Connections and Comparisons is an ongoing weekly series that deals with many scriptures in the Bible, some of which are not commonly addressed. The purpose of this series is to examine the scriptures at hand comparing what is said and looking at the connections within.

As Christians or those desiring to be Christians we must walk even as Jesus walked. "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked." (1 Jn 2:6)

Acts 10:38

38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

The Apostles of Jesus Christ walked as he walked and we are told to obey their word so that we "all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me." (Jn 17:21)

John 17:1-26

- 1 These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee:
- 2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give **eternal life** to as many as thou hast given him.
- 3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life. (1 Jn 5:20)

4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have **finished the work** which thou gavest me to do.

He glorified God on Earth by finishing the work which was revealing the truth to men of who God is and how we could partake of eternal life.

5 And now, O Father, **glorify thou me** with thine own self **with the glory which I had** with thee before the world was.

Here Jesus praying in his humanity asked the Father to glorify him referring to the man, the body of Christ, with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was. This referring to himself as the Word of God that was before the world was. The Word being the thoughts, plan, and reasoning in the mind of God. (See definition of the Logos)

6 I have **manifested thy name** unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have **kept thy word.**

- 7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.
- 8 For I have given unto them **the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them**, and have known surely that **I came out from thee**, and they have believed that thou didst send me.
- 9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.
- 10 And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and **I am glorified in them.**

Jesus is glorified in them because **they believed** he came forth from the Father.

11 And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through **thine own name** those whom thou hast given me, **that they may be one**, **as we are.**

He is no more in the world because **he overcame the world**. If you are to be one with him as he is one with the Father **then you must** eat his flesh and drink his blood. "He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him." (Jn 6:56)

- 12 While I was with them in the world, **I kept them in thy name**: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled. 13 And now **come I to thee**; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.
- 14 I have given them **thy word**; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as **I am not of the world**.
- 15 **I pray** not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.
- 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

The word is truth. Jesus is the Word and Jesus is the Truth.

18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.

Jesus was sent into the world to bring the knowledge of the glory of God; the truth to man. Even as God sent forth Jesus into the world to bring forth to man the knowledge of this truth even so now Jesus sent forth his disciples into the world to bring forth to man the knowledge of this truth.

19 And for their sakes **I sanctify myself**, that they also **might be sanctified through the truth.**

Jesus said for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through **the truth.** What was truth? **Thy word is truth.** The knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ, **the Prophet** of whom was spoken of **by the LORD** to Moses that was **to come**, of whom God would **put his words in his mouth**, of which whosoever **that will not hearken** unto the **words of God** of which he shall speak **in God's name**, God will **require it of him**.

- 20 Neither **pray I** for these alone, but for them also which **shall believe on me through their word**;
- 21 That they **all may be one**; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be **one** in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

By the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost, which gives us access to the body of Christ. One in truth, One in Spirit and One in body.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:

What glory? The knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ or the body of Jesus Christ of which is the truth. We partake of this truth through the Word by being born of water and of the Spirit as well as by eating his flesh and drinking his blood.

The Lord **will not** give his glory to another and Jesus said, "the glory which thou gavest me I have given them". Jesus is God and Jesus is one with God in truth, in name, in body, and in Spirit. **We become one in Jesus** by the truth when we receive the Holy Ghost or the Spirit of Truth. This Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost, gives us access to the body of Christ of which we become members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. (Eph 5:30)

- 23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.
- 24 Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; **that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me**: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.
- 25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.
- 26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

Jesus made absolutely certain that the Apostles understood who he was.

Matthew 16:13-20

- 13 When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, **he asked his disciples, saying**, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?
- 14 And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets.
- 15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?
- 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.
- 17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.
- 18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shall be on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

20 Then charged he his disciples that they should **tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ**.

The Apostle Peter who by revelation of the Father made the proclamation that "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God" was given by Jesus "the keys of the kingdom of heaven". The rest of the Apostles also understanding that Jesus was "the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus also made sure that the Apostles understood that he was the Holy Spirit.

John 14:15-18

15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Jesus just revealed plainly to his Apostles that he is the Comforter, "Even the Spirit of truth" saying, "but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." Jesus was the one with them and has now said to them, "I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you." It is Jesus that is the indwelling Spirit of God, the Comforter, "Even the Spirit of truth". So the name of the Holy Spirit is Jesus as was just stated by Jesus.

Jesus also made sure that the Apostles understood that he was the Father manifested in the flesh.

John 14:8-11

8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.

9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? 10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

Jesus also made sure that the Apostles understood that he had both manifested and declared the name of his Father

John 17:6-8

6 I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.

7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.

8 For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.

John 17:26

26 And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.

Jesus also received his name by inheritance.

Hebrews 1:4-5

- 4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.
- 5 For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?

In the time of Jesus there were not any last names given to a person. Therefore Jesus receiving his name by inheritance, while also telling us that he was the Holy Spirit, while also telling us that I and my Father are one, while also telling us he that hath seen me hath seen the Father, while also telling us I have manifested thy name and I have declared unto them thy name, reveals to us that the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost is Jesus.

The Apostles had full understanding of this as Jesus opened their understanding to all the scriptures in the Old Testament concerning himself.

Luke 24:44-49

- 44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.
- 45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,
- 46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:
- 47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.
- 48 And ye are witnesses of these things.
- 49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

After Jesus opened their understanding of the scriptures pertaining to himself he told them to preach repentance and remission of sins in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem and that, "I send the promise of my Father upon you". Jesus also tells them that after receiving the Holy Spirit which is the same as the Holy Ghost that the Holy Ghost would bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 14:26

26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

Notice that Jesus said, concerning the Holy Ghost, that "the Father will send in my name" also said, "I send the promise of my Father upon you". This is because Jesus is the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost as we have already seen in the scriptures above.

After the Holy Ghost was poured out upon the believers when the day of Pentecost had fully come the multitude that was there desired to know what was taking place because when the Holy Ghost is received by a believer they will speak with other tongues as the Spirit gives them the utterance. The Apostle Peter who was given the keys of the kingdom of heaven by Jesus Christ when it was revealed to him that Jesus was the Christ, answered the multitude concerning what was taking place as well as answering the most important question that all people who desire to be saved want to know, that is how to be born again.

Acts 2:36-39

- 36 Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, **that God hath made that same Jesus**, **whom ye have crucified**, both Lord and Christ.
- 37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?
- 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.
- 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.