Who is the True God?

Isaiah 44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God. 7 And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and set it in order for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are coming, and shall come, let them shew unto them. 8 Fear ve not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any. (Isaiah 46:9) Firstly, we must analyze who is this true God. When Moses told Pharoah to let the people of God leave Egypt, Pharoah wouldn't, because (for the Egyptians) there were many gods, and there was a fierce competition between them over who was most powerful. The Bible declares that Jehovah is the supreme God, and there is no other God.

Jehovah is Omnipresent. In order to worship "a god" as those that presume to worship death do, we have to insist that first over everything that this object of their worship can actually hear their petitions, know what is going on with those that pray to them. To hear the prayers of those who pray to this god, the god must be able to hear these prayers in any place, in any time, and under any situation. For example, Catholics pray to the Virgen Mary as if she was God. But a human being cannot understand more than one conversation at a time, perhaps two, and if millions are praying to her all at the same time, no human being can understand all of these. Those that worship riches, do so because they want riches to come into their lives. So, those who worship death want death to come "visit them" in order to take away their life? They don't think this through very well, what they are doing. They make "death" into a person because a thing like death cannot hear anybody. But God can hear and listen to us. Psalms **139:7** Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? Jeremiah 23:24 Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD. Proverbs 15:3 The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good. Equally, we must insist that "God" in whatever concept you have of Him, God is not a genie in a lamp that will concede to your whatever

vou wish without consideration of what God's will is. God is in every place, He is present, and equally he sees and perceives everything, every situation, problem, and need, but God is also all Wise, and He knows what is happening very astutely. Many times. a person is suffering for his own sins, and God is who has commanded this tribulation and suffering because of the stubborn willfulness of the person suffering! (Job 5:18; Deuteronomy 32:39) Their suffering is a punishment from God for their sins. The remedy for them is to kneel before Jehovah and humble themselves before God. But the point is very important that in all of this it is God Himself that is dealing with each person, and He is dealing with them for their sins. God wants each one to confess their sins to Him, repent of their sins, and to accept the Savior (Jesus Christ) and His salvation as the solution to their sins and problems. Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. When a person "worships god" (follows a false god with priority and energy) that isn't God Jehovah of the Bible, God is greatly enraged with that person. A "spiritual worship" here is that they honor and obey what that person or thing says, the person imagines or gives power to that that thing (a false god) offers them what the god wants (in the person's mind). Money is a good example. If a person makes money into a personal god or just leaves it as "money" but they kneel before that thing or person, it is the same. Matthew 6:24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. God's jealousy is right and just then. In the worship of whatever "god" or even with Jehovah, there is an element of fear. (Proverbs 9:10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.) Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. In other words, "to worship a god" (that is a person or even a thing), there is a giving of honor (a special place and treatment) that one gives to this "god", and that the "god" listens to you in some sense, but also fear if you do not obey that god. You see who

your God is by how he affects your life. Your hopes for remedies, solutions, blessings, etc. are on this God. You have fear and respect for this God.

Jehovah is Omnipotent. Anybody can give you a glass of water. If this is what you need or want, anybody can fulfill that need or desire. But in the context of those who worship death, we have to see that it is senseless to worship somebody that cannot really fulfill any of our wants or desires. If we well understand that Jehovah is the only Supreme Being, then we understand that He does what He wants (His own will). Psalms 115:3 But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased. While human beings and things that really don't exist as a god are presented as gods (by men rebellious to Jehovah God and don't want to obey God), God does exist, and He is all powerful (Omnipotent). The problem is 1) that the thing that we honor with our lives IF HE CAN BENEFIT US, and 2) that if it is a God that is a person, IF HE WANTS TO DO IT. Deuteronomy 32:39 See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand. The omnipotence of God is very clear in the Bible, but the will of God, if He wants to give you your request or not, is another completely different matter. God is a person, and we have to respond to Him and honor Him as God Jehovah of the Bible as being a person, and He reacts to us as we are persons, and not that He is a "thing" without His own will, like riches or a genie to just give you everything you want.

Psalms 147:4 He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names. 5 Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite. God is all wise. His understanding of us, of our world, of the situations and spiritual realities in our world is infinite.

