

FUNDAMENTAL BIBLE BELIEFS

LET'S STUDY TOGETHER
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FUNDAMENTAL BELIEF 1: THE WORD OF GOD

The Bible is God's revelation of the unique God-Man: the Son of God, Jesus Christ – the Savior of the world. The Word of God, both Old and New Testament is God's special revelation of Himself to us, leaving no question about His character of love. God, in the person of the Holy Spirit wrote the scriptures. He wrote them, not with His hands, but with about 40 pairs over a period of about 1500 years. And since God the Holy Spirit inspired the writers, God, then, is its Author!

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Exod 6:7
3 The sea saw it, and fled; Jor'-dan was driven back.
Exod 14:21; Ps. 11:16
4 The mountains skipped like rams.

the Lord: he is their help and their shield.
12 The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Is'-ra-el, he will bless the

Lord before the living.
Ps. 27:13
11 I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly afflicted.
11 I said in my haste, All men are

say that his mercy endureth for ever.
5 I called upon the Lord in distress: the Lord answered me, and set me in a large place.
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Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

How did God reveal Himself in the past and how does He reveal Himself in these last days?

Hebrews 1:1,2



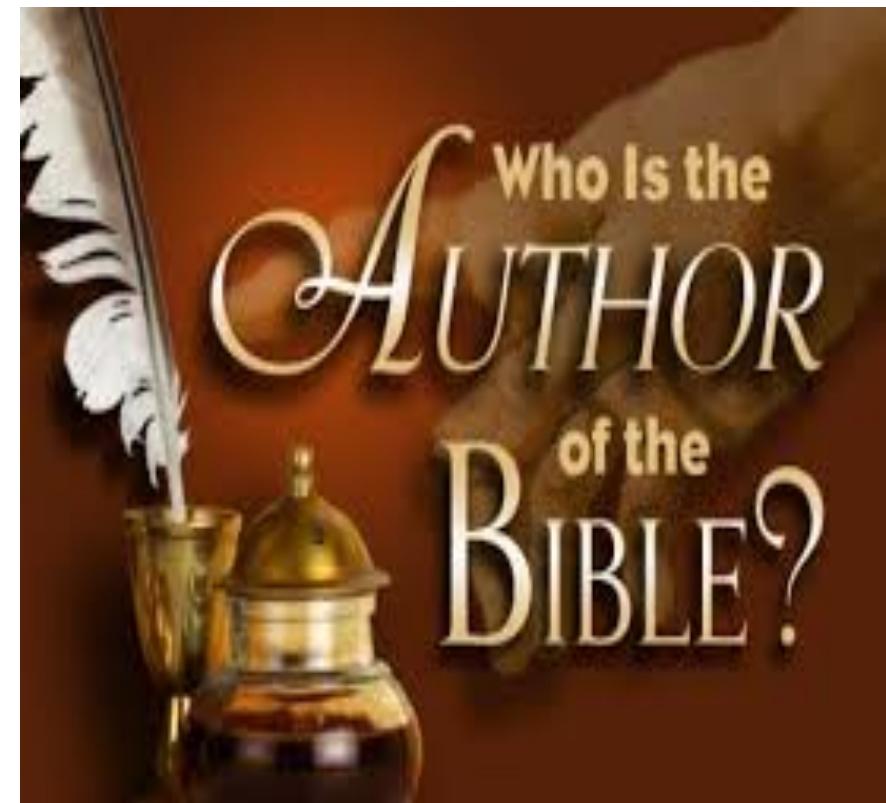
Who is the focus of the Bible?

John 17:3; Ephesians 4:21

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

Who is the Author of the Bible?

**Nehemiah 9:30; Zech.7:12;
2 Sam.23:2; Eze.2:2; 11:5,24;
1 Peter 1:10, 11;
Rev.1:10; Acts 28:25**



Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

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**2 Tim.3:16;
Matt.12:39-41; 19:4-6; 24:37-39**

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

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God inspired men not words. What was the process of inspiration? The writers of the Bible were God's penmen not His pen. The Bible, then, is divine truth expressed in human language

**2 Peter 1:21;
1 Cor.14:32.**

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

The Bible and Divine and human combined just as it has said of Christ.

John 1:14

All the writers of the Bible were men of sinful natures needing God's grace daily!

Psalms 51; Rom.3:12; Luke 23:56; Mark 16:1,2,9

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

The ultimate role of the Bible is to lead us to Jesus,
Salvation and Eternal Life.

Do You Agree?

**Luke 1:4;
John 20:31;
Luke 10:26**

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

The Scriptures have divine authority because in them God speaks through the Holy Spirit. The Bible is thus the written word of God.

