



The Holy Trinity

Matthew 28:19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..."

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_____ *... in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ...*

1.) WHAT DO WE MEAN BY THE DIVINE TRINITY: (From the Athanasian Creed)

We worship One God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity; neither confounding the Persons, nor dividing the substance. For there is One Person of the Father; another of the Son; and another of the Holy Spirit. But the Godhead of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, is all One; the Glory equal, the Majesty Coeternal. ... The Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated, the Holy Spirit is uncreated. The Father is infinite, the Son is infinite, the Holy Spirit is infinite. The Father is eternal, the Son is eternal, the Holy Spirit is eternal. ... the Father is omnipotent, the Son is omnipotent, and the Holy Spirit is omnipotent. ... So the Father is God: the Son is God: and the Holy Spirit is God. And yet there are not three gods: but One God only. ... The Father is made of none: neither created, nor begotten. The Son is of the Father alone; not made, nor created: but begotten. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor begotten: but proceeding... And in this Trinity none is afore, or after another: none is greater, or less than another. But the whole Three Persons are Coeternal, and Coequal. So that in all things, as aforesaid: the Unity in Trinity and the Trinity in Unity, is to be worshiped.

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"The fact that it cannot be satisfactorily explained, instead of being against it, is in its favor. Such a truth had to be revealed; no one could have imagined it."

A.W. Tozer, *Knowledge of the Holy* (New York, NY: Harper and Row, 1961) 31.

2.) The Unity of the Trinity:

To you it was shown, that you might know that the Lord Himself is God; there is none other besides Him. Duet. 4:35

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. Duet. 6:4-5

"...honor that comes from the only God..." John 5:44

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_____ (Mark 10:17; Mark 12:29; 2 Tim. 2:5; James 2:19, *many more*)

3.) The Trinity in Unity

...baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit... Matt. 28:19

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

...how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Heb. 9:14

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

...elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied. 1 Pet. 1:2

...praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. Jude 20-21

This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear. Acts 2:32-33;

Also: Luke 1:35-37; John 3:34; Acts:1:4-5,7-8; Acts 10:36-38; 2 Cor. 1:21-22; Rom. 1:1-4; Rom. 8:9-10, 26-28; 1 Cor. 12:3-6; 2 Thess. 2:13; Titus 3:4-8; 1 Pet. 3:18; Heb. 2:2-3; Heb. 10:19-31; Rom. 5:1-5; 1Pet. 4:14; Rom. 8:5-15; Zech. 12:7-10; Isa. 48:16; John 14:26; John 15:26; John 16:5-15. ...

Selected from John, Ch. 14-16

John 14:

¹⁵ If you love Me, keep My commandments. ¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever – ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. ¹⁸ I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:

²³ ...If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. ²⁴ He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me. ²⁵ These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. ²⁶ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

4.) The Father Is God:

...God the Father has set His seal on Him. John 6:27
...sanctified by God the Father... Jude 1
...One God and Father of all... Eph.4:6
...according to the foreknowledge of God the Father... 1 Pet. 1:1

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5.) The Son is God:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory... John 1:1&14

My Lord and my God! John 20:28

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh... 1 Tim. 3:16

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isa. 9:6

John 15:

²⁶ But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.

Notes (John 14): _____

Notes (John 15): _____

Notes (John 16): _____

John 16:

⁵ But now I go away to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, "Where are You going?" ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. ⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. ⁸ And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: ⁹ of sin, because they do not believe in Me; ¹⁰ of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; ¹¹ of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ¹² I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and declare it to you.

