

THE ORIGIN OF THE TRINITY

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How did the Trinity originate and how did it become a part of "Christian" doctrine?

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3

1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and [by] our gathering together unto him, 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3

The Apostle Paul saw how this doctrine would come about by uttering the steps of this progress:

A Falling away

The revealing of the man of Sin (Son of Perdition)

We shall focus on what exactly happened during the "Falling Away" period, that would lead to the revealing of that man of Sin. This should shed much light as to how the Trinity was first adopted by Nominal Christians. The following quote gives some interesting insight on that history from a Christian website, notice the link is attached below.

"The early church worshipped one God and believed in a subordinate Son. The trinity originated with Babylon,...

Nimrod- Sun god

Semiramis- Moon goddess

Tammuz - Sun god (Reincarnated & Resurrected)

Notice the Following quotes about worshipping the sun, moon, stars...

19 And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, [even] all the host of heaven, shouldest be driven to worship them, and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

Deuteronomy 4:19

3 And hath gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded; Deuteronomy 17:3

Back to the quote:

...and was passed on to most of the world's religions. This polytheistic (believing in more than one god) trinitarianism was intertwined with Greek religion and philosophy and slowly worked its way into Christian thought and creeds some 300 years after Christ. The idea of "God the Son" is Babylonian paganism and mythology that was grafted into Christianity.

Worshipping "God the Son" is idolatry, and idolatry is Biblically condemned; it breaks the first great commandment of God of not having any gods before him (Exodus 20:3). Then three centuries after Christ the corrupt emperor Constantine forced the minority opinion of the trinity upon the council of Nicea." <http://www.christadelphia.org/trinityhistory.php>

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How did the Council of Nicea come about?

As we shall see it all came about by differences of opinion on the Roman Catholic Doctrine of the "Trinity", please observe the following written by the late Historian A. T. Jones: The Donatist dispute had resulted in the establishment of the Catholic Church. Yet that dispute involved no question of doctrine, but of discipline only. Just at this time, however, there sprang into prominence the famous Trinitarian Controversy, which involved, and under the circumstances demanded, an imperial decision as to what was the Catholic Church in point of doctrine—what was the Catholic Church in deed and in truth, and which plunged the empire into a sea of tumult and violence that continued as long as the empire itself continued, and afflicted other nations after the empire had perished. BEST September 13, 1897, p. 291.6

Who were those involved in this "Trinitarian Controversy"?

A CERTAIN Alexander was bishop of Alexandria. Arius was a presbyter in charge of a parish church in the same city. Alexander attempted to explain "the unity of the Holy Trinity." Arius dissented from the views set forth by Alexander. A sort of synod of the presbyters of the city was called, and the question was discussed. Both sides claimed the victory, and the controversy spread. Then Alexander convened a council of a hundred bishops, by the majority of which the views of Alexander were endorsed. Upon this, Arius was commanded to abandon his own opinions, and adopt Alexander's. Arius refused; and Alexander excommunicated him and all who held with him in opinion, of whom there were a considerable number of bishops and other clergy, and many of the people. BEST September 13, 1897, p. 291.7

Was Arius a Anti-Trinitarian?

There was no dispute about the fact of there being a Trinity, it was about the nature of the Trinity. Both parties believed in precisely the same Trinity; but they differed upon the precise relationship which the Son bears to the Father. BEST September 13, 1897, p. 292.2

What exactly was this "Trinitarian Controversy"?

With the exception of a single point, the two views were identical, only being stated in different ways. Alexander held that the Son was begotten of the very essence of the Father, and is therefore of the same substance with the Father; while Arius held that the Son was begotten by the Father, not from His own essence, but from nothing; but that when He was thus begotten, He was, and is, of precisely the like substance with the Father. BEST September 13, 1897, p. 292.3

How far did this Controversy go?