Where is evidence of this claim?

Jer.1:1,2,9; Ezekiel 1:3, 2:4; Isa;7:7;
Matt:1:22; 2 Peter 3:15,16;
Gal.1:12; 1 Tim.5:18;
Luke 10:7

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

What was Jesus stand on the authority of scripture?
Scriptures revealed Jesus Christ!

Matt.4:4,7,10; Luke 20:17,26;
Mark 7:7-9; Matt. 21:42,
Mark 12:10,26;
John 5:39,46; Luke 24:25-27.

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

The Holy Scriptures and the Holy Spirit can never be separated. The Holy Spirit is both the author and revealer of Biblical truth.

Matt.16:13-17; 1 Cor.12:3;
1 Cor 2:11,12; 2 Tim.3:16.

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

The Bible is superior to all human wisdom and literature. It must never be subjected to human norms including science. **Isa 8:20.**

The Old and New Testament are one, as God is one!

The Old Testament serves as the foundation for the
New. Amen

Fundamental Belief 1: The Word of God

Are you willing to search God's Word and become acquitted with the Lord Jesus Christ?

My answer: _____

FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS 2: THE GOD HEAD

There is one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a unity of three co-eternal Persons. God is immortal, all powerful, all-knowing, above all, and ever present. He is infinite and beyond human comprehension, yet known through His self-revelation. He is forever worthy of worship, adoration, and service by the whole creation. Hallelujah!

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Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

When people talk about the “Godhead,” they often use the term “Trinity” in reference to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The term “Trinity” is however not in the Bible.

The term “Godhead” is used **three times** in the Bible:

Acts 17:29

Romans 1:20

Colossians 2:9

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

There is only ONE God.

**Deut.6:4; Isa.46:9; Exo 20:3;
Mark 12:29-32; 1 Cor 8:4,5;
1 Cor 8:6; Eph.4:4-6; 1 Tim 2:5**

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

While the scriptures are clear that there is one God, there is Plurality Within the Godhead. There are Three Persons of God

Gen.1:26; Gen.3:22; 11:7

Various references distinguishes the Spirit of God from God.

Gen. 1:1-2; Isa.48:16

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

The Godhead consists of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, a unity of three co-eternal persons.

In the New Testament each of them is referred to as “God” and they all share the characteristics of God

1 Peter 1:17

Hebrews 1:8

Acts 5:3-4

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

The characteristics of God

Eternality – God has no beginning and no end – **Psalms 90:2**

Immutability – God is unchanging - **Malachi 3:6**

Omnipotence – God is all-powerful – **Genesis 17:1**

Omniscience – God is all-knowing – **Psalm 139:1-4**

Omnipresence – God present everywhere – **Psalm 139: 7-8**

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

In the creation they were all present;

**Gen 1:1,2;
John 1; 14:1-3**

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

In the creation of man “God” includes more than one person.

“Us” does not include angels. We know this because man was made *“in the image of God”* – not in the image of angels.

Gen 1:26,27

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

After the fall of Adam and Eve, again, the plural pronoun “Us” is used for God.

Gen 3:22



Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

In scattering the people at Babel, “*The Lord*” is referenced using the plural pronoun “*Us.*”

Gen 11:5-8

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

The prophecy of Christ's reign

Psalms 110:1

The Hebrew writer quoted this passage and emphasized the fact that the Lord was not referring to *angels*

Heb. 1:13

Instead, this is about the Father and the Son

Heb. 1:5

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Isaiah's commission

Isaiah 6:8

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Though the concept of the “Trinity” can be seen in the Old Testament, there were not many details given as we have seen.

However, the New Testament reveals this concept more completely, providing us with additional information about the three distinct persons of God.

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

At the baptism of Jesus, all 3 persons of the Godhead were present. The voice from heaven was that of the Father. Distinct from Him was Jesus who was *“being baptized”* and the Holy Spirit who was *“descending as a dove.”*

Matt.3:16,17;



Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

In the Great Commission, Jesus indicated that those who would be His disciples were to be baptized in the name of the Three persons – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Matt.28:19

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Sending “**The Helper**” to the apostles. As Jesus gave this promise to His apostles, He clearly articulated the fact that the Father, the Spirit, and Himself were three distinct persons.

John 15:26

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

The closing of Paul's second letter to Corinth.

In closing his epistle, Paul highlighted certain blessings we have from God. In doing so, he emphasized each person of the Godhead.

2 Corinthians 13:14

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Part of our “platform” for unity

Paul mentions all three persons of deity

Ephesians 4:4-6

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Their work in the scheme of redemption.

