Who The "Us" is of Genesis 1:26 "To The Only Wise God"

With the establishment of who God is, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, I would like to continue with our final lesson. For this we will turn to Job chapter 26.

Job

26:1 But Job answered and said,

2 How hast thou helped him that is without power? how savest thou the arm that hath no strength?

3 How hast thou counselled him that hath no wisdom? and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?

4 To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?

5 Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof.

6 Hell is naked before him, and destruction hath no covering.

7 He stretcheth out the north over the empty place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.

8 He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the cloud is not rent under them.

9 He holdeth back the face of his throne, and spreadeth his cloud upon it.

10 He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.

11 The pillars of heaven tremble and are astonished at his reproof.

12 He divideth the sea with his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud.

13 By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens; his hand hath formed the crooked serpent.

14 Lo, these are parts of his ways: but how little a portion is heard of him? but the thunder of his power who can understand?

Here Job has spoken of the Greatness of our God.

Job

27:1 Moreover Job continued his parable, and said,

2 As God liveth, who hath taken away my judgment; and the Almighty, who hath vexed my soul;

3 All the while my breath is in me, and the spirit of God is in my nostrils;

4 My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit.

5 God forbid that I should justify you: till I die I will not remove mine integrity from me.

6 <u>My righteousness I hold fast, and will not let it go</u>: my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.

7 Let mine enemy be as the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.

8 For what is the hope of the hypocrite, though he hath gained, <u>when God taketh</u> <u>away his soul?</u>

9 Will God hear his cry when trouble cometh upon him?

10 Will he delight himself in the Almighty? will he always call upon God?

11 <u>I will teach you by the hand of God</u>: <u>that which is with the Almighty will I</u> <u>not conceal.</u>

12 Behold, all ye yourselves have seen it; why then are ye thus altogether vain?

13 This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, which they shall receive of the Almighty.

14 If his children be multiplied, it is for the sword: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.

15 Those that remain of him shall be buried in death: and his widows shall not weep.

16 Though he heap up silver as the dust, and prepare raiment as the clay;

17 He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on, and the innocent shall divide the silver.

18 He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth that the keeper maketh.

19 The rich man shall lie down, but he shall not be gathered: he openeth his eyes, and he is not.

20 Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.

21 The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth: and as a storm hurleth him out of his place.

22 For God shall cast upon him, and not spare: he would fain flee out of his hand.

23 Men shall clap their hands at him, and shall hiss him out of his place.

Job

28:1 Surely there is a vein for the silver, and a place for gold where they fine it.

2 Iron is taken out of the earth, and brass is molten out of the stone.

3 <u>He setteth an end to darkness</u>, and <u>searcheth out all perfection</u>: the stones of darkness, and <u>the shadow of death</u>.

4 The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; even the waters forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are gone away from men.

5 As for the earth, out of it cometh bread: and under it is turned up as it were fire.

6 The stones of it are the place of sapphires: and it hath dust of gold.

7 <u>There is a path which no fowl knoweth</u>, and <u>which the vulture's eye hath not</u> <u>seen</u>:

8 The lion's whelps have not trodden it, nor the fierce lion passed by it.

9 <u>He putteth forth his hand upon the rock; he overturneth the mountains by the roots</u>.

10 <u>He cutteth out rivers among the rocks</u>; and <u>his eye seeth every precious thing</u>.

11 <u>He bindeth the floods from overflowing</u>; and <u>the thing that is hid bringeth he</u> <u>forth to light.</u>

12 But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of understanding?

13 Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it found in the land of the living.

14 The depth saith, It is not in me: and the sea saith, It is not with me.

15 It cannot be gotten for gold, **neither** shall silver be weighed for the price thereof.

16 <u>It cannot be valued with the gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the sapphire.</u>

17 <u>The gold and the crystal cannot equal it</u>: and the exchange of it shall not be for jewels of fine gold.

18 <u>No mention</u> shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for **the price of wisdom** is above rubies.

19 The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

20 Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding?

21 Seeing <u>it is hid from the eyes of all living</u>, and <u>kept close from the fowls of the air</u>.

22 Destruction and death say, <u>We have heard the fame thereof with our ears</u>.

23 God understandeth the way thereof, and he knoweth the place thereof.

24 For he looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven;

25 To make the weight for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.

26 When he made a decree for the rain, and a way for the lightning of the thunder:

27 Then did he see it, and declare it; he prepared it, yea, and searched it out.

28 And unto man he said, **Behold**, the **fear of the Lord**, **that is wisdom**; and <u>to</u> depart from evil is understanding.

