

## LIFE GIVING WATER

Deuteronomy 6:4 ... "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one!"

As I work in my office, a glass of water sits on my desk next to a pencil and my cell phone. I used my pencil twice in the last few minutes. I also checked my phone for messages. But, the glass of water did nothing. It just sat there serving no important purpose. Had I left it there for several hours, I would have eventually poured the water down the sink drain.

However, a moment ago I drank from the glass. In an instant, the water went from having no purpose, to becoming a part of my body. The average human body is made up of 60% water. Did you know that your brain is about 75% water? The moment I swallowed the water in my glass, my body began processing it to build new cells, lubricate my internal organs, and keep me alive. Water is useless sitting in the glass, but it keeps you alive when you swallow it.

When we speak of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we are speaking of ONE God with three different roles. However, I often hear believers speak about God as if He is three different gods. We can easily illustrate how one God can exist with three different roles by looking at your life. If you are a married adult woman, you are someone's daughter. But you are also someone's wife. If you have children, you are someone's mother and if your children already have children of their own, you are someone's grandmother. If you have siblings, you are someone's sister. You may be someone's aunt. You may also be an employee, teacher, or Barangay councilor.

In your role as a mother, you will bathe your child, change his diaper, and feed him. But you perform an entirely different task when you attend a Barangay Council meeting, or when you stand before a classroom of students. Your role as a wife is very different than your role as a sister; your role as a teacher is very different than your role as a daughter. You are just one person with one body, one brain, one heart, one set of hands, and one set of eyes and ears. But, depending upon the many different roles you perform, all of those assets are used in a different capacity and to achieve different goals.

When you accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, you received God's Holy Spirit to occupy your soul. Like the glass of water, the Holy Spirit was useless to you until he came to live inside you. The Holy Spirit is not God #3, nor is He one-third of God. He is the one and only God in the entire universe. The same God who created the heavens and the earth. The same God who died on the cross for you and who will one day judge mankind. Your heavenly Father, Jesus and the Holy Spirit are one God with different roles, just like you are one person with different roles. The Holy Spirit is the same God who created you, died for you, and who will bless you if you live obediently to Him. The Holy Spirit is available to become the most important part of your life. He will guide you into righteousness and freedom from the bondage of sin, but you have to allow him into your life, then you must allow him to help you for that to happen.

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