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- **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) Family Day: Science**, Sat., Mar. 16, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). The museum is open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Cost: \$10 adults, \$9 military/AAA, \$8 seniors & students, \$6 children 3-12, free to children under 3 & museum members. RSVP & Info: 488-0880, info@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org.
 - **CASA Volunteer Informational Hour**, Tue., Mar. 19, noon-1 p.m., Cordera Community Clubhouse, 11894 Grand Lawn Circle, Colo. Springs. Find out how you can be the voice for a child who is involved in the court system due to abuse, neglect, or domestic violence. RSVP & Info: urikos@casappr.org.
 - **Tri-Lakes Community/Centura Blood Drive**, Tue., Mar. 19, 3-7 p.m., Bloodmobile at Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St., Monument. No appointment needed, just walk in. Please bring driver's license or ID. Info: 776-5822.
 - **AARP Smart Driver Course**, Thu., Mar. 21, 11:45-4 p.m., Black Forest Lutheran Church, 12455 Black Forest Rd. Non-AARP people welcome. RSVP & Info: Stephen, 597-5683.
 - **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Free Adult Mental Health First Aid**, Fri., Mar. 22, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Citizens Service Center, Third Floor Nautilus Room, 1675 Garden of the Gods Rd., Colo. Springs. This eight-hour course helps you identify, understand, and respond to signs of addictions and mental illnesses. Class size is limited and registration is required. Register online at www.mhfac.org/find-class. Info: Lynn Shull, 473-8477, volunteer@namicos.org, or info@namicos.org.
 - **Black Rose Acoustic Society: Wood Belly**, Fri., Mar. 22, 7-10 p.m. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Cost: \$10 general, \$5 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
 - **Yoga Nidra with Raleigh Dove**, Sun., Mar. 24, 4-5:30 p.m., 755 Hwy 105, Unit 22, Palmer Lake. Start your week with deep relaxation and stress release. Info: 481-4137, www.YogaPathwaysStudio.com. See ad on page 4.
 - **Solar Oven Cooking Informal Demonstrations** (by you, me, everyone), Mon., Mar. 25, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (Only if it is sunny! Otherwise, "cloudy date" would be Mar. 27), in the pavilion outside Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. You can cook without fuel or electricity. Build and bring a solar oven and share your design with us all; show the group what you can cook today. Do your own research beforehand; no formal presentation planned. Great spring break project for students. Well-insulated ovens work even if outside temperature is low. (Will repeat Apr. 7, 1-4 p.m.). Info: Text/call Lisa, 719-339-7831.
 - **Bill Nance Memorial Blood Drive**, Tue., Mar. 26, 1-5:30 p.m., Antelope Trails Elementary School, 15280 Jessie Dr. Walk-ins welcome, driver's license required. Sponsored by Gleneagle Sertoma Club. RSVP & Info: 488-9879.
 - **Yoga @ The Museum**, Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI), Thu., Mar. 28, 7-8 p.m., 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). Gentle restorative yoga lead by UpriseYoga. Ages 12+, all levels welcome. Cost: \$25 nonmembers, \$20 members. Info: 488-0880, info@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org.
 - **Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery Spring Retreat: In the Company of Courageous Women**, Sat., Mar. 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane. Cost: \$65. Online registration is requested: www.benethillmonastery.org. Info: 633-0655.
 - **The Arts at Benet Hill Monastery Chamber Concert Series, The Romantic Cello with Karen Terbeek and pianist Alix Corbo**, Sun., Mar. 31, 2:30 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane. Cost: \$20. Online registration is requested: www.benethillmonastery.org. Info: 633-0655.
 - **Wardrobes and Rings at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts**, Fri., Apr. 5, 7 p.m., doors open 6 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Wardrobes & Rings is a play set in Oxford's Eagle & Child pub. Aging and legendary authors, J.R.R. Tolkien and his great friend C.S. Lewis, meet for what turns out to be the very last time. Tick-

ets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.

- **Acoustic Eidolon Live at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts**, Fri., Apr. 12, 7 p.m., doors open 6 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.

Our community calendar carries listings on a space-available basis for Tri-Lakes events that are sponsored by local governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations. We include events that are open to the general public and are not religious or self-promotional in nature. If space is available, complimentary calendar listings are included, when requested, for events advertised in the current issue. To have your event listed at no charge in Our Community Calendar, please call (719) 339-7831 or send the information to calendar@ocn.me or P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

Content

Articles in *Our Community News* focus on the deliberations of Tri-Lakes area governmental bodies such as the Monument Board of Trustees, Palmer Lake Town Council, and many of the local water, sanitation, fire, and school district boards.

