Understanding the Godhead Part 2

At this time if you are still having trouble seeing the Oneness of God, I would like to give you a run down and some more questions to further explain the Oneness of God. For this I would like to give a condensed example.

God which is the Word (John 1:1) became flesh (Jesus) (John 1:14) upon being conceived in the womb of Mary when the Holy Ghost over shadowed her. (Luke 1:35) Notice that 1) the Holy Ghost does not have a name. Yet all Angels, Man, and God have names. So then why would the Holy Ghost be a third person without a name? And 2) the Holy Ghost over shadowed Mary and not the Father, so this would make the Holy Ghost the father of Jesus and not God the Father if you believe the teaching of the Trinity. Also, 3) if the Holy Ghost can be in every person on planet Earth; that wouldn't make the Holy Ghost can be one, yet in 6.5 billion different people, how then is it hard to see that our one God which is the Holy Spirit can manifest himself as an infinite number, yet still only be one God.

At this time I would like to bring your attention to one called Melchisedec.

Genesis 14:18-20

18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and <u>he was the priest of the most high God.</u>

19 And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. <u>And he gave him tithes of all</u>.

Here we read of a Melchizedek, who is the king of Salem and he was the priest of the most high God. We also learn that Abram pays tithes to Melchizedek.

Now let's read about Melchizedek in the book of Hebrews to better understand who he is.

Hebrews 6:20

20 Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

We now see that Jesus has been made our high priest after the order of this Melchisedec.

7:1 For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;
2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation <u>King of righteousness</u>, and after that also King of Salem, which is, <u>King of peace</u>;
3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but <u>made like unto the Son of God</u>; <u>abideth a priest continually</u>.

Here we are told some very important things concerning Melchisedec. He was the King of Righteousness, the King of Salem, the King of Peace. Without father, without mother, without descent, having no beginning of days, nor end of life; and made like unto the Son of God; and abides a priest continually.

Many people try to pass off Melchisedec as being just a man by trying to say that he was without mother and father because they didn't know his lineage. However, the Holy Ghost can easily reveal lineage. Since in the book of **Luke 3:23-38**, they give the lineage of Christ clear back to Adam, the son of God. This belief system completely ignores the wording of this verse which tells us that he was without beginning of days, nor end of life. This is a very clear statement, "having neither beginning of days, nor end of life". This verse also tells us that Melchisedec was made like unto the Son of God. What natural man could be like unto the Son of God? What man could fulfill being the King of righteousness, the King of Peace? Since the prophet Isaiah tells us in **Isaiah 64:6** <u>But we are all as an unclean thing,</u> and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags. Let's continue to read about Melchisedec.

(Continuing) Hebrews 7:4

4 <u>Now consider how great this man was</u>, unto whom even the patriarch Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.

5 And <u>verily they that are of the sons of Levi</u>, who receive the office of the priesthood, have a commandment to take tithes of the people according to the law, that is, of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:

6 But he whose descent is not counted from them <u>received tithes of Abraham</u>, and blessed him that had the promises.

7 And without all contradiction the less is blessed of the better.

In verse 6 we were just told that Melchisedec received tithes of Abraham and then blessed Abraham which had the promises of God. Then in verse 7 we are told that without contradiction the less, meaning Abraham, was blessed of the better, meaning Melchisedec. What natural man could have been more important than Abraham, which had received the promise of God? The answer is no one. That is why it was said that without all contradiction. The answer was because Melchisedec was not just a man, he was God.

8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth.

Again, it was stressed that men here that receive tithes die, but there Melchisedec received them, and it was witnessed that he lives.

9 And as I may so say, <u>Levi also</u>, who receive th tithes, <u>payed tithes in Abraham</u>.
10 For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.

These verses tell us that the sons of Levi paid tithes to Melchisedec even though they were yet in the loins of Abraham.

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11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law,) what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?
12 For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

13 For he of whom these things are spoken <u>pertaineth to another tribe</u>, of which no man gave attendance at the altar.