Peter explained that all three persons of the Godhead each had their own role in our salvation.

Ephesians 4:4-6

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Jude's admonition

Like Paul in his second letter to Corinth, Jude closed his letter by mentioning certain benefits we derive from each person of God.

Jude 20-21

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

The opening of the book of Revelation

John described one who was eternal, the Spirit, described as “*the seven Spirits*”), and Jesus Christ.

The one “*who is and who was and who is to come*” referred to as God the Father.

Revelation 1:4-5

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Some people claim that Jesus is the only person of God. Yet He plainly stated that He was distinct from
the Father

John 8:17-18

John 15:1

Matthew 24:36

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Jesus also made it clear that He was distinct from the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 12:32

The consequences for speaking against Jesus and the Holy Spirit were different, clearly indicating that Jesus and the Holy Spirit were two different persons

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Looking at the cross, we gaze into the Heart of God for there He poured out love for us. Jesus hung there as God's gift and our substitute, There Christ became ours

I Cor. 1:30

The only true God is the God of the cross. From here He calls us to be reconciled with HIM.

Phil. 4:7

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Christ is the mediator between God and us, thus unites us to the Godhead. Jesus is

“The Way, The Truth, and The Life.”
John 14:6.

Christianity is Christ. We find in Him the core, content, and context for ALL Truth and Life.

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit form the Trinity.

All three members of the Godhead loves one another and have special relationship

1 John 4:8



Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

While God is made up of three Persons, God is
United in one purpose in saving the world

John 3:16,17

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Conclusion

The Scriptures teach that there is one God and three distinct persons of God – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They have worked together in order to make our salvation possible. Therefore, it is important that we understand and appreciate the roles that each one fulfilled in making eternal life available to us.

1 Peter 1:2

Fundamental Belief 02: The God Head

Are you willing to accept this one true God who became man to die for us

My answer: _____

FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS 3: GOD THE FATHER

God the eternal Father is the Creator, Source, Sustainer, and Sovereign of all Creation. He is just and holy, merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. The qualities and powers exhibited in the Son and the Holy Spirit are also revelations of the Father.

God the Father is frequently misunderstood. Many are aware of Christ's mission to earth for the human race and of the Holy Spirit's role within the individual, but what has the Father done with us? Is He a God of vengeance? The absentee landlord? Let's study together



Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

The God of both Old and New Testament is same. Although the Old Testament alludes to the Persons of the Godhead, it does not distinguish among them.

Heb.1:1,2

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

The New Testament makes it clear that Christ, God the Son,
was the active agent in creation

John 1:1-3,14;
Col.1:16

And that He was the God who led Israel out of Egypt

1 Cor.10:1-4;
Exo.3:14; John 8:58

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

The Old Testament describes the Father as being a God of Mercy.

Exo.34:6,7;
Heb.10:26,27

But, NO sinful human being has ever seen God.

Exo.33:20

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD IS OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN AND WE ARE HIS CHILDREN.

Just like human parents love their children, so God loves us.

But unlike our earthly parents' love, His love is perfect. He loves you even more than your earthly parents ever could!

It's incredible to think the God of the universe—the One who created all things—would call us His children. And yet,
that's what the Bible tells us!

1 John 3:1

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD IS A FATHER TO THE FATHERLESS.

It's a sad reality in our sinful world that some people are without an earthly father who loves and protects them the way he should. If you have a father who has wounded your soul, you can rest assured your Father in Heaven will never disappoint you. God's love is perfect and His grace and mercy never runs out.

Psalms 68:5; 1 John 4:18

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD IS THE FATHER OF JESUS.

Not only is God the Father your Heavenly Father, He is also the Father of Jesus. According to the Bible, God loved us so much that He sent His Son Jesus to die for us.

John 3:16;

And we see that Jesus called God His Father, *Abba*, which means “father” in Aramaic.

Mark 14:36.

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD IS THE CREATOR AND SUSTAINER OF LIFE

In the beginning God created Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. God formed humans in His own image, setting us apart from any other living thing on earth. It's true we don't know what God looks like. So His image is defined by who He is. He bestows some of His key attributes upon us. This means we are intelligent, conscious beings with the ability to choose our own actions and allegiances.

Acts 17:28; Genesis 1:27;
Colossians 1:16, Psalms 33:9

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father is a GOD OF MERCY. God demonstrated His character by His gracious acts and by the word picture He proclaimed to Moses in

Exo. 34:6,7;

He asked Moses that Israel build Him a sanctuary that He may dwell among them. **Exo.25:8**

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father is a PERSONAL AND LOVING GOD interested in His people's concerns. He makes and keeps His Covenant with His children

Gen.9:1-17;

Gen.12:1-3.

