

Ellen White Statements on Three Persons in the Godhead

The following is a compilation of statements that Ellen White made in reference to the three persons of the Godhead. As you read through these very clear statements, notice that she refers to these individuals as "persons", "powers", "authorities", "representatives", "agencies", "characters", "dignitaries", "instrumentalities", "Worthies", and "beings". This should leave no doubt that Ellen White considered each member of the Godhead to be a distinct, individual person or being, and that she considered them to be equal in their eternal existence, infinite power, and authority.

"These three all cooperate ... The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (Ms. 56, 1900)

"the three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit" (Ms. 57, 1900)

"There are three living persons of the heavenly trio ... these three great powers" (Ms. 21, 1906; SpTB07 63.2; BTS, March 1, 1906)[i]

"The three powers of the Godhead" (RH, July 18, 1907; and Ms. 141, 1907; AUCR, Oct. 7, 1907)

"these three highest powers of heaven" (Ms. 158, 1904)

"the three highest powers in/of heaven," "—in the heavenly courts," "—in the universe" (Ms. 27a, 1900; Lt. 253a, 1903; Lt. 53, 1904; Ms. 106, 1904; Ms. 108, 1904; Ms. 50, 1904; RH, May 26, 1904, Art. A; Ms. 191, 1905; ST, Aug. 16, 1905; SpTB07 51.1, 1905; Ms. 180, 1907; Ms. 61, 1907; Ms. 67, 1908; PUR, July 2, 1908; SW, Dec. 15, 1908; RH, Aug. 12, 1909)

"the three greatest powers in the heavens" (Lt. 131, 1902)

"these three great powers" and "these three great powers of heaven" (Ms. 31, 1901; RH, June 22, 1905; and GCB, April 14, 1901; Ms. 78, 1905; Lt. 32, 1907; Ms. 183, 1907; Ms. 21, 1906)

"the three great powers in/of heaven" ("in," Ms. 57, 1900; Ms. 190, 1903, July 11; Ms. 182, 1907; Ms. 37, 1908; "of," Ms. 11, 1901; ST, June 19, 1901; ST, Feb. 12, 1902; Ms. 30, 1902; Ms. 118, 1902; Ms. 136, 1903; ST, March 11, 1903; RH, May 5, 1903; Lt. 102, 1903; Lt. 129, 1903; Lt. 129, 1903; Lt. 1, 1904; 8T 254.1, 1904; Lt. 53, 1904; SW, Feb. 23, 1904; Ms. 181, 1905; Ms. 187, 1905; ST, May 10, 1905; Ms. 54, 1905; RH, June 15, 1905; Ms. 191, 1905; ST, Aug. 16, 1905; ST, May 10, 1910)

"the three great heavenly Powers" (Ms. 130, 1902; Ms. 192, 1903; Ms. 147, 1906; Ms. 186, 1907)

"the three great powers that were in the heavenly courts" (Ms. 159, 1904)

"these three great, infinite powers" who are "unitedly pledged to work in our behalf" (Ms. 144, 1901; GCB, April 4, 1901, Art. A)[ii]

"the three great personal powers, the authorities of heaven" (Lt. 205, 1901)

"the three great authorities of heaven" (Ms. 177, 1907)

“the three heavenly authorities” (Lt. 396, 1906)

“the three highest authorities of the heavenly courts—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost” (Ms. 87, 1902)

“these three representatives of heavenly authority” (Lt. 174, 1909)

“the three greatest representatives of heavenly authority” (Ms. 57, 1902)

“the three highest authorities in the universe” (Ms. 129, 1907)

“these three great agencies” (Ms. 67, 1907)

“these three great individual Agencies” (Ms. 68, 1900)

“three distinct agencies, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, work together for human beings” (Ms. 27a, 1900)

“the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are heaven’s loving, powerful agencies for the accomplishment of the work of representing God in the world” (Lt. 93, 1900)

“the three great and glorious heavenly characters” (Ms. 45, 1904)

“the three dignitaries and powers of heaven” (Ms. 85, 1901)

“the three great personal dignitaries of heaven” (Ms. 92, 1901)

“the three holy dignitaries of heaven” (Ms. 92, 1901)

“the eternal heavenly dignitaries—God, and Christ, and the Holy Spirit” (Ms. 130, 1901)

“the three great Instrumentalities of heaven” (Ms. 11, 1901)

“the three great Worthies” (Ms. 95, 1906); “the three great Worthies, the Powers in heaven” (Ms. 139, 1906) and “the three great Worthies in heaven/of heaven” (Ms. 95, 1906; Ms. 145, 1906)

“the threefold name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost/Spirit” (Ms. 27a, 1900; 6T 91.3)

“the threefold powers in the heavenly world” and “the threefold powers in heaven” (Ms. 45, 1904; and Ms. 229, 1902)

“the great threefold power” (Ms. 11, 1901; ST, June 19, 1901)

“the three holiest beings in heaven” (Ms. 95, 1906)