Unlike papers that try to figure out what the "story" is and then get quotes on each side to presumably lead the reader to conclude what the "truth" is, *OCN's* role is to report in detail on public meetings of local governmental entities. We report what was talked about and what was decided. By reading *OCN*, you can find out what you might have learned if you had attended those public meetings. In this context, "truth" is that the articles accurately represent what transpired at the meetings.

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- Email your letter, preferably as an attached Microsoft Word document, to editor@ocn.me or mail a copy to **Our Community News, P.O. Box 1742, Monument, CO 80132-1742.**
- Identify your submission as a letter to the editor and confirm that it has not been submitted to any other publication.
- Include a suggested headline or title that summarizes the topic you are addressing.
- Limit letters to no more than 300 words.
- Include your full name, home address, phone numbers, and email address, if you have one. Only your name will be published.
- Send your letter at least 14 days before the "first Saturday of the month" when the paper is published. Later submissions may be deferred to our next monthly issue.

If you have not received an acknowledgement two days after your email submission or one week after you mailed your letter, please contact Lisa Hatfield, Managing Editor, at (719) 339-7831 or editor@ocn.me. At *OCN's* sole discretion, letters may be edited for grammar and we may ask you for clarification of your statements. Include references, such as website links, in your letter for any facts and figures you cite. Letters containing personal attacks will not be published.

Look for our next issue Saturday, April 6

- Ad space reservations due: **Fri., Mar. 15**
- Finished ad artwork due: **Fri., Mar. 22**
- Letters to the editor due: **Fri., Mar. 22**
- Calendar items due: **Fri., Mar. 29**

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The Rabbi's Corner Right or Wrong, Part IV

In this series we have been considering the question if Messiah was right in affirming that he was God when speaking to his contemporaries. In *John 14:8-9*, he not only stated this, but he also communicated, he was the Father.

Today, I would like for us to take an in-depth look at a common understanding which affirms the Divine is: One God manifest in three persons. Let me ask you: "Should this affirmation be accepted?" It is a historical fact, that the understanding of this concept was developed by 318 bishops assembled for over two months in 325 A.D. at the city of Nicaea (Turkey) under the auspicious of Constantine the First. It was at this meeting that the concept and the word "Trinity" were birthed. Yet, this word is not found anywhere in the entire bible. We believe every word in the Bible to be the absolute truth of God, conveyed to us. So my dear reader, please help me to understand how it is that we believe the Bible to be God's inspired word of instruction and yet we uphold a concept that is in direct opposition to the words of the Lord Jesus Christ found in *Mark 12:29-34*, where he affirmed that the Lord our God is "One." Take some time, read it; his words are very unambiguous. I have researched the Bible and found several verses which are being posted here after. All of them affirm that God is "ONE." I tried to find at least one passage that would tell me that God is three in One; but I could find none. Please read the following inspired words of God for yourself as He is described:

- (1) *Deut. 4:35, 39 (2) Deut. 6:4 (3) Deut. 32:39*
- (4) *II Sam. 7:22 (5) I Kings 8:60 (6) II Kings 5:15*
- (7) *II Kings 19:15 (8) I Chron. 17:20 (9) Neh. 9:6*
- (10) *Pslm. 18:31 (11) Isa. 37:16, 20 (12) Isa. 43:10-1*
- (13) *Isa. 44:6, 8 (14) Isa. 45:21-23 (15) Isa. 46:9*
- (16) *Hos. 13:4 (17) Joel 2:27 (18) Zec. 14:9*
- (19) *Mark 12:29-34 (20) John 1:14-18 (21) John 17:3*
- (22) *Rom. 3:30 (23) I Cor. 8:4-6 (24) Gal. 3:20*
- (25) *Eph. 4:5-6 (26) Phil. 2:5-18 (27) I Tim. 1:17*
- (28) *I Tim. 2:5 (29) Exo. 3:13-15 (30) John 11:25*
- (31) *Rev. 1:8 (All References are to the Complete Jewish Bible)*

So let me leave with a question for you to consider. What are we to say that God is...?

Shalom to you.

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