The Trinity

Assertions/Conclusions of this Article

To show that Jesus IS God and to show that the Holy Spirit IS God and therefore the Trinity teaching is scriptural truth.

Supporting Evidence

1.0 Is Jesus God?

John shows us who Jesus is; the Word who is with God and is God.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

<u>All things were made by him</u>; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

<u>And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us,</u> (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.

For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

(Joh 1 KJV)

Isaiah shows us exactly who Jesus is.

Isa 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Some heretics try to denounce this passage in Isaiah, but here we see the words used and the definitions thereof. This is the KJV with the Strongs references so we can check to see how these words are used elsewhere in the Bible texts.

Notice the word "God" and "Father". Even if we discounted the use of God in the text, Father still remains....HOW IS THE SON CALLED "FATHER" ???

ForH3588 unto us a childH3206 is born,H3205 unto us a sonH1121 is given:H5414 and the governmentH4951 shall be uponH5921 his shoulder:H7926 and his nameH8034 shall beH1961 calledH7121 Wonderful,H6382 Counsellor,H3289 The mightyH1368 <u>God,H410</u> The everlastingH5703 <u>Father</u>,H1 The PrinceH8269 of Peace.H7965

(Isa 9:6)

The mighty "God"

H410

אל

'eî

ale

Shortened from H352; strength; as adjective mighty; especially the Almighty (but used also of any deity): - God (god), X goodly, X great, idol, might (-y one), power, strong. Compare names in "-el."

Total KJV occurrences: 242

Everlasting "Father"

H1

אב

'aîb

awb

A primitive word; father in a literal and immediate, or figurative and remote application: - chief, (fore-) father ([-less]), X patrimony, principal. Compare names in "Abi-"

Total KJV occurrences: 1214

who cant cope with Jesus BEING God...

Yes, this passage in context calls the Son who is born both God and Father, contrary to those heretics

Then He said to Thomas, "Bring your finger here, and see My hands; and bring your hand here, and put it into My side. Be not unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and <u>my God!</u>" Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

(Joh 20:27-29)

-The Father knows what the Son does not:

But concerning that day and the hour, <u>no one knows</u>, not the angels, those in Heaven, <u>nor the Son</u>, <u>except the Father</u>.

(Mark 13:32 LITV)

But the Father has given to the Son to judge;

For the Father judges no one, but He has given all judgment to the Son, (Joh 5:22)

...showing clear distinction between them.

And there is distinction between the Son and the Spirit;

And anyone who <u>speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven</u> him; but to him who <u>blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven</u>.

(Luk 12:10)

"Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men, but <u>the blasphemy</u> <u>against the Spirit shall not be forgiven</u> unto men. And whoever <u>says a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven</u> him; but whoever <u>speaks against the Holy Spirit, it shall not be forgiven</u> him, either in this age, or in the coming one.

(Mat 12:31-32)

Whomever blasphemes the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes the Holy Spirit will NOT be forgiven.

This proves conclusively that there IS some distinction.

The pre-existence of Jesus

And now, O Father, glorify Me alongside Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

(Joh 17:5 EMTV)

What then if you should see the Son of Man ascending where He was before?

(Joh 6:62 EMTV)

And no one has gone up into heaven <u>except He who came down out of heaven</u>, the Son of Man, who is in heaven.

(Joh 3:13 EMTV)

<u>I came forth from the Father and I have come into the world.</u> Again, I am leaving the world and I am going to the Father."

(Joh 16:28 EMTV)

1.5

For <u>in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead</u> bodily; (Colossians 2:9 EMTV)

Godhead

G2320

θεότης

theotes

Thayer Definition:

- 1) deity
- 1a) the state of being God, Godhead

G2320

θεότης

theotes

theh-ot'-ace

From G2316; divinity (abstractly): - godhead.

REGARDLESS of how the word theotes was RENDERED, its MEANING and INTENT is 'divinity'...ie Jesus Christ is DIVINE...ie a DEITY....ie GOD.

If Jesus IS God yet Jesus does NOT KNOW the day and hour of His return but ONLY the Father does (aka GOD) then there MUST BE some DISTINCTION between them...even tho BOTH ARE God.

2.0 Is the Holy Spirit 'God'?

Scripture shows that the Spirit of GOD came down upon Christ...

And having been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the <u>Spirit of God descending like a dove</u> and coming upon Him.

(Mat 3:16 EMTV)

And Luke shows that this IS the Holy Spirit.

and the <u>Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove</u> upon Him, and a voice came out of heaven, saying, "You are My beloved Son; in You I have found delight."

(Luk 3:22 EMTV)

Thus the evidence shows that the 'Spirit of God' and the 'Holy Spirit' are one and the same.

3.0

And here we tie it all together.

And having been baptized, <u>Jesus</u> came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the <u>Spirit of God descending like a dove</u> and coming upon Him. And behold, <u>a voice came out of the heavens</u>, <u>saying</u>, "<u>This is My beloved Son</u>, in whom I have found delight."

