

The Trinity

The Essence of Three

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The Essence of Three

**Have you ever considered the number
“three”?**

**The number three is considered the Divine
Number because it is mentioned so often
in regard to Holy Things.**

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It speaks of the Trinity of God –

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

It speaks of the Trinity of Man –

Spirit, Soul, and Body.

It speaks of the Three Great Feasts -

Passover, Pentecost, & Tabernacles (Leviticus 23)

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It speaks of the threefold character of the
Baptismal Formula in Matthew 28:19;
**“baptizing them in the name of the
Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit”.**

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It speaks of the Apostolic Benediction in 2 Cor.13:14; “**May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all**”.

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It speaks of the **Three Temptations of Christ** while in the desert (Matt.4:1-11).

It speaks of the **Three Prayers of Christ** in Gethsemane before His death (Matt.26:36-46).

It speaks of the **Three Denials of Jesus** by Peter (Matt.26:69-75).

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It speaks of Christ's Restoration of Peter with
Three Questions and Three Charges –

“Do you love me?” (John 21:15-18)

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It also speaks in regards to the Restoration of Israel on the “third” day:

"Come, let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. (Hosea 6:1-2)

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And Jonah's **three days inside the belly of the fish** in Jonah 1:17 & Matthew 12:39-40.

He answered, "A wicked and adulterous generation asks for a miraculous sign! But none will be given it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

(Matthew 12:39-40)

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“Three” is very prevalent in the Book of Revelation.

Jesus is spoken of as

‘He who “is” and “was” and “is to come”’

(Rev.1:8; 4:8).

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In Rev.1:5, we see His threefold ministry as “the faithful witness” (Prophet), “firstborn from the dead” (Priest), and “the ruler of the kings of the earth” (King).

and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. He is “Prophet”, “Priest”, and “King”.

As Prophet He is God’s Word,
as Priest, He is God’s Lamb,
and as King, He is God’s Lion.

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The four “Living Creatures” chant **“Holy, Holy, Holy”** and give Him **“Glory”, “Honor”, and “Thanks”** in the next verse.

Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." Whenever the living creatures give glory, honor and thanks to him who sits on the throne and who lives for ever and ever, He is three times Holy - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Rev.4:8-9)

God is three times HOLY; Father, Son, Holy Spirit.

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Even Satan who masquerades as an angel of light
(2 Cor.11:14) has a Satanic Trinity.

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We can see the dragon, the false prophet coming, and the beast manifested in Rev. 16:13 during the tribulation

Then I saw three evil spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet. (Rev.16:13)

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In Rev.19:20 at the end of the tribulation. Satan continues to try to “become like God” and to even counterfeit doctrinal truth.

But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. (Rev.19:20)

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If Satan is going to counterfeit the Trinity
and he believes in the Trinity, how much
more should we?

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The number Three is also prominent in nature.

The primary colors of solar light are
Blue, Yellow, and Red.

The Sun manifests
Light, Heat, and Chemical Rays.

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Nature has Three Kingdoms:

Animal, Vegetable, and Mineral.

Matter exists in three forms:

Gas, Liquid, and Solid.

The great forces of nature are

Gravity, Light, and Electricity.

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We also see the number “3” in the 3 parts of man.

Genesis 2:7 says, **“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground (body), and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (spirit); and man became a living soul (soul)”**.

In 1 Thess.5:23 it says, **“May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and He will do it.”**

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**Spirit, soul, body. The 3 parts of man shown us
in Genesis 2:7 and again in 1 Thess. 5:23.**

**Just as an egg has a yolk, white, and a shell so
we have a spirit, soul, and outer shell.**

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Many have come against the Christian doctrine of the Trinity.

In these last days before Jesus returns we need to know what we really believe.

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The essence can be, and is, at once, three persons and one personal being.

Three persons but one essence.

Three eternal distinctions in the one divine essence.

The Tri-personality of God.

