

June 7 Trinity

EXODUS 34:4b-6, 8-9

Early in the morning Moses went up **Mount Sinai** as the ***LORD** had commanded him, taking along the two stone tablets. Having come down **in a cloud**, the ***LORD** stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, "***LORD**" Thus the ***LORD** passed before him and cried out, "The ***LORD**, the ***LORD**, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." Moses at once bowed down to the ground in worship. Then he said, "If I find favor with you, O Lord, do **come along in our company**. This is indeed a stiff-necked people; yet pardon our wickedness and sins, and **receive us as your own**."

Men always meet GODS **on a mountain**; that's here Gods live, **in clouds**, everyone knows that!

Hebrew EXODUS (***here**) uses God's Real Name:

YAHWEH, "THE ONE WHO IS—יהוה"
This Name is NEVER said out loud by a Jew.
 That is how HOLY it is.
 They even write "*G_D*" in English.

GOD tells Moses his NAME.

He is now "in" with God; So Moses asks God to join US and "*come along in our company. . . and receive us as your own.*"

Moses invites God: "*pitch your tent with us*" as we journey across this desert of life, adding "We are not worth it, we know."

This is OUR essential adoption into God's family.

PSALM DANIEL 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56

R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers,
 praiseworthy and exalted above all forever;
 And blessed is your holy and glorious name,
 praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages.

R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory,
 praiseworthy and glorious above all forever.

R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you on the throne of your kingdom,
 praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

R. Glory and praise for ever!

Blessed are you who look into the depths
 from your throne upon the cherubim,
 praiseworthy and exalted above all forever.

R. Glory and praise for ever!

This same idea is repeated in the Book of which is today's Acclamation before the Gospel.

Both Daniel and Revelation are *Apocalyptic Writings*, popular in the time of XT, visions or stories which promise FAITHFUL Jews from evil.

Nebuchadnezzar, The Babylonian King, commands 3 Jews to worship his Golden Idol. Since they refuse, he throws them in the Fiery Furnace the story!} When they are thrown in they loudly sing this HYMN. Now does the Psalm make sense?

Glory and Praise some versions

Scott Brunell w guitar

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G9nAcY5_vkI 2:15

Glory and Praise Forever by Timothy R. Smith with words and NOTES/Chords

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2H8ReeZTBWE> 3 min

Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore, MD on 11 June 2017 w organ video

{I was in that Baltimore Cathedral}

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gJBZI7Ccn0> 3:15

Paul's 2nd letter to the Corinthians 13:11-13

Brothers and sisters, rejoice.
Mend your ways, encourage one another,
agree with one another, live in peace,
and the God of love and peace will be with you.
Greet one another with a holy kiss.
All the holy ones greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ
and the love of God
and the ***fellowship** of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

*** 'one-ness together'** koinonia, Κοινωνία Literally Together + ONENess (plural of ONE)
{I never thought fellowship brought out the meaning of being ONE, gathered together.}

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Book of Revelation 1:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;
to God **who is, who was, and who is to come.**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Paul's Epistles (Letters) were all written before the FINAL F
GOSPELS.

But the "message" is the same message.

Corinthians is dated by most scholars at 56-58 AD.

So this is the OLDEST,
clear "Trinitarian" statement in SS.

That is why it is often used at the beginning of Mass.

Entire verse from Revelation:

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the ***Lord God**, "the one w
the almighty."

***Lord God = The LORD YAHWEH / יהוה**

Gospel John 3:16-18

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life.
For God did not ***send** his Son into the world **to condemn the world**,
but that the world might be saved through him.
Whoever believes in him will not be condemned,
but whoever does not believe has already been condemned,
because he has not believed **in the name** of the only Son of God.

Here The Father continues to share
who HE IS, HIS NAME!
and—He shares HIS WORD, Jesus,
who shares with us more than just
"YAHWEH" of Exodus.

Jesus, the Word of the Father, the XT!
gives us a deeper understanding of

This section from John 3 is both overused and misused.

It is seen by fundamentalists as a simple Guarantee of THEIR salvation; and, at the same time,
reassures them that those who do not accept Jesus (as they think it should be!) are NOT going to be
saved. Excluded! They conveniently skip over these words: *God did not **send** his Son into the
world **to condemn** the world*, when they mis-use it.

What John 3 really states is the Biblical Understanding of the TRINITY. The Orthodox emphasize
the 'revealing of WHO God is' starting with Genesis through XT ending in Revelation. This is
what today's Mass Readings show: the Progressive, revealing of God to His People—in the Bible!

God the Father ***sent** (note the word from John)

His Word (the Word reveals more of what GOD IS). And from the Father
through the Son, Jesus from Nazareth, who lived with us in Israel, we have been given

The SPIRIT of God's LOVE, who remains with us.

So because God is a Union in Love of 3 Persons, WE share in that united LOVING.

The TRINITY is the PERFECT **Κοινωνία / together + oneness**