Proverbs 1:1-8

1 The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

2 To know wisdom and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3 To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity;

4 To give subtlety to the simple, to the young man knowledge and discretion.

5 A **wise man will hear**, and **will increase learning**; and <u>a man of understanding</u> <u>shall attain unto wise counsels:</u>

6 To <u>understand a proverb</u>, and <u>the interpretation</u>; **the words of the wise**, <u>and their</u> <u>dark sayings</u>.

7 The <u>fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge</u>: but <u>fools despise wisdom</u> <u>and instruction</u>.

8 My son, <u>hear the instruction of thy father</u>, and forsake not the law of thy mother:

Proverbs 2:1-14

1 My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my commandments with thee;

2 So that thou **incline thine ear unto wisdom**, and <u>apply thine heart to</u> <u>understanding;</u>

- 3 Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;
- 4 If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

5 <u>Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD</u>, and **find the knowledge of God**.

6 For the **LORD giveth wisdom**: <u>out of his mouth cometh knowledge and</u> <u>understanding</u>.

7 He layeth up <u>sound wisdom for the righteous</u>: he <u>is a buckler to them that walk</u> <u>uprightly.</u>

8 He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.

9 Then <u>shalt thou understand righteousness</u>, and <u>judgment</u>, and <u>equity</u>; yea, **every** good path.

10 When **wisdom** <u>entereth into thine heart</u>, and **knowledge** <u>is pleasant unto thy</u> <u>soul;</u>

11 **Discretion shall preserve thee**, <u>understanding shall keep thee</u>:

12 To <u>deliver thee from the way of the evil man</u>, from <u>the man that speaketh</u> <u>froward things</u>;

13 Who leave the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;

14 Who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the frowardness of the wicked;

Proverbs 8:1-36

1 **Doth not wisdom cry**? and <u>understanding put forth her voice</u>?

- 2 She standeth in the top of <u>high places</u>, <u>by the way</u> in the places of the paths.
- 3 She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.
- 4 Unto you, O men, I call; and my voice is to the sons of man.

5 O ye simple, **understand wisdom**: and, ye fools, <u>be ye of an understanding</u> <u>heart</u>.

6 **Hear**; for <u>I will speak of excellent things</u>; and <u>the opening of my lips shall be</u> <u>right things</u>.

7 For my mouth shall speak truth; and wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

8 All the words of my mouth are in righteousness; there is nothing froward or perverse in them.

9 They are all plain to him that understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.

10 **Receive my instruction**, and <u>not silver</u>; and **knowledge** <u>rather than choice</u> <u>gold</u>.

11 For **wisdom is better than rubies**; and <u>all the things that may be desired are</u> not to be compared to it.

12 <u>I wisdom dwell with prudence</u>, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

13 <u>The fear of the LORD is to hate evil</u>: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, <u>do I hate</u>.

14 <u>Counsel is mine</u>, and sound wisdom: **I am understanding**; I have strength.

15 By me kings reign, and princes decree justice.

16 **By me** princes rule, and nobles, even all the judges of the earth.

17 I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.

18 Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.

19 My fruit <u>is better than gold</u>, yea, <u>than fine gold</u>; and my revenue <u>than choice</u> <u>silver</u>.

20 I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

21 That <u>I may cause those that love me to inherit substance</u>; and <u>I will fill their treasures</u>.

22 The **LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way**, before his works of old.

23 I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was.

24 When there were no depths, **I was brought forth**; when there were no fountains abounding with water.

25 Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:

26 While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.

27 When <u>he prepared the heavens</u>, **I was there**: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:

28 When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:

29 When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth:

30 Then I was by him, <u>as one brought up with him</u>: and I was daily his delight, <u>rejoicing always before him</u>;

31 **Rejoicing** in the habitable part of <u>his earth</u>; and my delights were with <u>the sons</u> of men.

32 Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for **blessed are they that keep my ways**.

33 Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not.

34 <u>Blessed is the man that **heareth** me</u>, <u>watching daily at **my gates**</u>, <u>waiting at the</u> **posts of my doors**.