... among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. Acts 20:28

...of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen. Rom. 9:5

...looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ... Titus 2:13

...To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ: 2 Pet. 1:1

⁶ But when He again brings the firstborn into the world, He says: "Let all the angels of God worship Him." ⁷ And of the angels He says: "Who makes His angels spirits And His ministers a flame of fire." ⁸ But to the Son He says: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom. ⁹ You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions." ¹⁰ And: "You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. Heb. 1:6-10

I and My Father are One. . . . The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God." John 10:30&33

Therefore the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. John 5:18

...that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him. John 5:23

who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God... Phil. 2:6

For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily . . . Col. 2:9

⁷ "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him." ⁸ Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? John 14:7-10

Jesus' Name is "Immanuel," translated "God With Us": Isa. 7:14 and Matt. 1:23

Jesus is called YHWH (Yahweh/Jehovah): Jer. 23:5-6; Isa. 40:3 (Mal. 3:1, Mark 1:1-3); Heb. 1:10

Jesus /YHWH, in the title, "The First and the Last" and "Alpha and Omega": Isa. 41:4, 44:6, 48:12; Rev. 1:8, 21:6, 22:13

Jesus is Eternal/Infinite/Immutable: John 8:58; Micah 5:2; Isa. 9:6; Heb. 13:8

Jesus is Omnipotent/Almighty: Heb. 1:3; Rom. 9:5; Rev. 1:8, 22:13; 1 Tim. 6:15; Col. 1:17; Phil. 2:21; Col. 2:10; Matt. 28:18

Jesus is Omnipresent (everywhere at once): Eph. 1:20; John 3:13; Matt. 28:20, 18:20 (many such passages about being in those who are His)

Jesus is Omniscient (all knowing): John 21:17, 16:30; Col. 2:3; John 1:48, 2:24-25; Matt. 9:4; 2 Cor. 5:10; Heb. 4:13

6.) The Holy Spirit is God:

Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? 1 Cor. 3:16

But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit...? ... You have not lied to men but to God." Acts 5:3-4

(Seen as God in that He answers prayer) Acts 13:2-4
(He wrote the Word of God) 2 Pet. 1:20-21

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Holy Spirit is YHWH (Yahweh/Jehovah): Jer. 31:31-34 with Heb. 10:15

Eternal/Infinite/Immutable: Heb. 9:14

Omnipotent: Luke 1:35; Matt. 12:28

Omnipresent: Psalm 139:7-10

Omniscient: John 16:13 that the Holy Spirit guides into "all truth"; as well as 1 Cor. 2:10-11

7.) The Holy Spirit is a Person:

2 Cor. 13:14.....Fellowship
Acts 8:29.....Commands
1 Cor. 2:10.....Intelligence
1 Cor. 12:11.....He works as He wills
Acts 13.....By His will He decides,
directs, separates and sends Paul and
Barnabas to the work He had for them
Heb. 10:29.....He can be insulted/outraged

Rom. 8:26..... He intercedes, prays
John 14:26 He teaches
Rom. 8:14.....He leads
John 16:13.....He guides, hears and speaks
Eph. 4:30.....He can be grieved
John 16:8.....He convicts
John 15:26.....He testifies
Acts 9:3.....He comforts

8.) The Works of God, the Works of the Trinity:

The work of Creation:

Ascribed to God.....Gen. 1:1
Ascribed to the Son.....Col. 1:16
Ascribed to the Holy Spirit.....Job 26:13

The Resurrection of Christ:

The Father raised Him upActs 2:43
The Son raised Himself up.....John 2:19, 10:17-18
The Holy Spirit raised Him up.....Rom. 8:11

Salvation: . . . elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ... 1 Pet. 1:2

Atonement: . . . how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Heb 9:14

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I! Send me." Isa. 6:8

Signs and Symbols Not Adequate: Examples (their token profit and their great inabilities)

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9.) The Johannine Comma:

⁶ This is He who came by water and blood – Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth.

⁷ For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

⁸ And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

⁹ If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son.

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Spirit: At Pentecost (also through the Word, through preaching 1 Pet. 1:12) ...as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:4

The Water: The Father at His Baptism, "This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." Matt. 3:17

The Blood: The Son from the Cross, "It is finished!" John 19:30

"...three that bear witness... and these three agree as one. ...for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son."

10.) Elohim, Its Supporting Role With The Plural Pronouns: (John 16:12-13)

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness..." Gen. 1:26

Then the Lord God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil... Gen. 3:22

"Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language..." So the Lord scattered them... Gen. 11:7-8

Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" Isa. 6:8