

Course: The Oneness Of God

Sheet 1

Lesson: Unit 1- Evidence Of God (all lessons are based on the King James Version of the Bible)

Study Scrip-

tures John 1:1-10; Romans 1:17-23; 2:14-15; Hebrews 11:3; Genesis 1:1

Introduction

It is indisputably evident that mankind has a knowledge of a supreme Being. The word 'mankind' includes every human being who was ever born, and those who will be born. This knowledge exists despite ethnic group, nationality, social background, or religious persuasion (including agnostics and atheists). This knowledge is called *innate*. 'Innate' means 'born in'. We are all born with the knowledge of a supreme Being.

There is abundant physical and historic evidence to support this fact. History demonstrates that every ancient civilization worshipped a pantheon (many gods). The ancient Egyptians, Sumerians, Babylonians, Assyrians, Greeks, Romans, and many other civilizations all had their pantheons. People groups existing today, hidden away from the mainstream of civilization, also worship a supreme Being. They will either worship heavenly bodies, or carve images from wood or stone and worship them.

Not only is the knowledge of a supreme Being innate in every human being ever born, but so is the knowledge that there is **only one** supreme Being. This astounding fact can be demonstrated by examining the ancient civilizations. Although the Romans worshipped many gods, there was **one supreme god!** This is true of the ancient Greeks, Sumerians, and all other ancient civilizations. The ancient Egyptians even had one pharaoh who instituted the worship of **one god only!** The rest of the pantheon was scrapped.

Common sense which is innate knowledge, or knowledge implanted by God, dictates that there can be **only one** supreme Being or God. Man does not have to be taught that. 'Supreme' means *highest in rank* or *sovereign*, there can be only one who is 'highest' at any given time.

The Bible proves that mankind has a knowledge of God from two sources. We have mentioned one, *innate*. The other source is from creation.

Key

Scriptures

John 1:9. The word *every* in this text is unqualified; every human being ever born has the knowledge of God.

Romans 1:19. The word *show* in this text is again unqualified. All who deny a supreme Being (those who hold the truth in unrighteousness as stated in verse 18) have in fact this knowledge (*for God hath showed it unto them*).

Romans 1:20. Man knows the invisible God through visible creation.

Romans 2:14. God's moral law (the ten commandments) is evidence of God. The Gentiles (all non-Jews) perform the dictates of the law even though they were not given the law.

Romans 2:15. The ten commandments are engraved on the heart of man.

Genesis 1:1. Moses introduces God without any explanation. This text bears witness to Romans 1:20. Genesis 1:1 tells us that creation exists because of God; Romans 1:20 tells us that we know of God because of the fact of creation.