35 For whose findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.

36 But <u>he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul</u>: all they that **hate me love death.**

Recall Proverbs

2:6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

Proverbs

3:11 My son, <u>despise not the chastening of the LORD</u>; neither <u>be weary of his</u> <u>correction</u>:

12 For <u>whom the LORD loveth he correcteth</u>; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

13 Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

14 For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

15 <u>She is more precious than rubies</u>: and <u>all the things thou canst desire are not to</u> <u>be compared **unto her**</u>.

16 Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

17 Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

18 **She is a tree of life** to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.

19 The **LORD by wisdom** <u>hath founded the earth</u>; by <u>understanding hath he</u> <u>established the heavens.</u>

20 By **his knowledge** the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

21 My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: <u>keep sound wisdom and</u> <u>discretion</u>:

22 So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

23 Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.

24 When thou liest down, <u>thou shalt not be afraid</u>: yea, thou shalt lie down, and <u>thy sleep shall be sweet</u>.

25 <u>Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked</u>, when it cometh.

26 For the **LORD shall be thy confidence**, and <u>shall keep thy foot from being</u> <u>taken</u>.

John 1:1-3

1 In the beginning <u>was the Word</u>, and <u>the Word was with God</u>, and the **Word was God**.

2 The same was in the beginning with God.

3 <u>All things were made by him;</u> and without him was not any thing made that was made.

Ephesians 3:1-12

1 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,

2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

3 How that <u>by revelation he made known unto me the mystery</u>; (as I wrote afore in few words,

4 Whereby, when ye read, <u>ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of</u> <u>Christ</u>)

5 Which in <u>other ages was not made known unto the sons of men</u>, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in <u>Christ by the gospel</u>:

7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles <u>the unsearchable riches of Christ;</u>

9 And to make all men see what is the **fellowship of the mystery**, which from the beginning of the world <u>hath been hid in God</u>, <u>who created all things by Jesus</u> <u>Christ</u>:

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church <u>the manifold **wisdom of God**</u>,

11 According to the <u>eternal purpose</u> which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:

12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

Yet Paul just said all things were made of God by Jesus Christ, and in John above it just said all things were made by God, and King Solomon, told us the Lord by Wisdom has founded the earth.

Matt 19:3-4

3 The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause?

4 And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

Now here we see Jesus Christ himself answering the Pharisees stating and referring to himself as He instead of I. Since we just read that all things were made by Jesus Christ, and the Word was God, then we would have expected Jesus to have stated his answer as, have ye not read, that I made all things in the beginning.

OR

Jesus did not answer them, Have ye not read that we made them at the beginning both male and female.

John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Notice something crucial here. The Word was not made flesh until he dwelt among us. So, when John said in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. You should have understood that the Word is God. That is why the Word was with him. He is the Word.

Genesis

1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Selah. Pause and think about it..

Recall Proverbs 3:19 19 The <u>LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth</u>; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

Here we see that King Solomon, the wisest man that ever lived, told us the LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth.

Yet Paul has told us, All things were created by Jesus Christ. Yet John said all things were made by the Word which was God. Let's read it again.

Ephesians 3:9-10

9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world <u>hath been hid in God</u>, <u>who created all things by Jesus</u> <u>Christ</u>:

10 To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,

So how can this be? Answer: God's hidden name is Jesus Christ. Recall I Cor 2:5:8 and Col 2:13-15, to better see the Wisdom of God.

I Corinthians 2:5-8

5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but <u>in the power of God</u>.
6 Howbeit <u>we speak wisdom among them that are perfect</u>: yet **not** the wisdom of this world, **nor** of the princes of this world, <u>that come to nought</u>:

7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

8 Which <u>none of the princes of this world knew</u>: for had they known it, <u>they</u> would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Here Apostle Paul has told us that he is speaking of the hidden wisdom of God, not wisdom of this world, nor of princes of this world, then he tells us that none of the princes of this world knew they were crucifying the Lord of Glory, or they would not have done it.

Colossians 2:13-15

13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and <u>took it out of the way</u>, **nailing it to his cross**;

15 And having <u>spoiled principalities and powers</u>, he made a show of them openly, triumphing <u>over them in it.</u>

To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known <u>by the church the manifold wisdom of God</u>. That Wisdom was the spoiling of Satan and the princes of this world, in which God, keeping His name secret throughout the ages, came and died on the cross and took back the keys of death and hell, declaring His name as Jesus.

