it’s like comparing apples with cucumbers; they are both produce, but completely different in characteristic and make-up.

So the more clarifying question to ask is not “Do you believe Yeshua is God”, but rather, “Do you believe that Yeshua came down from haShamayim (Heaven) and is therefore of divine origin, or do you believe that He was a mere mortal as we?”

With this question my answer can be reduced to a simple “Yes, I believe that Yeshua came down from haShamayim (Heaven) and is therefore of divine origin; but no, I do not believe that He was created as a mortal being with no prior knowledge or life with the Father”.

But concerning the question of whether or not Yeshua is Deity (God), clearly only **יהוה** the Father is “Deity”, or “God” as used in the English translations.

And concerning the question of whether or not Yeshua is “Elohim”, the answer to this is absolutely yes; and He is also the Son of the Most High Elohim, that is, He is the Son of **יהוה** the Father – the Deity from whom all authority flows, and whose authority is above all authority.

So when Yeshua says to Thomas in **Yehochanan (John) 14:7**, “If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him”. He is not saying that He is the Father – for no one has ever seen the Father; **Yehochanan (John) 1:18; 5:37; I Yehochanan (I John) 4:12**. But rather, that because the fullness of the Father’s character dwells within Him, that to know Yeshua’s character is to know the Father’s character.

But to ask if He is God? The English is not specific enough to state clearly what is meant by this question.

The answer to this again, and as based on the conclusions above, are:

No. Yeshua is the Son of the Father, and has a separate will than His Father. And though we have all seen Elohim the Son, no one has seen “God” the Father, the Most High Elohim; **Yehochanan (John) 1:18; 5:37; I Yehochanan (I John) 4:12**.

Likewise, the Father sent Yeshua into the world; and while in the world He died on the execution stake for our sins and was forsaken by the Father for a brief moment in eternity until His suffering on our behalf was complete.

And finally, that Yeshua has been sent not only to defeat death; **I Corinthians 15:26** and remove sin from the earth; **Yehochanan (John) 1:29**, but that after He has subdued all things and brought them under submission to Himself, that He Himself is likewise then going to restore all of those things to

**יהוה** His “Deity/God” and Father; **I Corinthians 15:28**.

So what about the 6 verses that imply Yeshua is “God” in **Evreem (Hebrews) 1:8**; **Mizmor (Psalm) 45:6**; **Yehochanan (John) 20:28**; **Yehochanan (John) 1:1**; **I Yehochanan (I John) 5:20**; **2 Kepha (2 Peter) 1:1**?

The solution is simple. Context.

If I tell you I put a plant in a pot yesterday, but today I cooked up some stew in a pot, and that in the USA many states are considering making pot legal, you can determine precisely the very different meanings of the same word “pot” by the context that I use the word “pot” within.

In the same way, when reading the English translations, when you see the word “God” used to describe the Father, then you understand we are talking about our “**Deity יהוה**”; but when you see the English word “God” applied in any other way, then we can understand it to mean “**elohim**” or “**High Authority**”, of which our heavenly Father is “**the Most High Elohim**” – “**the Most High Authority among many other authorities**”.

When reading the “New Testament” in Greek, the same principle can be applied concerning the Greek word “theos”, by substituting “theos” with the Hebrew word elohim like we substituted the word “God” with the word elohim.

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So why is it then that Catholics and Reform Catholics (Protestants) insist that one must believe that “Jesus is God”? Believe that “Jesus” is the Father made flesh?

This would require a whole separate teaching, but in a nutshell it is because their roots go into sun worship and back to Babylon. Concerning Babylon, all the ancient mystery sun god religions taught that a father deity that was killed at the Winter solstice was reincarnated at the Spring equinox at the time known today as Easter, but more traditionally known as Ishtar/Asherah.

This counterfeit gospel then tied in eventually with sun worship, as it is on December 25<sup>th</sup> that the dead sun god (originally Nimrod) began his ascent up from the underworld to be reincarnated as his own son at Easter. Thereby eventually becoming known as the “Invincible Sun God” who after death, always rises back to life again – beginning December 25<sup>th</sup> and culminating at Easter.

The day that these pagan sun worshippers gathered on was Sunday. This is why Roman church, per the directive of Emperor Constantine, who himself continued to be a sun worshipper even after professing to be a “believer” in Jesus, changed the day of gathering from the 7<sup>th</sup> day Sabbath over to Sunday, and why the Roman church always presents “Jesus, the Apostles, and Saints with a radiant circle around their heads, to indicate they are children of the Sun god”. Many Reform Catholics (Protestants) have forgotten this origin of their mother Roman church. But this is nevertheless, the origin of their gospel and holidays.

This concept of being “children of the sun god” in turn ties in with the fallen angels who had relations with human women prior to the flood, which resulted in the birth of giants in the earth who were half human/half fallen angel. These fallen angels are referred to by ancient pagan writings as the Annukim who they believed came down from the sky from the sun god. The Scriptures also describe some of the giants in the earth after the flood as “annukim” showing that after the flood the fallen angels had

bred with human women once again.