So violent were the discussions that they were parodied in the pagan theatres; and the emperor's statues were broken in the public squares in the conflicts that took place.... Sailors, millers, and travellers sang the disputed doctrines at their occupations or on their journeys. Every corner, every alley of the city [this was said afterward of Constantinople, but must have been still more true of Alexandria] was full of these discussions—the streets, the market places, the drapers, the money-changers, the victuallers. Ask a man 'how many oboli?' he answers by dogmatising on generated and ungenerated being. Inquire the price of bread, and you are told, 'The Son is subordinate to the Father.' Ask if the bath is ready, and you are told, 'The Son arose out of nothing.'" (Stanley.) BEST September 13, 1897, p. 292.11

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What was the result of this dispute?

This dispute was upon the question as to what is the truth of the Catholic religion. Therefore if the question was to be settled, it must be settled for the whole empire. These considerations demanded a general council. Therefore a general council was called, A.D. 325, which met at the city of Nice, the latter part of May or the first part of June, in that year. BEST September 13, 1897, p. 292.14

What was this "General Council" noted as in History?

Never before had these remote, often obscure, ministers of a persecuted sect come within the range of imperial power.... Still after all due allowance, it is impossible not to share in the emperor's astonishment that this should have been the first act of the first Ecumenical Assembly of the Christian Church." BEST September 20, 1897, p. 299.2

What was Constantine's purpose in bringing these different churches together?

Constantine then delivered to the assembly an address exhorting them to remove all grounds of difference. BEST September 20, 1897, p. 299.5

To make the long story short, Alexander made sure that all Arian influences would get cut off from this agreement by highlighting one point in his creed which every Arian would without a shadow of a doubt reject:

At this point a letter was brought forth, which he [Arius] had formerly written, in which he had stated that "to assert the Son to be uncreated, would be to say that He was 'of one substance'—Homoousion—with the Father, and to say that 'He was of one substance' was a proposition evidently absurd." BEST September 20, 1897, p. 300.7

"The letter produced a violent excitement. There was the very test of which they were in search; the letter was torn in pieces to mark their indignation, and the phrase which he had pledged himself to reject, became the phrase which they pledged themselves to adopt." BEST September 20 1897, 300.8

Alexander's position was accepted by Constantine:

Constantine decided to "gain the assent of the orthodox, that is, the most powerful, part of the assembly," by inserting the disputed word. BEST September 20, 1897, p. 300.9

What does the Modern Nicene Creed Say?

The Nicene Creed of May - June 325 AD? Read A. & B.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. A.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried;

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and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.¶¶B. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.¶¶And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

<http://www.reformed.org/documents/index.html?mainframe=http://www.reformed.org/documents/nicene.html>

Nicene Creed In 1897

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of all things both visible and invisible. BEST September 20, 1897, p. 300.11

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, begotten of the Father, only begotten, that is to say, of the substance of the Father, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made, both things in heaven and things in earth; who for us man, and for our salvation, came down, and was made flesh, and was made men, suffered, and rose again on the third day went up into the heavens, and is to come again to judge the quick and dead. BEST September 20, 1897, p. 300.12

In short the Nicene Creed portrays a god/s that is made up of three beings, this was later introduced as "The Trinity", a tri unity of three spiritual beings that make up one deity.

Interestingly enough prior to the Nicene Creed in 325 a.d. Constantine had thought to "change times and laws" Daniel 7:25, by making a decree, the very first Sunday Law in History [321 a.d.].

"The first public measure enforcing Sunday observance was the law enacted [A. D. 321.] by Constantine, two years before his profession of Christianity. This edict required townspeople to rest on the venerable day of the sun, but permitted countrymen to continue their agricultural pursuits. Though originally a heathen statute, it was enforced by the emperor after his nominal acceptance of the Christian religion. - {4SP 391.1}"

Prophetically, what time period of the 7 Churches of Revelation chapter 2-3 is mentioned during the time 325 a.d.?

