

# Attention grabbing!

Here is the Bible's very first sentence: “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”

Notice, **first**, the Hebrew word here translated “God” is indeed attention grabbing – it is *plural*. This therefore points to the plurality of our Creator God's personal make-up.

But, **second**, the accompanying Hebrew verb “he created” is *singular*, demonstrating that our multi-person God is a single entity.

So here in the Bible's opening words we have a clear indication of God's plurality and at the same time his singularity.

But, **third**, that's not all. On the same page God's Word clarifies even further the reality of this plurality of Persons within the Godhead.

“God said, “Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness . . .” Genesis 1.26. Can we get anything plainer than that?

God thus cleared up the question of his plurality thousands of years before disputes arose about the Trinity. He won the argument before it began!

So do we worship several Gods? No, our Creator is a single Being. “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one!” Deuteronomy 6.4.

How strange that so much disagreement arose over this very straightforward matter.

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**If God, as a Person, is complex and intricate, should that surprise us?**

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