The triune God.

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How can we best explain the trinity in a simple manner?

In a business, the company may be called “Jones and Company”.

John Jones, Jim Jones, and Peter Jones may be the heads of three different departments in the company.

The three work together in unison, yet it is one company.

Three persons working together in unison, yet one company.

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Light has three different rays:

red heat rays

(invisible like the Father),

yellow light rays

(that are seen giving us a picture of the Son),

blue chemical rays

(seen by their effects giving us a picture of the Holy Spirit).

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Water comes in three forms:

Liquid – Ice - Steam.

Yet it is still only water.

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We can look at an individual who we will call **John Clarke**.

John is a **husband, father, and teacher**.

He is in essence one person but functions in three different roles at the same time.

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Without the trinity, there could be no incarnation for God is Holy & had to become man.

There could be no objective redemption for the Father was in Heaven while the Son was on the cross; therefore no salvation for there would be no one capable of acting as mediator between God and man.

For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all men—the testimony given in its proper time. (1 Tim.2:5-6)

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**The Doctrine of the Trinity is a truth by
Revelation from God.**

**And my prayer today is that God will
continue to deepen this truth in your
heart.**

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Someone once said if you try to understand the Trinity you will **lose your mind**, but if you deny the Trinity you will **lose your soul**.

The Trinity is indeed **the threefold persons** of God and yet God **in ESSENCE “ONE”**.

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What a beautiful thing to have:

Our Father, reigning in Heaven,

Jesus our Risen Savior, seated at His right hand praying for us right now as our High Priest,

The Holy Spirit, our Wonderful Counselor, indwelling us, empowering us, loving us, changing us, and leading us into all truth.

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I don't have to understand it in my mind but accept it by faith that my God has everything covered.

He is able to save us completely those who come to Him.

**Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.
(Hebrews 7:25)**

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In the Holy Spirit we see God Almighty in that **the same attributes** attributed to the Father and Jesus are spoken about the Holy Spirit. His attributes affirm personality.

His Works are **the Works of God**. He does and is doing the works of God.

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We see **personality** in that the Holy Spirit is spoken of using personal pronouns.

We see **deity** in His Titles, we see Him **identifying** Himself with God, **associating** with the Father and the Son, and being **involved** in the Creation.

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**“For the Kingdom of God
is not a matter of eating and drinking
but of righteousness, peace, and joy
in the Holy Spirit” (Romans 14:17).**

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If there is any member of the Trinity who doesn't get enough credit for being a person, or for being God, it is the Holy Spirit.

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We are reminded of a very important truth in Zechariah 4:6: **"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, says the LORD God of hosts."**

This text reminds me that: **I NEED THE HOLY SPIRIT AT WORK IN MY LIFE TODAY:**

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

First FOR CONVICTION

Before salvation we are "dead in trespasses and sins".

As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath. But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions —it is by grace you have been saved. (Eph.2:1-4)

It is the convicting work of the Holy Spirit that makes a person to desire salvation.

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Second FOR CONVERSION

When a person comes to Christ by faith for salvation the Spirit of God brings about change.

And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. (2 Cor.3:18)

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Third FOR COMMUNICATION

**The Holy Spirit is the great communicator.
He communicates assurance to us.**

**The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit
that we are God's children. (Romans
8:16).**

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Third FOR COMMUNICATION

The Holy Spirit communicates to God for us.

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness.

We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will. (Romans 8:26-27)

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Fourth FOR CONTROL

I must allow God's Holy Spirit to control my life.

Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)

**So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.
(Gal. 5:16)**

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Fifth FOR CONTRIBUTION

As the Holy Spirit controls us, He will contribute:

Special graces: Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. (Eph. 5:19-21)

Fruit: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. (Galatians 5:22-23)

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Fifth FOR CONTRIBUTION

As the Holy Spirit controls us, He will contribute:

Souls saved: But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

Power, love and a sound mind: For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline. (2 Timothy 1:7)

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Yes, the Holy Spirit is God!!