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father is a REDEEMER GOD. As God of the Exodus, He miraculously led a nation of slaves to liberty. He will do the same for us.

Psalms 8:3,4;

Psalms 18:1,2

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father is a GOD OF REFUGE. God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Psalms.46:1; 27:5;

Psalms 125:2; 55:22;

Psalms 62:8; 86:15.

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father is a GOD OF FORGIVENESS. After his sins of adultery and murder, David earnestly entreated the Lord for forgiveness.

Psalms 51:1,11.

He was comforted by the assurance that God is wonderfully merciful.

Psalms 103:11-14

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father in the New Testament – God the father of Jesus Christ – God of all creation.

I Cor 8:6; John 1:17;

The Father of all Believers;

Rom.8:15,16;

Jesus reveals the Father;

John 1:18; 6:38; 14:9.

To know Jesus is to know the Father.

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

A GOD WHO GIVES. We see His giving at Creation, at Bethlehem, and at Calvary. The cross reveals as nothing else can the truth about the Father.

John 3:16; 2 Cor.5:21.

He is a God of love.

Luke 6:35,36; Rom 2:4.

Three (3) parables portray God's loving concern for lost humanity. **Luke 15** – the lost sheep, lost coin and the prodigal son.

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD CARES FOR US

God is attentive to our every thought, our every need, our every desire. He knows the number of hairs on our heads Luke 12:7, He knew us even before we were born Jeremiah 1:5. He even knows what's bothering us before we pray about it - Matthew 6:8.

He doesn't want us to be anxious or afraid. He has promised to care for us so we can go through life without fear. That's why He asks us not to worry about our lives:

Matthew 6:25,26; 1 Peter 5:7

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD PROTECTS US

We live in a sinful world. When humanity made the choice in the Garden of Eden to know both good and evil, the world became as it is today. Good and evil surround us, and the consequences of our choices play out. But even so, God offers us His protection. He is our “*refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble Psalm 46:1.*

Whatever obstacles you face in your lifetime, you can be assured that God will never forsake you

Deut. 31:6 . Isaiah 41:10

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

GOD DISCIPLINES US

Just like earthly parents need to lovingly discipline their children, God also disciplines His children. It's not something any of us enjoy. No one likes being corrected! But being disciplined is in our best interest.

Proverbs 3:11,12;
Hebrews 12:3-11

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

HOW GOD RELATES WITH US, HIS CHILDREN

God the Father desires to have a relationship with each one of us. He loves His children with an everlasting love and He wants to spend time with you.

Just imagine, the God of the universe doesn't just want you to know *about* Him—He wants you to *know* Him!

Fundamental Belief 03: God The Father

God the Father promises to help us:

When we're afraid. **Psalm 34:4**

When we're worried. **Philippians 4:6-7**

When we need healing. **Psalm 41:3**

When we need forgiveness. **1 John 1:9**

When we need wisdom. **James 1:5**

When we feel lonely. **Psalm 25:16**

When we're brokenhearted. **Psalm 147:3**

FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS 4: GOD THE SON

God the eternal Son became incarnate in Jesus Christ. Through Him all things were created, the character of God is revealed, the salvation of humanity is accomplished, and the world is judged. Forever truly God, He became also truly man, Jesus the Christ. He was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He lived and experienced temptation but did not fall into sin. He suffered and died voluntarily on the cross for our sins, was raised from the dead and ascended to minister in the heavenly sanctuary in our behalf. He will come again in glory for the final deliverance of His people and the restoration of all things. Amen!



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son



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God the Son, the incarnate came into this earth to bring salvation to humanity just like the bronze serpent in the wilderness.

Numbers 21:9; John 3:14,15.

He became sin, taking upon Himself all the sins of everyone who has lived or will live.

2 Cor.5:21.

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

The plan to save man was laid way before the foundation of the world and Jesus offered to die for sinful man to bring us back to God.

1 Peter 1:20,21; Gen 3:15.

Both Jesus and Satan would be scathed in the controversy between good and evil! But victory would be for God's Son!

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus birth was miraculous.

Matt.1:18-23.

A Roman decree brought her to Bethlehem, the predicted birth place. **Luke 2:4-7.**

One of His names was Immanuel “**God with Us**”

Matt.1:23.

His common name, Jesus, focused on His mission of salvation. **Matt.1:21**



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Many however rejected Jesus and did not recognize
Him as Savior of the world.

John 1:11; Luke 23:18.

