

Dear Tamara,

Thank you for writing us at Christian Questions Radio. You asked who the “US” consisted of in the Genesis 1:26 scripture, “Let us make man in our image.”

We believe the “us” refers to God and his first creation, the Word, who would later come to earth in the form of the man, Jesus, to redeem humankind. “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God; the Word also was a god [a mighty one].” (John 1:1 RVIC) Jesus is often called the Word because God reveals his word, plan or purpose through him. We believe that Jesus was God’s only direct creation. All the rest of the creation (angels, universes, the earth and humankind) was done by God through Jesus. “All things were made through him; and without him was not anything made that hath been made.” (John 1:3 RVIC) God was the architect, but Jesus was the builder. Confirming the supremacy of Christ, the Apostle Paul states, “He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.” (Colossians 1:15-16)

Who is the “US” in “Let us make man in our image”? We believe the “US” consists of God and his only begotten Son, Jesus. We hope we have answered your question. Please write us again.

For an in-depth study of this topic, go to our web page at: www.christianquestions.net and click on Topic #408 (July 9, 2006), “Was Jesus God on Earth?”

Sincerely,
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