



James 1:1

(1) James, a bondservant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: Greetings.

2 Peter 1:2

(2) Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord,

1 John 1:3

(3) that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship *is* with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:7

(7) To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called *to be* saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:3

(3) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 1:2

(2) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Galatians 1:3

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(3) Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ,

Ephesians 1:2

(2) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2

(2) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Colossians 1:2

(2) To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ *who are* in Colosse: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 1:1

(1) Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 1:2

(2) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Timothy 1:1-2

(1) Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ, by the commandment of God our Savior and the Lord Jesus Christ, our hope, (2) To Timothy, a true son in the faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

Titus 1:4

(4) To Titus, a true son in *our* common faith: Grace, mercy, *and* peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Savior.

[Philemon 1:3](#)

(3) Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Adherents of the [Trinity doctrine](#) assert that the [Holy Spirit](#) is a personality alongside the Father and the Son. Yet, when the apostles—especially Paul—referred to the [God Family](#) in their epistles, why is mention of the Holy Spirit almost totally absent ([James 1:1](#); [II Peter 1:2](#); [I John 1:3](#); [Romans 1:7](#); [I Corinthians 1:3](#); [II Corinthians 1:2](#); [Galatians 1:3](#); [Ephesians 1:2](#); [Philippians 1:2](#); [Colossians 1:2](#); [I Thessalonians 1:1](#); [II Thessalonians 1:2](#); [I Timothy 1:1-2](#); [II Timothy 1:2](#); [Titus 1:4](#); [Philemon 1:3](#))?

Where is the Holy Spirit? Is James not a servant of the Holy Spirit ([James 1:1](#))? Is he a servant only of God and of [Jesus Christ](#)? What about "knowledge of the Holy Spirit" in [II Peter 1:2](#)? Is there no "[fellowship](#) with the Holy Spirit" in [I John 1:3](#)? Why do the apostles ignore it?

They include a greeting from the Father and the Son in each of these letters, but there is no greeting from the Holy Spirit. This was inspired by God! Is it possible that this is evidence that there is no other personality? Little by little, it keeps adding up. We need to see this with our own eyes—the Holy Spirit is *ignored* every time the God Family is mentioned. Father and Son—yes. Holy Spirit—no.

With a few variations in words, every apostle ignores the Holy Spirit. Would it not be gross insubordination for them to recognize two in the highest offices in the universe and totally ignore the third? They did this because they did not know the Holy Spirit as a personality within the God Family because ***Jesus taught them no such thing***. The Holy Spirit is *the power* God uses to direct and carry out His purposes within His creation.

— John W. Ritenbaugh

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