Toward the end of Jesus's 3 1/2 year ministry He
was betrayed by His disciple for 30 pieces of silver.

John 13:18; 18:2; Matt.26:14-16;

He was crucified and died. **Luke 23:14,15**



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

The incarnation of God the Son is a mystery.

1 Tim 3:16.

In trying to comprehend the incarnation, how the Creator of the worlds became a helpless babe in a manger and to wear the garb of humanity! It is well to remember

Deut.29:29



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus Christ is truly God. Let's look at some of the attributes of His divinity. He is omnipresent
Matt.28,20; John 17:2; Matt.18:20

but now represented by the Holy Spirit.
John 14:16-18

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus has immutability. **Heb.13:8**

He is self-existence **John 11:25;**

He is holy even demons testify; **Mark 1:24.**

He is love **1 John 3:16.**

He is eternal **John 1:2,3;**

He is the Creator and Sustainer **Col 1:16,17**

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus' name testifies of his divine nature. Immanuel

Matt 1:23.

Both believers and demons referred to His as the Son of

God **Matt.8:29; Mark 1:1; 5:7.**

He is also LORD of hosts

John 12:41

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus Himself claimed equality with His Father. **John 8:58.**
He called God My Father instead of “our father”

John 10:30.

And Jesus Himself revealed God His Father as being one
with Him

John 14:9.

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus was worshipped as God by both people and angels. **Phil.2:10,11; Heb. 1:6.**

Christ reconciled humanity to God.

John 1:14,18: John 17:6.

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son



Jesus Christ is Truly Man. The Bible testifies that in addition to His divine nature, Christ has a human nature.

I John 4:2,3.

The acceptance of this belief is crucial. Evidence for His humanity

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

His human birth.

John 1:14; Gal 4:4; Phil.2:7,8.

This manifestation of God in human nature is “the mystery of godliness .

1 Tim 3:16.

Jesus was born of the seed of David **Rom 1:3; 9:5** and is also called the Son of Mary a virgin and conceived of the Holy Spirit. **Mark 6:3.**

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

His human development.

Luke 2:40,52.

At the age of 12 He became aware of His divine mission.

Luke 2:46-49.

Throughout His childhood He was subject to His parents

Luke 2:51.

Yet though He experienced development, He did not sin.

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

He was called a “man.” John the Baptist, Peter and Paul refer to Jesus as a Man.

John 1:30; Acts 2:22; Rom.5:15; I Tim 2:5

Christ refers to Himself as a Man

John 8:40; Matt.8: 20; 26:2.



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

His human characteristics. Jesus was flesh and blood
Heb. 2:14,17.

He was made a little lower than the angels.

Ps 8:5; Heb. 2:9.

He was hungry, thirsty, tired, and anxious. He even wept.
He experienced death **John 19:30**

and was resurrected with a body. **Luke 24:36-43**

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus Christ took human nature with all its liabilities,
including the possibility of yielding to temptation
Heb.4:15 but He did not fall for He depended on His
Father 100%.

Our victory over temptation comes from maintaining
dependence upon Him. **I Cor 10:13.**



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Jesus took on the human nature so that: He can be our High priest or mediator between God and man.

Heb.4:14-16

To reach people where they are and rescue the most hopeless. **Phil 2:7;**

To be our example.

John 16:33; 13:15; 1 Peter 2:21



Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

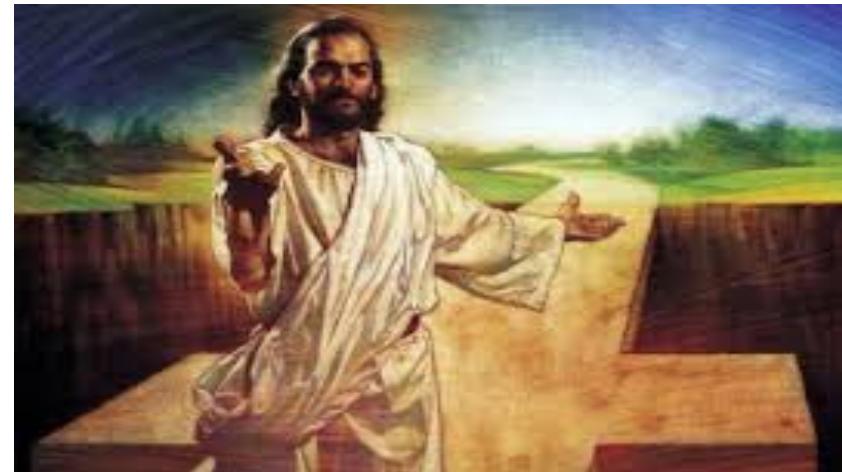
Jesus Christ is “one in nature, in character, in purpose” with God the Father. He truly is God!

