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Since the dawn of Christianity, there has been debate about the true nature of Jesus Christ. Was he a divinely inspired person or the incarnation of God on earth?

In his short work *The Lord*, Swedenborg presents an answer to the time-honored question of how Jesus and God are related: he argues that they became in every way one and the same. Throughout his works Swedenborg uses the term “Lord” to refer to Jesus as the embodiment of God. In this work he emphasizes that the traditional trinity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit should be thought of not as three separate divine Persons that have always coexisted but as three aspects now present within one divine Person—Jesus in his resurrection.

The Lord also touches upon key themes in Swedenborg’s theology: the spiritual reasons why the Lord came to earth; the significance of the death and resurrection of his human form; and the ways in which his coming was foretold in the Old Testament. Throughout the book, Swedenborg provides extensive biblical references to support his arguments. He concludes with a brief chapter describing the New Jerusalem, a reference to both the city described in the book of Revelation and the new spiritual age that is now unfolding.

The Lord is part of the New Century Edition of the Works of Emanuel Swedenborg (NCE), an ongoing translation series. The NCE series incorporates the latest scholarship and translation standards for a more accurate and accessible rendering of Swedenborg’s works. Traditionally titled *The Doctrine of the Lord*, this short work is often published together with three other short works—*Life, Faith, and Sacred Scripture*—under the title *The Four Doctrines*. The Swedenborg Foundation will publish these four titles together in the forthcoming NCE hardcover annotated volume *The Shorter Works of 1763*.

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A deeper understanding of the Word and the Lord

Recommended reading if you are following this author

Very enlightening and full of learning

Jonathan Widell says

I was reading Swedenborg's book to pass the time on the bus and could not let it go anymore. I found myself agreeing with this writer that I had never encountered before on perhaps all the points and admiring the way he pulls different scriptures, i.e. the Christian Bible passages, together. And not only that but he also shows that the (in)famous Athanasian creed conforms with his teaching provided you understand the Trinity to be within one person! Exhilarating. For anyone who knows the Bible, this is a very good and a very quick read that I found to be worth every minute.