The Church of Pergamos - The period covered by this church may be located from the days of Constantine, or perhaps, rather, from his professed conversion to Christianity, A.D.323, to the establishment of the papacy, A.D.538. It was a period in which the true servants of God had to struggle against a spirit of worldly policy, pride, and popularity among the professed followers of Christ, and against the virulent workings of the mystery of iniquity, which finally resulted in the full development of the papal man of sin. DAR1909 383.5

What does the Bible have to say about the Church of Pergamos? Revelation 2:12-16

12 And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith He which hath the sharp sword with two edges;13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, [even] where Satan's seat [is]: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those

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days wherein Antipas [was] my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.¹⁴ But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.¹⁵ So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate. ¹⁶ Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. Revelation 2:12-16

What is meant by “the seat or Throne of Satan” & the dwelling place of Satan?

This is that time period when Satan began to receive Worship through professed “Christians” during that “falling away” period.

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 2 Thessalonians 2:4
Isaiah the Seer Prophesied it this way:

13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: Isaiah 14:13

By what means does Satan receive worship?

By False Worship & Persecution:

Cain being the first to introduce false worship and also introduces the spirit of persecution.

And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. Genesis 4:3,5

Why did God have no “respect” for Cain’s offering?

Cain thought himself righteous, and he came to God with a thank offering only. He made no confession of sin and acknowledged no need of mercy. But Abel came with the blood that pointed to the Lamb of God. He came as a sinner, confessing himself lost; his only hope was the unmerited love of God. {COI 152.1}

There is no remission/forgiveness of sin without the shedding of blood.

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. Hebrews 9:22

Then this was followed by Persecution:

And Cain talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him. Genesis 4:8

Why did Cain murder his Brother Abel?

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Not as Cain, [who] was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous. 1 John 3:13

So it is with all that have the spirit of Anti-Christ, notice the steps of Apostasy, false worship leads to persecution.

And the promise is given to all that live Godly:

Yea, and all that will live godly IN Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution 2 Timothy 3:12 (KJV)

What is the “doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac” to “cast a stumbling block & to eat things sacrificed unto idols,” and to commit fornication represent and how are we to understand these reproofs?

In order to gather the significance of these reproofs to the church of Pergamos we must gather the information from the Biblical records. Numbers 25:1-5

*1 And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab.

This can be understood by comparing the following verse:

Of the 144,000 it is said “These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins.” Revelation 14:4

In Bible Prophecy Women are represented as Churches pure/apostate. The 144,000 sealed ones do not defile themselves with other Churches, they do not compromise their faith to the lower the standards as to comply with fallen defiled Churches.

*2 And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods.

It is interesting to note first that there is a “calling” or invitation that is made to join. Here we find the “stumbling block” that caused Pergamos to err in “Doctrine” in the worship of Idols/false gods. In other words this “calling” was a Ecumenical Council of Churches to put all differences aside and just “love” each other and worship a false god/s.

The Apostle Paul made this point clear to the Church at Corinth, notice the following verses: As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol [is] nothing in the world, and that [there is] none other God but one. 1 Corinthians 8:4

19 What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing? 20 But I [say], that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice, they sacrifice to devils, and not to God: and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils. 21 Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils. 1 Corinthians 10:19-21

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Heretofore we understand that the “stumbling block” was to cause Pergamos to “err/stumble” in worshipping that which was not God at all rather the worship of false gods or a “Trinity” a “doctrine of Devils”.

Note* Webster’s 1828 Dictionary

STUMBLING-BLOCK, STUMBLING-STONE, n. [stumble and block or stone.] Any cause of stumbling; that which causes to err.

Jesus Christ was the stone of stumbling unto the Jews, why? Because they could not recognize Him as the Messiah. Their own self confidence and pride blinded their eyes from understanding the Messianic Prophecies at His humble first appearance as “The Lamb of God, that taketh away the Sin of the world” John 1:29

And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem. Isaiah 8:14 (KJV)

Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways [from] the ancient paths, to walk in paths, [in] a way not cast up; Jeremiah 18:15 (KJV)

In the case of Pergamos it was a violation of the first commandment “Thou shalt not have any other gods before me” Exodus 20:3

But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.
Malachi 2:8

3 Son of man, these men have set up their idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them? 4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the stumbling block of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols; 5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols. Ezekiel 14:3-5

Note* 1828 Webster’s Dictionary: ESTRANGED, pp. Withdrawn; withheld; alienated...
In other words God’s Presence is withdrawn from those from those that worship false gods IN THEIR HEARTS.