John 14:9

Fundamental Belief 04: God The Son

Have you accepted Jesus as the Son of God and Son of Man as the Savior and Lord of your life?

My answer: _____



FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS 5: GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT

God the eternal Spirit was active with the Father and the Son in Creation, incarnation and redemption. He inspired the writers of Scripture. He filled Christ's life with Power. He draws and convicts human beings; and those who respond He renews and transforms into the image of God. Sent by the Father and the Son to be always with His children, He extends spiritual gifts to the church, empowers it to bear witness to Christ, and in harmony with the Scriptures leads us into all truth. Amen!



Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit



FUNDAMENT BELIEFS



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Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

Who Is the Holy Spirit?

The Bible reveals that the Holy Spirit is a person and not an impersonal force. Christ also spoke of Him as a distinct person.

Scriptures also refer to the Spirit as a person.

Acts 15:28; John 16:14;
Mathew 28:19; 2 Cor. 13:14.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is truly God!

Scriptures views the Holy Spirit as God. Peter told Ananias that, in lying to the Holy Spirit, He had lied to not “to men but to God” **Acts 5:3.4.** Jesus defined the unpardonable sin as “*blasphemy against the Spirit.*” **Matt.12:31,32;** the Holy Spirit is God!

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit has divine attributes – let's consider some of these attributes.

**Rom 8:2; John 16:13;
1 Cor.12:11; John 14:16**

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The works of God are also associated with the Holy Spirit.
Creation and resurrection both involve Him.

Gen 1:2; Job 33:4;
Ps.104:30; Rom.8:11

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is considered equal with the Father and the Son in the baptism formula - **Matt.28:19**

The apostolic blessing - **2 Cor.13:14**

The spiritual-gifts discourse - **1 Cor 12:4-6**

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

From eternity, God the Holy Spirit lived within the Godhead as the third person. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are equally self-existent.

But though they are equal, each member of the Trinity has different functions as we already learnt in Fundamental Nos.2,3 &4

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The truth about God the Holy Spirit is understood as seen in the life of Christ. He was actively involved in Christ's birth Luke 1:35 (Birth).

He confirmed Christ's public ministry at the baptism
Matt.3:16,17 (Baptism).

He brought the benefits of Christ's atoning sacrifice and resurrection to humanity
Rom.8:11 (Resurrection)

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The promise of the Holy Spirit is made to all who receive Christ. In the Old Testament, He equipped certain individuals to perform certain tasks **Num. 24:2; Judges 6:34; 1 Sam 10:6.**

At times, He is “in” persons **Exo.31:3: Isa.63:11.**

The Holy Spirit will be manifested in a greater way in the end times **Joel 2:28; Acts 1:8; 2:2-4**

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Mission of the Holy Spirit. Jesus promised the Holy Spirit as His personal representative.

John 14: 16,18; 15:26; 16:7.

The Holy Spirit proceeds from both the Father and the Son.



Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

His Mission to the World. We can only know Christ through the influence of the Holy Spirit.

1 Cor.12:3

He convicts the world of sin.

John 16:8,9.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

His Mission to Believers. His sanctifying influence leads to obedience of Jesus Christ.

I Peter 1:2; Acts 5:32; 1 Thes.5:19

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

What does the Spirit do to Believers? He assists believers. He is our Helper, Comforter, Counselor and Mediator. **John 14:16; Heb.10:29.**

He brings the truth of Christ and is thus the Spirit of Truth. **John 14:17; 15:16; 16:13,14.**



Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

He brings the presence of Christ to us.

John 14:16-18; 16:7.

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ.

Phil.1:19.

The only way believers can abide in Christ is through
the Spirit **John 14:23.**



Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the True Vicar of Christ on the earth.
Those chosen to lead the Church must have an
encounter with the Holy Spirit

Acts 18:9.

He puts men into their position

Acts 20:28.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit equips the Church with special gifts for service

Num. 11:17,25-26; 2 Sam 23:2

In the New Testament, the Holy Spirit distributed His gifts to the church as He determined.

Acts 2:38; 1 Cor 12:7-11.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit fills the hearts of believers. Paul's query to the disciples at Ephesus, "*Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?*" **Acts 19:2** is a crucial question to every believer. **Acts 19:6**. Thus, the Holy Spirit not only convicts us of sin, we also receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit – He fills our lives! Amen

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

The gift of the Holy Spirit is received at baptism

Acts 2:38.