14 For it is evident that <u>our Lord sprang out of Juda</u>; of which tribe <u>Moses spake</u> <u>nothing concerning priesthood</u>.

These verses explain to us that God changed the priesthood, and since he changed the priesthood, out of necessity he also changed the law. That new law is the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus, of which we now are free from the law of sin and death, because Jesus died on the Cross and took back the keys of death and hell, and as many as are born again, and obey the New Testament and it's commandments, through the Faith of Jesus Christ, will have eternal life.

This next verse is extremely important concerning the belief system that Melchisedec was just a man. It reads

15 And <u>it is yet far more evident</u>: for <u>that **after the similitude of Melchisedec**</u> <u>there ariseth another priest</u>,

That priest was Jesus Christ. And this verse just told us that Jesus was after the similitude of Melchisedec. How then seeing that Jesus was Emmanuel, being interpreted God with us, can you compare him to only a flesh and blood man? Since Emmanuel was God with us, we know that God had no beginning of days, nor does he have end of life.

The only way that Melchisedec could be similiar to Jesus Christ, would be that Melchisedec never had beginning of days, nor end of life, which was clearly stated as well as the fact that verse three also tells us that he was made like unto the Son of God.

Let's reread Hebrews 7 verses 2 & 3.

2 To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation <u>King of righteousness</u>, and after that also <u>King of Salem</u>, which is, <u>King of peace</u>;

Since we know that Jesus is in the similitude of Melchisedec. Notice Melchisedec was the King of Peace, and that Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace.

Verse 3

3 Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; <u>abideth a priest</u> <u>continually</u>.

Notice that it tells us that he abides a priest continually. And since it also tells us he neither had beginning of days nor end of life, that means that if you are of a Trinitarian mind set you will either continue to say that Jesus came after the order of a man that was King of Righteousness or that now there is a fourth person in the Godhead. Just because in 1 John 5:7 it says there are three that bear record in heaven, does not mean that Melchisedec ceased to exist.

Continuing at verse 20 and it reads.

20 And inasmuch as not without an oath he (Jesus) was made priest:

21 (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him, The Lord sware and will not repent, <u>Thou art a priest for ever after</u> the order of Melchisedec:)

22 By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.

23 And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

24 But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood.

25 Wherefore he is able also to <u>save them to the uttermost that come unto God by</u> <u>him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them</u>.

1 Johne 5:7

7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

Notice that verse 7 said that the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost are one. It did not say these three are one made up of three. Because <u>that would no longer be</u> <u>one</u>, but three. And this is exactly what the Trinitarian does. They add to this scripture to make their doctrine fit.

If the Lord chose to list twenty different things and told us that these twenty things bear record in heaven, and these twenty are one, we would not conclude that they are one made up of twenty. The reason: because the verse said these are one. If we were to have concluded twenty, then we would have been told, and these twenty are one made up of twenty. So the Trinitarian person has added to the Word of God by teaching that these three are one, made up of the Holy Trinity, which consists of three co-equal, co-eternal persons of the same substance.

So there are three that bear record in heaven: the father (God), the Word (God), and the Holy Ghost (God), and these three are one God named Jesus. Just as Melchisedec (God) is a theophany of God. This means he is still alive even though he doesn't bare record. He is alive as God. One must not be confused over one bearing more than one record. An athlete for example could hold many records but is still but one athlete.

So then Melchisedec can not be overlooked or ignored. He was a theophany of God. Many Trinitarians call Oneness people heretics for saying that our one God manifested himself in different roles or offices such as the Father in creation, the

Son in redemption, and the Holy Ghost in action, and that these three roles or offices are fulfilled by our one God whose name was revealed to us in the New Testament as Jesus.

Melchisedec was existent not as a fourth person in the Godhead, but as the One God who is capable of manifesting himself as anything, anywhere, in any number, at any time. Just like he appeared as the burning bush (Exodus 3:5) and as a Rock in the wilderness that followed Moses. (1 Corinthians 10:4) These just being more examples of how He is all powerful, just as he appeared in the fiery furnace in Daniel. (Daniel 3:25)