

# MOMENTUM YOUTH BIBLE STUDY SERIES

THE CHRONICLES OF JENIAH & URIA  
#3 - "FAMILY REUNION - PART 2"  
GOD THE FATHER





**T**he football game was about to begin. The younger cousins were anxious to square off against the older and more seasoned cousins. This year, Grandma’s dessert was up for grabs and the loser of the game had to watch while the winners ate as much as they wanted. “Hurry up old man,” one cousin yelled to one of his older cousins stretching and warming up. “That dessert is going to taste so good! I’m going to take my time and eat it in front of you one bite at a time!”

The younger generation was excited because they had Uriah, who was the newest addition to the team. He was the fastest and most athletic of the bunch. Secretly, they were on edge because the triplets, Mehari, Micah and Machai were playing this year. Each of them were extremely fit, outstanding athletes and they worked together as if they each knew what the other two were going to do before they moved: Mehari at quarterback was going to be a major problem. He could throw the length of the field, run as fast as any of the younger guys and never seemed to get tired. He played as if he was gliding across the field.

The first play of the game the older cousins ran a play where Mehari faked a pass and ran halfway down the field before getting touched. The other team looked at each other in amazement! He was sooooo fast!

Grandpa and Jeniah cheered and laughed as they watched the guys play. Somehow their conversation about the Godhead started to peak Jeniah's interest and she asked Grandpa a few more questions.

### **In this lesson we will take a closer look at God, the Father.**

1. "How did you get so smart? You seem to know everything...." Grandpa said, "I learned by asking questions, just like you are doing today." I also found this text that has helped me along the way. Proverbs 9:10 *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.*

2. How do we find out more about God? What does the Bible tell us? That's easy. The most famous text in the Bible is John 3:16 – *For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.* "God is Love!" Grandpa said.

3. "How does the Bible distinguish between the Godhead, if they are 'One'?" Jeniah asked. "Great question," Grandpa said. "Let's look at the Old Testament." Exodus 34:6,7 ...*"The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation."*

4. "I see your mind churning! The Godhead is a very unique topic, but I want you to see that the Bible also speaks of the close relationship between the Father and the Son: "God was \_\_\_\_\_, reconciling the world unto Himself." (2 Corinthians 5:19). "The sole mission of the Godhead is to save humanity from sin." Grandpa continued.

5. "Hmmm," Jeniah mused. "This is pretty intense Grandpa. How do you know so much about this? I am not sure I can wrap my mind around it all." Grandpa smiled and said, "The prophet Isaiah had to be reminded of the same thing, when he penned, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways \_\_\_\_\_ than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:8)

6. "Interesting! I never thought about God the Father like that," Jeniah replied. "I wonder what He looks like." Grandpa chuckled and said, "The disciples asked the same thing. Jesus gave them this answer, "John 14:9 - "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the \_\_\_\_\_. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Jesus and the Father are one. In fact, Jesus came to reveal what the Father was like.

Over time, due to sin, God’s character was marred and misunderstood, so God sent Jesus to demonstrate who He is and reveal His love. .

7. “In my lifetime, I’ve learned a few things about God,” Grandpa said. “I will share them with you, then we can finish watching your cousins play!

a. **God is a God of faithfulness and unconditional love.** Isaiah 41:10: “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your \_\_\_\_\_. I will strengthen you and \_\_\_\_\_ you; I will \_\_\_\_\_ you with my righteous right hand.”

b. **God is our refuge and strength.** Psalms 46:1 “God is our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, an ever-present help in trouble.”

c. **God is faithful.** Hebrews 10:23 “...for \_\_\_\_ who promised \_\_\_\_\_.”

8. “Ok, so let me get this straight...” Jeniah said. “The Godhead are a little like the triplets. God the Father is kind of like Mehari, out on the field. He’s the quarterback calling the plays and makes sure everything and everyone moves in the right direction?” “I never thought about it like that, but you may be on to something.” Grandpa replied. “They do work together and, in a sense, are a team. A scripture in Revelation says, “You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

Their conversation was interrupted by shouts of joy on the field. Mehari just threw the ball the length of the field; Maciah made a fingertip catch for a touchdown. The older cousins were up and the game was in full swing!

**The next lesson will take a closer look at God the Son.**