*3 And Israel joined himself unto Baalpeor: and the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel.

Israel (God’s Denominated People) Joined in the worship of the gods of Sun while “Professing to be Sabbath keepers”

Notice the following verses about joining with Idolaters:

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Can two walk together, except they be agreed?
Amos 3:3

35 And after this did Jehoshaphat king of Judah join himself with Ahaziah king of Israel, who did very wickedly:

36 And he joined himself with him to make ships to go to Tarshish: and they made the ships in Eziongeber. 37 Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah prophesied against Jehoshaphat, saying, Because thou hast joined thyself with Ahaziah, the LORD hath broken thy works. And the ships were broken, that they were not able to go to Tarshish. 2 Chronicles 20:35-37

*4 And the LORD said unto Moses, Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up before the LORD against the sun, that the fierce anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

This denotes to which gods they were called to join in worship, none other than the triune gods "The Trinity" as was already mentioned at the beginning of our presentation.

A similar vision was given to Ezekiel concerning the last days:

Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which [was] toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz. Ezekiel 8:14

The same word "weeping" is found in the very story referred to in Numbers 25:

6 And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who [were] weeping [before] the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

7 And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw [it], he rose up from among the congregation, and took a javelin in his hand; 8 And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the children of Israel. Numbers 25:6-8

Please take note that it was "one of the children of Israel" that introduced the medianitish woman to his brother, this denotes that false worship has a long reaching effect upon those that we fellowship with, all it takes is one person with enough influence to destroy a whole church by adopting false doctrines from Babylonian churches.

The "weeping" of Ezekiel's vision is partially seen in numbers 25 in connection with the false worship of Baalpeor and the midianitish woman, this was a ritual of fertility to their false deity "Tamuzz" one of the triune gods. This was that act of "fornication" brought to bear in numbers 25, a literal account of that fornication, in Ezekiel 8 & Revelation 2 it is a "Spiritual Fornication" by uniting "the faith of our Fathers" with "Doctrines of Devils". The modern celebration of this pagan festival is known as "Easter Sunday" which true Christian followers would have no fellowship in such a celebration if they had this historical background in mind.

And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, [were] about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east. Ezekiel 8:16

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In prophetic vision Ezekiel saw the deceptions of the last days which would befall the “Last Day” people of God, the dealings of the people of God in the wilderness after being brought out of Egypt is a type or shadow of the same for the Seventh Day Adventist Church after reorganization and introducing spurious lies about the Personality and Presence of God. This will be presented in part 2 of this presentation.

25 Have ye offered unto me sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness forty years, O house of Israel? 26 But ye have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun your images, the star of your god, which ye made to yourselves. 27 Therefore will I cause you to go into captivity beyond Damascus, saith the LORD, whose name [is] The God of hosts. Amos 5:25-27

Moloch was another name for the Phoenician sun god which is represented by the pagan “Trinity”.

The Israel of old prefigured the Modern Israel of Today:

Each of the ancient prophets spoke less for their own time than for ours, so that their prophesying is in force for us...All the great events and solemn transactions of Old Testament history have been, and are, repeating themselves in the church in these last days.
{7MR 417.1,2}

11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.

12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. 1 Corinthians 10:11, 12

“Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall” because of the great lie that will cause many to STUMBLE of which is being taught by nearly all branches of SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST today whether they be conference, independent even those that claim to be “reformed” there are only a few that are protesting these heresies.

*5 And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, Slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baalpeor. Numbers 25:1-5

Let us summarize what we have found so far:

Verse 1: Spiritual Fornication with other Churches (Religions) namely Sun Worshippers

Verse 2: Ecumenical Council of Churches to agree upon Doctrine “Trinity” = Invitation to God’s People.

