The Triune God

## 2 Cor. 13:14—The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen

The Bible teaches one God in Three Eternal Persons.

1. God is revealed by His love in action.
2. God is revealed by The Holy Ghost in communion with us.
3. God is revealed by The grace of His Son.

1Cor. 8:6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

Pr 30:4 … who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell?

I Tim. 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;

Hebrews 1:2—*Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;*

Eph. 1:17—*That the* ***God*** *of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation* ***in the knowledge of him***:

Eph. 1:18—*The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,*

Eph. 1:19—*And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of* ***his mighty power****,*

Eph. 1:20—Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,

**God… *in the knowledge of him…His Mighty Power***

* The God of our Lord Jesus Christ
* The Father of glory
* Giving unto you

Eph 2:4—But God who is rich in mercy for his great love wherewith he loved us

Eph*. 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)* Eph. *2:6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:*

Eph*.* 2:7 *That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.*

Eph*.* 2:10 *For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.*

Eph. 2:13—*But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ*.

Eph. 2:14—*For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;*

## Eph 2:18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

1 John 5:7—*For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one*.

I John 5:8—*And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.*

The Father is God

The Son is God

The Holy Ghost is God

John 8:13—*The Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true.*

14 *Jesus answered and said unto them, Though I bear record of myself, yet my record is true: for I know whence I came, and whither I go; but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I go.*

1 John 5:2—*By this* ***we know*** *that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.*

1 John 5:15—*And if* ***we know*** *that he hear us, whatsoever we ask,* ***we know*** *that we have the petitions that we desired of him.*

1 John 5:18—***We know*** *that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not*.

1 John 5:19—*And* ***we know*** *that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness*.

1 John 5:20—*And* ***we know*** *that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may* ***know*** *him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.*

1 John 2:18*—Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby* ***we know that it is the last time.***

1 John 2:20*—But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and* ***ye know all things****.* 21*—I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth*

1 John 2:22*—Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.*

1 John 2:23*—Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*

24*—Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.*

1 John 4:14*—And we have seen and do testify that the* ***Father sent the Son*** *to be the Saviour of the world.*

1Cor. 15:24—*Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.*

1 John 2:26*—These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you*

## 1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

1 John 4:6—*We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.*

*Isaiah 9:6 For unto us* ***a child is born****, unto us* ***a son is given****: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*

Child – born, Son – given, Government – King, *Father (of Eternity)EVERLASTING Father of all creation (Jesus is never said to be the Father of God, but always referred to as the Son of God. There is The Father, The Holy Ghost and The Son) “****Prince****”*

*Deut. 33:27 The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.*

*John 14:7 If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. 8 Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.*

*9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?*

*John 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.*

*John 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.*

*John 6:46 Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.*

*1Timothy 1:17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

*John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.*

*Hebrews 1:3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;*

*John 14:10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.*

*John 14:11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.*

* *The Godhead dwelt in Christ*
* *God the Father is not flesh;*
* *God is a Spirit*
* *The Son of God became Flesh; both Spirit and flesh*

*John 12:45 And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.*

*15:24 If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.*

*Jesus Christ represented the Father*

*John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

*Jesus Christ is the Son of God, Jesus is not the Father of God, Jesus,* ***with*** *The Father* ***and*** *the Holy Ghost is the father of Creation.*

Jesus (“a child is born”) Is a created being by the father.

Christ (“a Son is given”) is the Eternal Son of God in the Godhead.

Jesus as Christ is the Voice in creation along with the Father and the Holy Ghost and God also speaks in these last days by his Son and through the Holy Ghost.

*John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God.*

*John 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.*

*Eph 4:4 There is one body, and* ***one Spirit****, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5* ***One Lord****, one faith, one baptism, 6* ***One God*** *and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*

*Col 1:15-20, v.19*

*For it pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell;*

Mathew 18:5 *And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.*

*Mark 9:37 Whosoever shall receive one of such children in my name, receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but him that sent me.*

*Luke 9:48 And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.*

*Made in the image and likeness of God in Holiness and authority.*

*Gen. 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth…*

*Gen. 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.*

*Gen. 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.*

The Holy Ghost

Same in Nature, same in Power, same in Wisdom, same in Character, same in Example

SAME IN LIFE BUT **NOT** THE SAME PERSON

A PERSON OF THE GODHEAD BUT **NOT** THE SAME PERSON AS THE FATHER **NOR** THE SAME PERSON AS THE SON

THREE DISTINCT PERSONS MAKING UP THE ONE GODHEAD

THERE IS ONE GOD

THE FATHER –THE SON OF GOD-THE HOLY GHOST

1John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the **Father**, the **Word**, and the **Holy Ghost**: and **these three are one**.

Heb 9:14 **How much more shall the blood of Christ,** who **through** the eternal **Spirit** offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve **The living God**?

2Co 13:14 The grace of the **Lord Jesus Christ**, and the love of **God,** and the communion of the **Holy Ghost**, be with you all. Amen.

1Cor. 2:10 But **God** hath revealed them unto us by his **Spirit**: for the **Spirit** searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of **God.**

2Pe 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but **holy men of God** spake as they were moved by the **Holy Ghost.**

Lu 1:35 … **The Holy Ghost** shall come upon thee, and **the power of the Highest** shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the **Son of God**.

Lu 1:46 And Mary said, **My soul doth** magnify **the Lord,**

* Acts 13:48 “they were glad, and glorified the **word of the Lord**”

Lu 2:19 But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

Pr 30:5 **Every word of God** is **pure**: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

Mt 4:4 But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by **every word** that proceedeth out of **the mouth of God**.