(Matthew 3:16-17 EMTV)

- 1. Jesus, the Son who is called 'Mighty God' in Isaiah.
- 2. The Spirit descending in the form of a dove, who is the Spirit OF God.
- 3. The Father speaking from heaven, obvious enough.

======NOTES on Jesus being God===========

Jesus said He is God MORE than once....false ones among us are too ignorant to hear Him...

- >>"But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, Be of good cheer, I AM! Do not fear." (Mat 14:27)
- >>"Jesus said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Before Abraham came into being, I AM! (Joh 8:58)

WHO IS "I AM"?

The Jews knew EXACTLY what Jesus meant in saying "I AM".....which is why they picked up stones to kill him...

>>"Then the Jews said to Him, You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham? Jesus said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Before Abraham came into being, I AM!
Then they took up stones to throw at Him. But Jesus hid Himself and went forth out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and passed on by.
(Joh 8:57-59)

Jesus told us He is God....told the Jews He IS God...and they knew exactly what He MEANT in saying "I AM"...." AM"....I am He who existed before Abraham.....which is the reason why the were outraged and tried to stone him, they knew He was using a title of God Almighty in reference to Himself.

Heretics will pretend this is no more than saying "I AM leaving....I AM going", but its clear that that isnt how Jesus uses "I AM" in the context in this passage in John 8, its not comparable to that sort of use of "AM" at all.

In using "I AM" we see no action being spoke of...."I am going, I am coming"....just the plain statement that before Abraham was ever born, I AM...

The Jews fully understood His intent to say that He prexisted Abraham and IS God, the great I AM.

John tells us Jesus is God.

Jesus is the Word...

>>And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

(Joh 1:14)

...in John chapter 1 we see the Word is WITH God and IS God....

>>"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

(Joh 1:1-3)

In this passage we see three things....The Word, Jesus, was there in the beginning. He was WITH God and WAS God.

There is absolutely NO valid reason to make the two statements just to tell us that Jesus, the Word, was WITH God....no reason to add "and WAS God" unless something is being said.

Its like the second amendment that is constantly lied about by the uneducated who claim that it just means to possess a gun in ones home. No, there are TWO rights being protected in the amendment.....the right to KEEP arms...and the right to BEAR arms...."the right to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed".

The ignorant and the liar ignores the precision of the wording to push personal agendas.

Exactly the same thing here. Liars, heretics and false teachers willfully ignore that John shows TWO things about the Word...Jesus...in the very first sentence of his gospel....that Jesus was WITH God and WAS God.....two very different concepts.

Next, John literally did the same thing....called Jesus two things...."My lord" and "my GOD"...

>>"Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

(Joh 20:27-28)

John was clearly convinced that Jesus, the Word, was and is God.

WHO IS THE CREATOR IN GENESIS ONE?

Isnt it God Almighty? And what does it say....

>>"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (Gen 1:1)

"... God created the heavens and the earth"

GOD created it all in the first chapter of Genesis....agreed?

...and yet, read John again...

>>"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

(Joh 1:1-3)

The Word was WITH God...the Word WAS God....and ALL things were made by HIM...and NOT ONE THING that was made wasnt made BY Him.

Jesus, the Word, is God the Creator....ALL things were made by Him.

WHO WAS MADE MANIFEST IN THE FLESH

Now compare these....

>>"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: <u>God was manifested in the flesh</u>, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among nations, believed on in the world, <u>and received up into glory.</u>

(1Ti 3:16)

The greek for "manifest" is this...

G5319

φανερόω

phaneroo

fan-er-o'-o

From G5318; to render apparent (literally or figuratively): - appear, manifestly declare, (make) manifest (forth), shew (self).

GOD was manifest in the flesh...appeared....rendered in the flesh.....sounds just like John 1:14 below...

>><u>And the Word was made flesh</u>, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. (Joh 1:14)

And in this passage again.....

>>"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: <u>God was manifested in the flesh</u>, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among nations, believed on in the world, <u>and received up into glory.</u>

(1Ti 3:16)

...who was received up into glory but the Son?

This passage is clearly speaking about Jesus...who was God made manifest in the flesh.

===== The Ultimatum =======

Who do we believe here?
Liars? Heretics?
Or Jesus own followers who SAW who He was?

>>"Then He said to Thomas, "Bring your finger here, and see My hands; and bring your hand here, and put it into My side. Be not unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and <u>my God!</u>" Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." (Joh 20:27-29)

"my Lord and my GOD"

"God"

G2316

θεός

theos

theh'-os

a deity, especially (with G3588) the supreme Divinity; figuratively a magistrate; by Hebraism very: - X exceeding, God, god [-ly, -ward].

....a greek word used for "God" over 1300 times in the NT....

Either Thomas is correct and Jesus IS God as he just called Him....OR Thomas is a liar, or deceived...and the BIBLE ITSELF TEACHES HERESY....

So....which alternative to you believe?