UFO abductees claim that the fallen angels are breeding with humans once again. The Scriptures confirm that this will take place again in our end time generation; **Daniel 2:43**. Brat dolls are being used I believe to accustom this generation to receive these demonic half breeds as human. That despite their large eyes and small noses and chins, they will be presented likely as what we are allegedly “evolving” into, or as our “superior creators” who image we are being made into.

Lucifer is the chief of the Annukim and will return with legions of his angels in the form of a UFO invasion in counterfeit of Yeshua’s 2<sup>nd</sup> coming. When he arrives he will go to war against the two witnesses of **Revelation 11** and kill them. After this, he will fulfill his goal of sitting as God above the congregation; **Yesh’yahu (Isaiah) 14:13,14** when he steps into the Temple and proclaims himself to be both “God”; **2 Thessalonians 2:3,4** and causes people to believe he is “Jesus”; **Mattit’yahu (Matthew) 24:23,26**.

The counterfeit will be convincing enough to where if it were possible even the elect could be deceived; **(Matthew) 24:24**. But ultimately, it will be only those who do not have a love for the truth who will be completely deceived by his claim; **2 Thessalonians 2:9-12**.

This is one leg of three of the coming deception – Concerning Deity,

- 1- to believe that “Jesus is God”, for that is who, and what, the Wicked One will claim to be when He arrives in counterfeit of Yeshua’s coming.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> leg of the deception will be – Concerning the Bible,

- 2- a “rapture” where church leaders will be taken from all over the earth to “reprogram them” according to the new way (this is what people who claim to have been abducted by ufo’s state they have been told by these fallen angels), as the old way of understanding the bible will now be “outdated”. That is, this will be treated like a “3<sup>rd</sup> Testament” coming in place of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> Testament comings. So that even as the 2<sup>nd</sup> replaced the 1<sup>st</sup>, even so this 3<sup>rd</sup> will allegedly replace the prior as well.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> leg of the deception will be – Concerning the Nature of their Arrival.

- 3- for the fallen angels to claim themselves as our creators, and that as their offspring, they have come to save us. In the process of “saving us”, many miracles will be presented, and solutions (likely empty/deceptive solutions) offered for the world’s problems.

**The 3 ways true believers can recognize the deception are:**

- 1- Concerning Deity:

True believers will understand that Yeshua never claimed to be God – to be “the Deity”, but the counterfeit messiah will not only claim to be God, but demand we acknowledge his supremacy as so called “God” by taking the mark and bowing to the statue of his image; **Revelation 13:8,11-15**.

- 2- Concerning the Torah:

The counterfeit messiah who claims to be “God” while standing in the Temple of God will be Torahless and much opposed, like the Roman church, to the fullness of God’s law; **2 Thessalonians 2:7,8**. He will also oppose and kill God’s two witnesses of **Revelation 11:7**, and seek to destroy the remnant who “Obey the commandments of God and have the Testimony of Yeshua”; **Revelation 12:17; 14:12**.

### 3- Concerning the Order and Timing of Events:

The counterfeit will come prior to Yeshua's appearance even as Cain came before Abel, Ishmael before Isaac, Esau before Jacob, and King Saul before King David; and will do so without the need for spacecraft and will arrive instantly from one end of the sky to the other - even as lightning flashes from the east to the west; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 24:30**. And His arrival will cause the false messiah to be consumed with the brightness of His coming; **2 Thessalonians 2:8**.

The Roman church (the Catholic and Reform Catholic/Protestant church) has already set the stage for people to receive the coming 3 deceptions to the following degree,

- 1- By emphasizing that Jesus is God and that one has to believe this to be saved, and by associating him throughout history in various subtle ways with the sun. For example, like through paintings of the saints always presented with the sun radiating from behind their heads, through Sunday gatherings, and through teaching, like the sun worshippers taught, that the Father and Son are the same person. Interestingly enough, even the consumption of ham on December 25<sup>th</sup>, and at Easter, is associated with the ancient practices of sun worship (done originally in remembrance of the wild boar that killed the first sun worshipper "Nimrod" – the founder of Babel, and forerunner of Babylon).
- 2- That God's law is irrelevant except to the degree that a given culture finds value in it, and that new revelations, covenants, etc... totally replace prior ones even to the point of rendering any prior unfulfilled prophecies as nullified that are in conflict with their doctrinal statements. For example, like the replacement theology (that the church has replaced Israel), and amillennialism (belief that the 1000 reign in **Revelation 20** has already passed).
- 3- That the church is going to be raptured prior to the tribulation (though Yeshua clearly states He is going to arrive at the end of the tribulation; **Mattit'yahu (Matthew) 24:29,30**).

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