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JOHN 1:1-18



Part 13: The One And Only

John 1:1-14

INTRODUCTION **NOTES** John 1:14 says, "We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." The phrase we're going to look at in this week's message is "one and only." This statement is extremely important because it is a description of the deity of Jesus. If you believe Jesus is less than divine, and if you don't believe He is the only and only way to a relationship with the Father, then you can't go to heaven. You must believe that Jesus is your Savior, but also that He is good. To spend eternity with Him, you have to believe He is the one and only. So as we walk through this passage and this principle this week, we'll take a look at a deeper explanation of the text, and then we'll break down the application of how this applies directly to you and your walk with Christ. **KEY POINTS** 1. Jesus Is The One And Only From The Father This is an important point for us to understand because Jesus is completely unique. Never has there been anyone like Him, and never will there be another one like Him. He is the one and only Son of God. This is where we must understand the distinction between us as His children, and Christ as His Son. When by faith, we trust Christ to be our Lord, we become children of God, sons and daughters of the King, but not with the same uniqueness as Jesus being the Son of God. Jesus is the Son, but is also part of the trinity, meaning He is God. But we are solely His children, adopted into the family of Christ. 2. Jesus Is The Only One With The Father Another point to remember is that Jesus is the only one with the Father. He's not only from the Father, He's with Him as well. This concept may frustrate you a bit on this side of eternity. To get our minds around the fact that Jesus could be called the Son of God, yet be God Himself is way above our pay grade. You just need to realize that there are going to be some things that are beyond our ability to understand, but that doesn't mean you can't have faith and believe. Believe that Jesus is God. He is God's Son, and He is both at the same time. 3. Jesus Is The One And Only Way To The Father Over and over in Scripture, Jesus is describing the exclusive way for us to get to the Father. That way is through Jesus Himself and Jesus alone. Jesus made this abundantly clear when He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." If anyone ever tells you there are multiple ways to the Father, you must be confident in knowing they are wrong. Jesus is the only way we can have a relationship with God. He is the bridge that crosses the gap between

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us and the Father, and there is no other way to cross over that gap.

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4. Jesus Wants To Be Your One and Only

Jesus wants to be your one and only. He is not only the Father's one and only, He wants to be your one and only. How do you know if He is your one and only? This quote says it best: "You don't know Jesus is your all until all you have left is Jesus." You know He's your one and only when He's the first one you run to. What I found in my own life that I find uniqueness and purpose when I come to Christ. I find my peace in the midst of storms when I come to Christ. I find my eternal security when I come to Christ. If you want to come to Christ, call on him. Confess to him, repent of your sin and run to him. You won't really know that Jesus is your one and only until you go through some storms of life and you realize if He doesn't come through, you are sunk.

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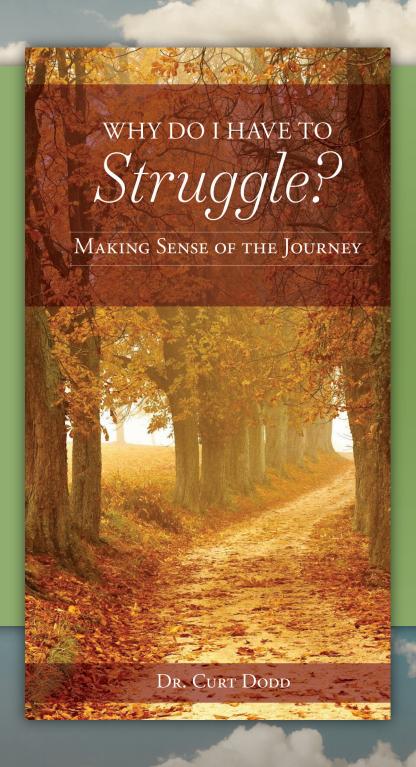
QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

- 1. Do you struggle with trying to comprehend aspects of your faith, like the Trinity? Or do you find it easy to have faith despite the things you can't understand?
- 2. Do you believe Jesus is the only way to the Father? Or do you think there are other ways to get to heaven?

3	. Is Jesus your one and only? Or have you been running to other things and other people for peace, comfort, support, and love? If so, what have you been run-ing towards and how can you redirect so that Jesus is your one and only?
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