The Angel of Death

Exodus 12:23 For <u>the LORD will pass through</u> to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, <u>the LORD</u> will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you. The context is that in the competition between who is most powerful in Egypt, their gods or Jehovah, it was Jehovah that commanded the death of all the firstborn. In order to save their firstborn, they had to kill a lamb (parallel with Jesus dying Colossians 1:15, 18) and apply its blood to their door. Now those of the <u>Santa Muerte</u> (cult of "the Holy Death") worship this same "angel of death". But again, we see that <u>it was</u> Jehovah that gave the orders in how to escape death, and it was Jehovah who sent the Angel of Death in the first place. But notice very well, that even though Moses mentioned "angel" 6 times in Exodus, and he mentions the "Angel of the Lord" (Exodus 3:2) and the "angel of God" (Exodus 14:19), he never mentions the "angel of death". Rather he says "the Lord will pass over ... " So, the idea that if you worship "the angel of death", in some way, you are going to be better off is just wrong. You must worship Jehovah God, who sends death, and this is the only way things will go better for you. There is no way to bribe God nor escape from death when God has commanded you to die on your day. But there is the case of King Hezekiah 2 Kings 20:1-5, which was pious and pleased God BEFORE his sickness, and God at times listens to the petition of such a saint. God will not unilaterally free such a person from physical death forever, but He will extend that person's life some years in this life if it is in His will.

Luke 12:5 But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him. While there are people who worship, honor, reverence, and elevate others to be gods, we must insist that the central focus must be to do this only with Jehovah, the only true God in the Bible. (Jehovah is the Trinity)

Death comes to Every Human Being

Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: God has made a time for every person to die, and the way they will die, and everything related to this is under His control, according to His will for each person individually. Our physical death is because we sin. Ezekiel 18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die ... the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. Death is a sentence or penalty that God, as Supreme Being and Judge of all humanity, gives to all that sin. If you worship the quillotine, this will not help you one bit on the day of your execution. It is the executioner of the judge and an extension of the law, the judge in your case. Really, it will not help your situation because God applies the punishment, and He makes sure everybody suffers and nobody is in any way helped. The rich man could not even get a drop of water (Luke 16:24, 25). Isaiah 38:18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for

thy truth. Death is not going to respect you for who you are. If death were to be a person, he would not be impressed with you whether you worshipped him or not. Even Satan, Lucifer, is not considered "specially for favored treatment" when he will enter hell one day. Isaiah 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven. O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! 13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: 14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. 15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. 16 They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; 17 That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners? Even Satan will not be able to liberate or alleviate the suffering of the people there. What this passage says is that in hell, nobody sentenced to this place by God will enter and have prestige, or help alleviate the suffering of anybody else there, or will be exalted. They all will kneel before God and His punishment for them because God Himself will see to it that "things will not go well for them". There will be no lightening of the sufferings. This, God is seeing to this Himself. Jeremiah 50:31 Behold, I am against thee, O thou most proud, saith the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time that I will visit thee. The point here is not that death is a person that in some way you can deceive like a fool or is not very intelligent or aware of your punishment. He is not a person you can make a deal with by worshipping him or death in general.

Mediums are Prohibited.

Isaiah 8:19 And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: <u>should not a people seek</u> <u>unto their God? for the living to the dead?</u> **20** To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them. There are two concepts we need to accept as wrong. These are mediums and communicating with the dead (necromancy). These are witchcraft plain and simple.

Don't Worship Death

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Isaiah 44:8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any. Every autumn in Mexico, and in many Catholic lands, they make food offerings on the tombs of their dead family. They honor their dead family. In oriental countries, all year round they have altars and make offerings to remember and honor their ancestors. In Mexico, there is in the culture an honoring of death in place of God. There is even a religion, a cult, the Holy Death Cult, that honors death as a god, and they worship, honor, and present offerings to death. Exodus 34:14 For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God. But God is the Supreme Being, and there is no other Supreme Being except the true God of the Bible, Jehovah, and God is jealous if we honor or kneel before any "other god." These other gods are false gods that are not the Supreme Being. They are "gods" presented by Satan so that people will not worship the True God.

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