

LETTER 51 1966 IS MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD?

Dr MacRae was asked to comment on a tract published by Osterhus Publishing House (Protestant) entitled, "Blessed Mary".

It stated: Blessed Mary was not the "Mother of God." In the first place, God has no mother or father. The Godhead was eternally existent. Jesus came to earth as God's Son. God through the virgin Mary furnished Jesus with a physical body. She became the vehicle that God, the Father, used to bring the physical body into being, to "clothe the Spirit," which was God's Son. The Bible says in Hebrews 10:5, "A body Thou hast prepared for Me."

The Lord Jesus Christ never called Mary His mother: He called her "woman." Christ was begotten of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary. She became the mother of the physical or earthly body only.

It wasn't God the Father who took on flesh to dwell among us: it was Jesus Christ, the Son.

Mary, therefore, is not the "Mother of God," but the bearer and caretaker of the physical body of God's Son while He was on earth only.

Truly the virgin Mary was favored and blessed to be chosen to bring forth the earthly body of our wonderful Saviour Jesus Christ.

In Matthew 12:50, Jesus Christ said, "For whosoever shall do the will of (God)my Father which is in Heaven, the same is My brother and sister and mother."

Dr MacRae writes:

I am glad that you sent me the little tract. It is a fine illustration of the importance for Christian work of having a real theological