

There can be only one. Sept 26, 2014

There are many verses in the bible that are hard to understand. 1 Timothy 2:5 isn't one of them.

1 Timothy 2:5 states that there is only **1 mediator** between **God** and **man**. Do you believe this statement? If a someone posed a question and asked you: "to whom do you pray to?"



What would you say? Would you say that you pray to a "saint" or "Mary" and also Jesus? Read 1Tim2:5 again: **ONE MEDIATOR BETWEEN GOD AND MAN.**

KJV 1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and **one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;**

What is a mediator? According to the concordance for mediator (#3316) the definition is **1) a go between, 2) a reconciler, 3) one who intervenes between two, 4) arbitrator.**

—Thayer's (New Testament Greek-English Lexicon)

From **G3319**; a *go between*, that is, (simply) an *internunciator*, or (by implication) a *reconciler* (*intercessor*):—mediator.

—Greek Word Study (Transliteration-Pronunciation Etymology & Grammar)

- 1) **one who intervenes between two**, either in order to make or restore peace and friendship, or form a compact, or for ratifying a covenant
- 2) a medium of communication, **arbitrator**

<pasted from: <http://lexiconcordance.com/greek/3316.html>>

Mediator is used in 6 other places of the New Testament: Galatians 3:19, 20. 1 Timothy 2:5. Hebrews 8:6; 9:15; 12:24. The mediator is the only conduit between death and life.

New American Standard Bible (NASB ©1995) Gal3:19

— Why the Law then? It was added because of transgressions, having been ordained through angels by the agency of **a mediator**, until the seed would come to whom the promise had been made.

New American Standard Bible (NASB ©1995) Gal3:20

— Now **a mediator** is not for one [*party only*]; whereas God is [*only*] one.

New American Standard Bible (NASB ©1995) Heb 8:6

— But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, by as much as He is also **the mediator of a better covenant**, which has been enacted on better promises.

New American Standard Bible (NASB ©1995) Heb 9:15

— For this reason He is **the mediator of a new covenant**, so that, since a death has taken place for the redemption of the transgressions that were [*committed*] under the first covenant, those who have been called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

New American Standard Bible (NASB ©1995) Heb 12:24

— and to Jesus, **the mediator of a new covenant**, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than [*the blood*] of Abel.

The new covenant that we are baptized into has only ONE MEDIATOR that being Jesus Christ as 1Tim2:5 states. Praying or seeking help from any other name/person/saint is a waste of time because they have not been given any authority to act as a mediator. ONLY JESUS CHRIST has been given the power and authority to be the mediator.

The mediator will be the only one standing between you and the Father on judgment day and the mediator will be the only one to plead your cause to say that you are sinless because you have been washed by the blood of Christ by total water immersion for the forgiveness of sins in the name of Jesus Christ.

KJV Ephesians 1:7 In whom **we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins,** according to the riches of his grace;

KJV 1 Peter 3:21 The like figure whereunto even **baptism doth also now save us** (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

KJV Galatians 3:27 For as many of you as have been **baptized into Christ have put on Christ.**

KJV Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, **Repent, and be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ **for the remission of sins,** and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

I went to a grade school called Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH for short). Mary can't save you. Dead saints can't save you. Jesus is our only help as Psalms 33:29 and 124:8 state (double witness).



KJV Psalms 33:20 Our soul waiteth for **the Lord: he is our help** and our shield.



KJV Psalms 124:8 **Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

The Lord (Jesus) made the heaven and the earth. Did anyone else make the heaven and the earth besides Jesus Christ who was called YHWH, I AM, and ELOHIM in the Old Testament? No.

Christians must use the bible at all times to verify that their actions are according to the bible. Act 17:11 said that the noble minded Christians verified in the scriptures what someone was telling them – so they would not be tricked or fooled.

KJV Acts 17:11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they **received the word with all readiness of mind,** and **searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.**

The bible, the word of God, is truth. It gives light in darkness as Ps119:105 & 130 say. If you want understanding then open the bible and read God's word.



KJV Psalms 119:105 **Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,** and a light unto my path.

KJV Psalms 119:130 **The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding** unto the simple.

KJV Psalms 119:83-84

What do you find in the bible? Statues, judgments, commandments, precepts, testimony, ordinances, law. These 7 items give one a strong foundation and if grounded in truth then one will not be easily moved. These 7 items give discernment of good and evil, truth and lies.

KJV Psalms 119:83,84, 86-88, 91-93

83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; yet do **I not forget thy statutes.**

84 How many are the days of thy servant? when wilt thou **execute judgment** on them that persecute me?

86 **All thy commandments are faithful:** they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.

87 They had almost consumed me upon earth; but **I forsook not thy precepts.**

88 Quicken me after thy lovingkindness; so shall **I keep the testimony of thy mouth.**

91 They continue this day according **to thine ordinances:** for all are thy servants.

92 Unless **thy law had been my delights,** I should then have perished in mine affliction.

93 I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me.

One become wiser by reading the commandments (Ps119:98) and get understanding by reading the precepts (Ps119:104).

KJV Psalms 119:98 Thou through **thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies:** for they are ever with me.

KJV Psalms 119:104 Through **thy precepts I get understanding:** therefore I hate every false way.

There can be only truth – and that is Jesus as it's stated in Jn14:6. Jesus also stated in that verse that is the only mediator to the Father. By no other name/person/saint will a person be able to gain access to the Father or to gain eternal life.

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

Choose to pray to Jesus Christ – He is the only one who can save you or answer your prayers.