All believers were or are to be filled with the Holy
Spirit

Eph.5:18.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

It is the absence of the Holy Spirit that makes the gospel ministry so powerless. Without the presence of the Spirit of God, no heart will be touched, no sinner won to Christ. Thus, the Holy Spirit is vital.

John 15:5

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

Our greatest need as believers is the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives every single day – moment by moment

Spirit of the Living God,

Fall afresh on me X2

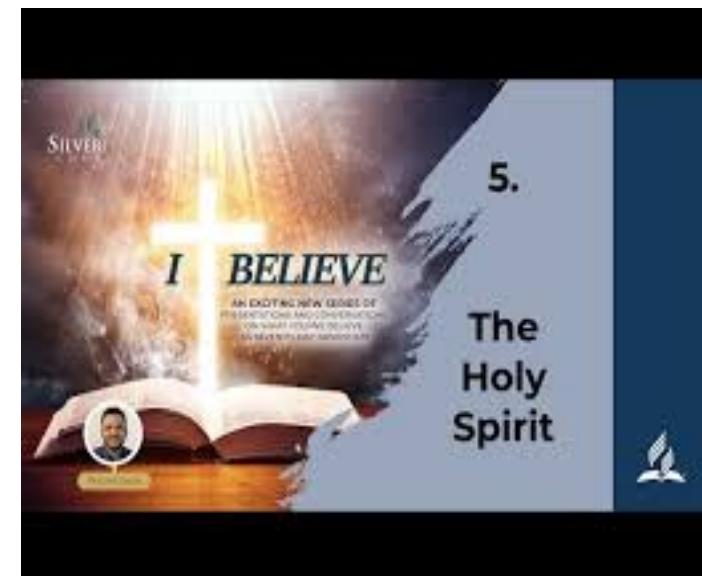
Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me..

Spirit of the Living God,

Fall afresh on me.

Fundamental Belief 05: God The Holy Spirit

Have you received the Holy Spirit of God to lead you to our Savior and Friend Jesus Christ?



My answer: _____

FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS 6: CREATION

God has revealed in Scripture the authentic and historical account of His creative activity. He created the universe, and in a recent six-day creation the Lord made “the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them” and rested on the seventh day. Thus He established the Sabbath as a perpetual memorial of the work He performed and completed during six literal days that together with the Sabbath constituted the same unit of time that we call a week today. The first man and woman were made in the image of God as the crowning work of Creation, given dominion over the world, and charged with responsibility to care for it. When the world was finished it was “very good,” declaring the glory of God.





Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

Genesis tells us the story of the 6-day creation week, followed by the first Sabbath.

God's relational love is introduced right away as he creates a perfect world, then personally forms the first two human beings to populate this planet.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The Creation Week

The very first words of **the Bible tell us who the Creator is** and what He created.

The literal six-day creation week comes from Genesis chapters 1 and 2. God hovers over a “formless and empty” earth enveloped in darkness, and begins His word

Genesis 1:1,2

Romans 11:36

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the first day...



God created light by speaking it into existence. He saw the light was good and separated the light from the darkness. He named the light “day” and the darkness “night.”

Evening and morning made the first day of creation

Gen 1:3-5

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the second day...

God spoke and created the sky and the sea.
He made an “expanse between the waters,” separating the water above the earth (the “firmament”) and water on the earth. The expanse in between He named the “sky.”
Another evening and morning made this the second day.

Genesis 1:6-8

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the third day...

God spoke and gathered the water together to reveal dry land, naming it “earth” and naming the water “seas.”

God saw it was good and spoke into the dry earth to produce roots to bear plants, flowers, and trees. And on the plants grew fruit.

Another evening and morning made the third day

Genesis 1:9-13

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the fourth day...

God spoke to create lights in the sky to brighten the earth
and to distinguish seasons.

Thus God made the sun to “rule over the day,” and the
moon and stars to “rule over the night.”

He saw that they were good, and evening and morning
were the fourth day

Genesis 1:14-19

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the fifth day...

God spoke and created living creatures, great and small, to swim and swarm in the waters. He created birds of every kind to fly in the air.

When he saw that it was good, He commanded the creatures to multiply and fill the seas and the skies. The evening and morning made the fifth day

Genesis 1:20-23

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the sixth day...

God spoke and created beasts, livestock, and every creeping thing to roam the earth.

Then, God did something different.

He spoke everything else into existence up to this point. But then He took from the “dust from the ground” and physically formed the first human being. Then He “breathed the breath of life into his nostrils, and the man became a living being” **Genesis 2:7**

What’s more, this living being was created in God’s image, according to His “likeness” **Genesis 1:26**

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

On the seventh day...



God saw His creation finished and He rested.