To claim Jesus Christ is a 2^{nd} individual in the godhead, goes completely against this hidden Wisdom. How? Well, if the principalities and powers in heavenly places had seen Jesus as a 2^{nd} individual, then there was no Wisdom manifested to them by the Church, and also that Satan and the princes of this world would have known who Jesus the 2^{nd} individual in the godhead was and would not have crucified Him.

Recall what Paul just said in Ephesians 3:3-4

3 How that <u>by revelation he made known unto me the mystery</u>; (as I wrote afore in few words,

4 Whereby, when ye read, <u>ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of</u> <u>Christ</u>)

Here Paul is explaining to the church that no man taught him of Jesus Christ, but rather it was revealed to him by Jesus Christ. Let's read the account of what happened to Saul and how it came to pass that he received the Gospel of Christ.

The Book of Acts

9:1 And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

2 And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

3 And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and <u>suddenly there shined round</u> <u>about him a light from heaven</u>:

4 And <u>he fell to the earth</u>, and <u>heard a voice saying unto him</u>, **Saul**, <u>Saul</u>, <u>why</u> <u>persecutest thou me?</u>

5 And he said, <u>Who art thou, Lord</u>? And the Lord said, **I am Jesus** <u>whom thou</u> <u>persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks</u>.

6 And he trembling and astonished said, <u>Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?</u> And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee <u>what thou must do.</u>

7 And <u>the men which journeyed with him stood speechless</u>, <u>hearing a voice</u>, <u>but</u> <u>seeing no man</u>.

8 And <u>Saul arose from the earth</u>; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.

9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.

10 And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, <u>Behold, I am here, Lord</u>.

11 And the Lord said unto him, **Arise**, and go into the street which is called Straight, and inquire in the house of Judas for <u>one called Saul</u>, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,

12 And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

13 Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, <u>how much</u> <u>evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem</u>:

14 And <u>here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy</u> <u>name</u>.

15 But the Lord said unto him, **Go thy way**: for **he is a chosen vessel unto me**, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

16 For I will show him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

18 And <u>immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales</u>: and <u>he received</u> <u>sight forthwith</u>, and arose, **and was baptized**.

19 And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

20 And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; <u>Is not this he that destroyed them</u> <u>which called on this name in Jerusalem</u>, and <u>came hither for that intent</u>, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22 But <u>Saul increased the more in strength</u>, and <u>confounded the Jews which dwelt</u> at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

23 And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:

So what we have learned up to this point in this lesson is that Job was a Wise man of God, that King Solomon was a Wise man of God, John was a Wise man of God, and Paul also was a Wise man of God.

Thus, the hidden mystery, of all four of these separate men of God, that Paul spoke on to the Ephesians church in 3:9, stating that all things were created by Jesus Christ, was made because Paul understood that the Word of God was Wisdom, and by her, the Word which was made flesh, created He all things. If you are still uncertain on wether or not this be true. Take into account what James tells us: James 1:17-18

17 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

So how did he begat us? Of his own will (wisdom) by the Word of Truth. That Word of Truth is the Wisdom of God and the same Word that became Flesh. Thus all five of these mens' accounts that we have studied, have agreed one with the other. That common factor is the Word of God is Wisdom.

To further back this let's read another set of verses Apostle Paul spoke to the Church at Ephesus.

Ephesians 1:10 That in the dispensation of <u>the fulness of times</u> he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, <u>being predestinated according</u> to the purpose of him who worketh **all things after the counsel of his own will**:
12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

The counsel of his own will would be referring to Wisdom.

In the book of I Peter 1:7-12 we are told the prophets prophesied of the coming of the Spirit of Christ and the sufferings of Christ, and that it was revealed unto them, and now is being reported to us by the preaching of the gospel with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven. Lets read it.

I Peter 1:7-12

7 That the <u>trial of your faith</u>, being <u>much more precious than of gold that</u> <u>perisheth</u>, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

8 Whom <u>having not seen</u>, **ye love**; in whom, <u>though now ye see him not</u>, **yet believing**, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

9 <u>Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls</u>.

10 Of which <u>salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently</u>, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:

11 Searching what, or what manner <u>of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them</u> <u>did signify</u>, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

12 Unto whom <u>it was revealed</u>, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which <u>are now reported unto you by them that have preached</u> <u>the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven</u>; which things the angels desire to look into.

