

# GOD IS SELF-EXISTENT

John 1:1

(Not entirely original with me)

**Introduction:** It seems that many go to church without any genuine desire to get into "deity." They don't go to church to meet God or delight in His presence. They don't go to hear from that eternal, everlasting world above. If only one could go back in time, far beyond the point where there was nothing, no one except God, Himself and one would see only God, self-sufficient, uncreated, unborn, unmade - God alone, living, eternal and self-existent. People are so covered up in matters of the world and time that they forget that at one point, God lived, dwelt, existed, and loved without any support, help and there was no creation. For some reason some people think that God just couldn't get along without them, yet God has never had to receive anything from anybody and there is no one and no thing to whom God has ever been in debt. God is self-existent!

## I. GOD DOES NOT NEED ANYTHING FROM ANYBODY

1. It may hurt some feelings, but God does not need anything anybody has.
  - In the beginning GOD CREATED.
    - God has never leaned upon anything He has created.
    - If God needed any help or strength from another source, He would not be omnipotent and then He would NOT be God.
2. If God needed advice and counsel, He would not be SOVEREIGN.
  - If God needed wisdom, He would not be OMNISCIENT.
  - If God needed support and sustenance, He would not be SELF-SUFFICIENT
3. **"...In the beginning..."** is not a birth date for almighty God.
  - It is the point of time when God ceased to be alone and began to make time, space, creatures and human beings.
  - Before the creation, God was there as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
    - God was already busy with eternal mercies, thoughts and plans for a human race not yet created.
    - **"...For He chose us in Him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in His sight..." (Ephesians 1:4)**

## II. GOD CREATED MATTER (MATERIAL THINGS)

1. Matter is that of which any physical object is made from.
2. "Materialism" applies to the things around that can be touched, smelt, tasted, handled, seen and heard.
  - Sadly people have concluded that material and physical things are all that really "matters."
  - In creating, God had to have some place to put "matter" so He created space, then motion, and time.
  - Time is where things change.
  - God made laws that govern time, space and matter.
3. God created life, and life that would be aware of time, space, motion and matter.
  - God created "spirit" in order that there might be an awareness of God, Himself.
4. When God created the heaven, the earth and human life, human thought began.

## III. GOD DOESN'T NEED ANYBODY

1. How would it be if God suddenly was caught unaware of some things?
  - Could YOU worship a God that was not up on all things?
  - Could YOU worship a God that needed you?

2. Every person should be trying to cause God to be pleased with him/her.
  - God does not need pity from any human being.
3. There is a place God has prepared for people who do not want to love Him or serve Him and that place is called "hell."
  - Sadly, those who refuse to love and serve God are dear to God and they have been created in His own image.
  - There is nothing but a human being that has been created in God's own image.
4. Because mankind has been created in God's image, likeness, God offers mankind conversion, regeneration and forgiveness.
  - Remember the image that God's Son took when He came to earth to redeem mankind, it was a human being. Not an angel but a human being, made in the image of God.

#### **IV. GOD DOES NOT WASTE ANY PERSON**

1. God will never waste, put aside, ignore, refuse any person, but a person may waste him/herself.
  - Sin is a disease, lawlessness, rebellion, transgression and brings about a waste of the most precious thing on earth and that is a living human being.
2. How can people come to realize that God is almighty, and before the world was created and there was any life on earth, God loved mankind, thought about mankind, planned redemption, salvation and forgiveness of mankind?
  - Why aren't people more faithful and serious in proclaiming to others God's great concerns?
3. God has assigned the mission of telling others about Him to those who already believe in His Son.
  - How are the ignorant, unknowing multitudes ever to know the truth about God and discover that they were made by God and for Him?
4. God has a purpose, a plan for every human being's life.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

1. In the beginning there was God!
2. God has no need of anybody or anything.
3. All things, material or spiritual, etc. were made by God.
4. God loves all that He has made.
5. God knows every detail about everything, everybody He has made.
6. God loves mankind more than anything for only mankind has been made in His image.
7. God's Son, Jesus, came to earth to make it possible for mankind to be restored to God.
8. It is the assigned mission of Christians to make known to everyone just who God is.