He blessed the seventh day and called it holy, as He rested from His work

Genesis 2:1-3.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

God established the Sabbath day during creation week

Not only did God “rest” on the seventh day, but He set this day aside for rest. He made it holy and blessed it, and commanded His living creation to rest as well.

Because the heavens and earth were finished, God paused. He asks us to pause with Him each week, as a reminder that He is our Creator, and this world was given to us to live in and help take care of. We owe our very being to Him, and by spending time appreciating His creation, we honor Him and grow closer to Him.

Genesis 2:3; Exodus 20:8-11

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The Godhead created the universe by speaking it into existence

In all the Godhead's (Trinity) omnipotence, the universe was created through speech. The Genesis account tells us more still about how God created the universe. It was a collaboration between God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

John 1:1-3

The Word, mentioned by John, is Jesus Himself. John identifies Jesus here as a primary participant in creation.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The Godhead created the universe by speaking it into existence

The second verse of the Bible says the spirit of God hovered above the waters **Genesis 1:2**. So it was the Father, the son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit that created the universe *together*. There was a plan—a relationship, intent, and inclusion.

God also wanted humanity to be part of the creation process, and He made us as creative beings. Adam even helped by naming the animals **Genesis 2:20**.

With the same care God used to create Adam and Eve, He created each of us before we were even born - **Jeremiah 1:5**.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The Godhead created the universe by speaking it into existence



You are bestowed with creativity because God created you that way, in His image. You are relational because God created you so. You are loving, caring, and imbued with free will because God made you so.

Knowing God created us in this way can help us relate to Him, give glory to Him, and love Him.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The importance of knowing God as our creator

When God created the universe, He did so with care and forethought. The order in which God created earth and all its inhabitants shows his masterful design.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The genesis creation story supports the relationship between God and Living things

From the first light all the way through to the animals, God spoke His creation into existence.

Then the Godhead agreed to create humanity.

God said, “let us make man in our image, after our likeness” - **Genesis 1:26**. He spoke His intent—but this time, the words did not make the man. God Himself gathered dust from the ground and formed man in his likeness. Then God breathed life into the human’s lifeless form.

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The genesis creation story supports the relationship between God and Living things

God came face-to-face with him, breathing into his body to give him life. Then God gave him a name: Adam.

God created Adam and gave him his likeness, gave him His breath, and gave him a name - **Genesis 1:26**

Seeing that Adam had no mate, God created a female from Adam's rib **Genesis 2:21-25**

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The genesis creation story supports the relationship between God and Living things

God blessed the man and woman. He told them to multiply and fill the earth. He told them to subdue the earth, and have dominion over it and all the living things on it - **Genesis 1:28.**

God planted a garden in Eden for Adam and Eve, and filled it with every tree that is pleasant to see and good to eat - **Genesis 2:8-9.**

God gave mankind dominion over all living things on the earth.
Genesis 1:26.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The genesis creation story supports the relationship between
God and Living things

With this kind of order established, Adam and Eve were clearly distinct from the other animals. No other creature on earth was created in God's image. No others were named by God.

In fact, God allowed Adam to name all the other creatures, letting him be part of the holy work of creation!

God even entrusted the first humans with the stewardship of the earth.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

The genesis creation story supports the relationship between God and Living things

No other creature was poised at creation to have a personal relationship with God, or to hold any form of responsibility toward the rest of the world.

God made human beings special, and He desires a special relationship with us.



Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

What the creation story means for us today

As Christians, and as humans, it is important to understand where we come from.

God's Word documents the origin of the cosmos and its surrounding heavenly sphere.. This is also the beginning of mankind. It's the beginning of our relationship with God, with one another, and the planet we inhabit.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

What the creation story means for us today

We were planned. We were part of God's plan, and still are. We have a place, as well as a role within that place.

We have complementary masculine and feminine characteristics because God made us to fit together like the most intricate of puzzle pieces.

We have a home because God created it, making sure it was good and perfect before He put us there.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

What the creation story means for us today

We have food and oxygen because God planted grains, trees, bushes, and fruit-bearing plants to sustain our health.

We have a job because God gave us dominion over the earth and all living things on it.

You were wanted, planned, cared for, provided for, and designed with a purpose. Through Jesus Christ you have life, and that life started at the very origin of the earth.

Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

What the creation story means for us today

In our daily lives today, we can live a life of gratitude toward our Savior and Creator. Even though sin came into this world through our free choice, we can know that our *“Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth”* that He so carefully created for us.

Job 19:25



Fundamental Belief 06: Creation

Do you believe that it is God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit is the one who created you and that He also sustains you?

My answer:_____