Verse 3: Brought to you by Roman Catholic Church (Sunday Keepers)

Verse 4 & 5: Judgement upon all that participated in this Ecumenical Sun Worship festival. Daniel and the Revelation says the following:

The doctrines complained of in the church of Pergamos were of course similar in their tendency, leading to spiritual idolatry, and an unlawful connection between the church and the

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world. Out of this spirit was finally produced the union of the civil and ecclesiastical powers, which culminated in the formation of the papacy. DAR1909 385.1

Verse 15 of Revelation 2 mentions the “doctrine of the Nicolaitans” this is the Teaching of “Freeloveism” of which is intimately connected to the “Trinitarian” doctrine. The Apostle Paul taught against this in his day as well.

15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. 16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? 17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. 18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness. Romans 6:15-18

And again:

13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only [use] not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, [even] in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Galatians 5:13,14

The Nicolaitan Doctrine was that of the use of Grace and Liberty as an excuse to live a life of Lust in the flesh. In other words it is the thought that because Christ died for your sins you can sin all you want. What is Sin? Sin is the transgression of the Law 1 John 3:4

What Law is referred to here according to verse 14 it is the law of Love. Exodus 20:1-17 gives us an itemized list of promises for those that Love God and are constrained by that Love to worship Him aright and promises for those that Love their neighbors as themselves.

Peter also rebuked this malicious doctrine when he wrote:

As free, and not using [your] liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. 1 Peter 2:16

Verse 16 of the second Chapter of Revelation calls the Church of Pergamos to REPENT! From what?

Idol worship (Trinitarianism) Free Loveism

1 And God spake all these words, saying, 2 I [am] the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness [of any thing] that [is] in heaven above, or that [is] in the earth beneath, or that [is] in the water under the earth: 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God [am] a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth [generation] of them that hate me; 6 And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

Exodus 20:1-6

Love and Loyalty to God does not leave room for love to anything that pertains to this world.

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15 Love not the world, neither the things [that are] in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. 1 John 2:15

What is the result of such a friendship with the world?

Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God. James 4:4

What are God's last words to Pergamos?

...or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth. Revelation 2:16

Those that hold to these Doctrines are fighting against God and the Sword of Truth (The Bible), it is that Sword of Truth that reveals these false teachings as Heresies and Doctrines of Devils... The Spirit of Christ in loving compassionate tones says to such:

Am I therefore become your enemy, because I tell you the truth? Galatians 4:16

In the book of Acts we find a similar instance when there was great dissention between a large group of Pharisees & Sadducees over what to do with Paul and his beliefs in Christ as the Messiah and Son of the Living God. Something was said then that can certainly be heard today regarding this controverted issue:

9 And there arose a great cry: and the scribes [that were] of the Pharisees' part arose, and strove, saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight against God. Acts 23:9

Let us not be found fighting against God my friends, no, rather let us have unflinching faith in all the Words of this Life as did righteous Abraham when called upon to give up his only child Isaac for God sake and this leads us with William Millers 14th Adopted Rule of Biblical

Interpretation:

Rule 14. The most important rule of all is, that you must have faith. It must be a faith that requires a sacrifice, and, if tried, would give up the dearest object on earth, the world and all its desires, character, living, occupation, friends, honors, comforts, and worldly honors. If any of these should hinder our believing any part of God's word, it would show our faith to be vain. Nor can we ever believe so long as one of these motives lies lurking in our hearts. We must believe that God will never forfeit his word. And we can have confidence that he that takes notice of the sparrow, and numbers the hairs of our head, will guard the translation of his own word, and throw a barrier around it, and prevent those who sincerely trust in God, and put implicit confidence in his word, from erring far from the truth, though they may not understand Hebrew or Greek.

If any have "stumbled/erred" to the snare of the Trinity and have reconfnized it today, I leave you with a promise:

19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;

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20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins
James 5:19,20

Stay tuned for part 2.

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