In the book of II Peter II Peter 1:20-21 20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

So Apostle Peter has told us that we have obtained our information from holy men of God as the Holy Ghost moved upon them. So we know that we can trust what they have told us.

Peter continues in II Peter 3:4-7 and tells us in the last days what men will be saying:

II Peter 3:4-7

4 And saying, <u>Where is the promise of his coming</u>? for since the fathers fell asleep, <u>all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation</u>.
5 For this <u>they willingly are ignorant</u> of, that **by the word of God** the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:
7 <u>But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in</u> store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

So we now have learned that Apostle Peter also has told us that by the Word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth. Now we see that Job, King Solomon, Paul, John, James, and Peter, all six of these men, agree one with another, on who was with God.

Now lets take a look at the book of Hebrews.

Hebrews 3:3-4

3 For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house.

4 For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God.

Hebrews 1:1-2

1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, **by whom also he made the worlds**;

Here again we see that all things were built by God, then we see that the worlds were made by Jesus. So this should tell you again. That Jesus is God. Now lets see from Hebrews how Jesus made the worlds.

Hebrews 11:3 3 Through faith we understand that <u>the worlds were framed by the word of God</u>, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.

So now we have learned that the Book of Hebrews also agrees with who was with God in the beginning and how it was that the world came into existence.

Recall from our last lesson what Paul tells us in Romans.

Romans 16:25-26

25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the <u>preaching of Jesus Christ</u>, according <u>to the revelation of the mystery</u>, which was <u>kept secret since the world began</u>,

26 But <u>now is made manifest</u>, and <u>by the scriptures of the prophets</u>, according to <u>the commandment of the everlasting God</u>, <u>made known to all nations for the</u> <u>obedience of faith</u>:

In conclusion.

Proverbs 2:6 For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

Knowledge: the sum of what is known

Here we see again, That the LORD gives wisdom, how?, out of his mouth comes knowledge and understanding. Thus God's spoken words, The Word, is Wisdom.

Proverbs 8:12-14

12 <u>I wisdom dwell with prudence</u>, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.

13 The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

14 Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.

Here we see that Wisdom is also understanding.

Praise be to God!

We also know the Apostles were entrusted with the gospel.

I Thes 2:4 reads,

4 But as we were <u>allowed of God to be put in trust with the gospel</u>, even so we speak; not as pleasing men, but God, which trieth our hearts.

Ephesians 1:1

11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh <u>all things after the counsel of his own will</u>:

Taking counsel with yourself is you counseling with your Wisdom, which is the body of knowledge and experience you have obtained.

Since the gospel of Jesus Christ was kept secret from the beginning of the world, Apostle Paul instructs us that we should pray for Wisdom and the revelation of who Jesus Christ is.

Eph 1:17-18

17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the <u>spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him</u>:

18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, <u>and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints</u>,

Any carnal person or child of approximately eight years old or more can read the Bible and say, Oh I see Jesus the Son of God and God the Father; so there are two, and I have read that there is a Holy Ghost, hmm, there must be three. This is whole reason that Paul has just told us to pray for wisdom and the revelation of Him. It doesn't take any wisdom, faith, studying of the Word, or revelation to conclude, when reading the New Testament, that there are three separate persons that make up the Godhead. This view is completely carnal minded.

Instead we are told that Jesus created all things and that He is the image of the invisible God.

Colossians 1:12-20

12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15 <u>Who is the image of the invisible God</u>, the firstborn of every creature:

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

18 And <u>he is the head of the body</u>, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;

20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

Listen to the wisdom Timothy and Jude, reveal to us.

I Timothy 1:17

17 Now unto the <u>King eternal</u>, <u>immortal</u>, <u>invisible</u>, **the only wise God**, be <u>honour</u> and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

I Timothy 6:14-16

14 That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ:

15 Which in his times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the <u>King of kings</u>, and <u>Lord of lords</u>;

16 <u>Who only hath immortality</u>, <u>dwelling in the light which no man can approach</u> <u>unto</u>; <u>whom no man hath seen</u>, **nor can see**: <u>to whom be honour and power</u> <u>everlasting</u>. Amen.

Jude 1:25

25 **To the only wise God our Saviour**, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and for ever. Amen.

So the Us of Genesis 1:26, has been revealed to us by all Six of these Wise men of God, and all the scriptures agree, that Wisdom is the only thing that could fulfill this.

Genesis

1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.