

**“THE WAY”
IS TOO FAR FOR THEE**

Because of Adam’s sin all men born of him are lost and destined for eternal death and hell. God could not save us as deity, He was too Great and we were too wretched. We couldn’t even utter His name, because He had no name that we could speak. And the **angel of the Lord** came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and **eat**; because the journey is too great for thee [1 Kgs 19:7].

So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep **the way** of **the tree of life** [Gen 3:24].

In 1 Kings 19:7 the Hebrew is better translated "*for the way is too far for thee*".

And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? what shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you [Exod 3:13-14].

Adam Clarke writes on Exod 3:14

. . . nothing can express his nature; therefore no name can be attributed to him. . . .

"The Way" was too far for Adam because of his sin. Jesus had to come to earth to be

"The Way" for us all, because we were lost, just like Adam.

Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life**: no man cometh unto the **Father**, but by **me** [John 14:6].

Reading in Ephesians we find the sword is the word:

And take the helmet of salvation, and the **sword of the Spirit**, which is the **word** of God: [Eph 6:17].

Also, we learn in John:

- a. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God** [John 1:1].

- b. 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 [John 1:14]**.
- c. But when the **Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the **Spirit of truth**, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me: **[John 15:26]**.
- d. Howbeit when he, the **Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into all **truth**: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come **[John 16:13]**.
- e. Sanctify them through thy **truth**: thy **word is truth [John 17:17]**.

Identity of God:

- a. **Sword** of the Spirit is the Word
- b. Word is God
- c. Word is full of truth
- d. **Holy** Spirit is Truth who guide's us into all truth
- e. Word is **Truth**

Now lets look again at John 14:6 and Genesis 3:24, after we have interchanged “he” with “Jesus” and “I AM,” and “the truth” instead of “flaming sword”.

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The way, the truth, and the life, are all attributes of Jesus who is God in the flesh. Now that Jesus has come to earth, we can now place a name to God, and identify His character, and see and touch Him.

Matthew Henry writes on John 14:6

. . . Christ [Jesus] is the way. In him God and man meet. We could not get to the tree of life in the way of innocency; but Christ [Jesus] is another way to it. . . . [emphasis added.]