Ps 119:161 SCHIN. Princes have persecuted me without a cause: **but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.**

1Sa 9:27 And as they were going down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul, Bid the servant pass on before us, (and he passed on,) but stand thou still a while, that I may **shew thee the word of God.**

Ps 119:18 ¶ Open **thou** mine eyes, that I may behold **wondrous things** out of **thy law**.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was **God**.

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.

Jn. 5:39; II Tim. 2:15; I Tim. 6:3; Heb.4:11-12; I Pt. 1:23; Job 37:2; Ex.31:18; Ps.119:160

John 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only **true God**, and **Jesus Christ,** **whom** thou hast sent.4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.

5 And now, O **Father,** glorify **thou me with thine own self** with the glory which **I had** **with thee** before the world was.

6 **I** have manifested **thy** name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: **thine** they were, and **thou** gavest them **me;** and they have kept **thy** word.

7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever **thou** hast given me are of thee.

8 For **I** have given unto them the words which **thou** **gavest me;** and they have received them, and have known surely **that I** came out **from thee**, and they have believed that **thou** didst send **me**.

9 **I** pray for them: **I** pray not for the world, but for them which **thou** hast given **me;** for they are **thine.**

10 And **all mine** are **thine**, and **thine** are **mine**; and **I** am glorified in them.

11 And now **I** am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and **I** come to **thee.** **Holy Father**, keep through **thine** own name those whom **thou** hast given me, that they may be **one, as we are**.

22 And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may **be one**, **even as we are one:**

23 **I** in them, and **thou** in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that **thou** hast **sent me**, and hast loved them, as **thou** hast loved **me.**

24 **Father, I** will that they also, whom **thou** hast given **me,** be with **me** where **I** am; that they may behold **my** glory, which **thou** hast given me: for **thou** lovedst **me** before the foundation of the world.

25 **O righteous Father**, the world hath not known **thee**: but **I** have known **thee,** and these have known that **thou** hast sent **me.**

26 And **I** have declared unto them **thy** name, and will declare it: that **the love** wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and **I** in them.

* Heb 9:14 How much more shall **the blood of Christ**, who through **the eternal Spirit** offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the **living God**?
* Heb 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and **without shedding of blood is no remission.**

Jesus Christ alone can forgive sin.

1. How can I be healed
2. Where can I seek refuge
3. Who only can forgive sin?

**A Little While**

**Jn. 16:13-22**

John 16:16 **A little while**, and ye shall not see me: and again, **a little while**, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

THE HOLY GHOST IS A PERSON – “Another Comforter”

14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 Even the **Spirit of truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither **knoweth him**: but ye **know** him; for he dwelleth with **you,** and shall be in **you.**

26 But the Comforter, which is the **Holy Ghost**, whom the **Father** will send in **my name**, **he** shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever **I** have said unto you.

15:26 But when the **Comforter** is come, **whom I** will send unto you from the **Father**, even the **Spirit of truth**, which proceedeth from the **Father, he** shall testify of **me:**

16:7 Nevertheless **I** tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that **I** go away: for if **I** go not away, **the Comforter** will not come unto you; but if **I** depart, **I** will send **him** unto you.

The Biblical Doctrine of the Trinity

Isaiah 6:3—*And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.*

*2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

It is the Christian’s responsibility to prove what we believe rather than disproving what someone else may believe. In being a light, we drive away darkness.

1. One Eternal Being, One True Holiness of God.
2. Three Distinct Divine Persons
3. Co-Equal and Co-Eternal
4. Partaking of His Divine Nature

A **Being** is a person in the State of Existence, The essential nature or character.

A **Person** is in Christianity, the Father, the Son, or the Holy Spirit, together being the Trinity

What and who

Equality and Eternal

God is Revealed as the Father, declared by the Son

The Word is Revealed as the “Only Begotten Son” of God, the “Only Begotten of the Father” and “with God.”

John 1:1*—In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.* 2*—The same was in the beginning with God.*

3*—All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.*

14*—And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.*

18—*No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.*

Luke 10:22*—All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him.*

John 5:22*—For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:*

23*—That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.*

##### "What about the doctrine of the Trinity, the Holy Trinity?"

"Trinity" is a word used to describe what is apparent about God in the Scriptures. The Bible clearly speaks of God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ), and God the Holy Spirit...and also clearly presents that there is only one God.

If we were to use math, it would be, 1+1+1=3. It would be 1x1x1=1. God is a triune God.

Thus the term: "Tri" meaning three, and "Unity" meaning one, Tri+Unity = Trinity.

It is a way of acknowledging what the Bible reveals to us about God, that God is yet three "Persons" who have the same essence of deity.

Some have tried to give human illustrations for the Trinity, such as

H2O being water, ice and steam (all different forms, but all are H2O).

Another illustration is an egg having a shell, egg yolk and egg white.

God the Son (Jesus) is fully, completely God. God the Father is fully, completely God. And God the Holy Ghost is fully, completely God. Yet there is only one God. From the beginning we see God this way in Scripture. Notice the plural pronouns "us" and "our" in Genesis 1:26 -- Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

Though not a complete list, here is some other Scripture that shows God is one, in Trinity:

* "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!" (Deut. 6:4)
* There is none other God but one. (1Cor. 8:4)

Isaiah 45:5 I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

Mathew 3:16 And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:17 And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

* Jesus said: "I and the Father are one." (John 10:30)
* "He who has seen Me has seen the Father." (John 14:9)
* "He who beholds Me beholds the One who sent Me." (John 12:45)
* If anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. (Rom. 8:9)

Mathew 1:20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

*John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;*

*17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*

*21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.*

*Ac 2:32 This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses.*

*Ac 4:10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.*

*Ac 10:40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;*

*Ac 13:30 But God raised him from the dead:*

*Ac 13:37 But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.*