**Another example of the special number
THREE is Lord who looks after us in the
morning, afternoon, and night.**

**The Lord who guides us on the Land, Sea and
Air.**

**God, Who “in Him we live, and move, and
have our being” (Acts 17:28).**

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The Holy Spirit:

Who gives us **AIR** to breath, **WATER** to drink and **FOOD** to eat.

Who “from Him and through Him and to Him are all things” (Romans 11:36).

Whose will is “good, pleasing, and perfect” (Romans 12:3).

I Need The Holy Spirit At Work In My Life Today:

Brothers & sisters, this same God is in your hearts if you've received JESUS as your Lord and Savior.

He is worthy to be worshiped, praised, and adored.

We Need Jesus In Our Hearts

If you have not received Jesus as your Savior, King, and Lord, you can receive Him “right now” and have all your sins from the PAST, PRESENT, and FUTURE wiped out.

Today is the day of salvation!!

We Need Jesus In Our Hearts

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation. (2 Cor.5:21-6:2).

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I want to turn to Acts 17:32-34.

The people when they heard the gospel of Jesus Christ, did one of three things.

“When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered but others said, ‘We want to hear you again on this subject.’ At that, Paul left the Council. A few men became followers of Paul and believed.”

Did you see the three things they did?

“Sneered,” “want to hear more”, or “believed.”

I say with all earnestness, that the third choice is the right choice.

We Need Jesus In Our Hearts

If today the Father is drawing you to His Son by His love and grace, you simply need to pray after me in your heart the following prayer to become a Christian, to be born again, and to become a child of God.

I'll start the prayer and you just repeat after me if you want to receive God's love, mercy, and joy today.

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**“LORD JESUS thank You for dying on the cross for me.
I ask You to forgive my sins of the past, present, and future.
Thank You for shedding your blood, dying on the cross, and
forgiving my sins.**

**I ask You to come into my heart and take up residence as my
Lord, King, and Savior.**

**Thank You that I am now Born Again and a child of God.
Give me the power to follow You and to love you.
Come and fill me with Your wonderful Holy Spirit.
In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.”**

We Need Jesus In Our Hearts

If you have sincerely prayed that prayer for the first time, go and tell somebody today and have them pray with you and support you in your walk with the Risen Savior.

Today you have started a special journey with an amazing God. He is Altogether Lovely.

We Need the Holy Spirit Working in Our Lives

I also want to address those Christians here who need to be “enlightened” daily to the Holy Spirit’s power in their life.

We need the Holy Spirit every day and every moment.

All of us struggle at times because we don’t allow the Holy Spirit into our lives more fully everyday.

Would those who want more of the Holy Spirit please stand up.

Please repeat after me:

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**“Father God, You are so wonderful. Lord, thank You for Your Son,
Jesus.**

Jesus, thank You for sending the Holy Spirit.

Holy Spirit, I love You.

Forgive me Holy Spirit for not giving You enough credit as God.

**Forgive me for following my own thoughts and doing things in my own
power.**

I love You Holy Spirit.

Now, Holy Spirit come and fill me, fill me with Your fullness.

Be my All in All.

Be my life.

Be my Guide and Counselor.

Help me everyday to want to be filled with You.

In Jesus’ name I pray. Amen.”

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There is **“ONE FILLING”** when Jesus comes into our hearts at salvation. He is always with us & will never leave or forsake us.

But there are **“MANY FILLINGS”**. We need to come to God constantly to be filled by His Holy Spirit by humbly confessing “known” and “unknown” sins, asking God to fill us with His Spirit, and thanking Him for His Wonderful Holy Spirit in our lives as we learn to walk with Him “moment by “moment”.

We Need the Holy Spirit Working in Our Lives

Finally, I would encourage you to do **THREE** things as you continue to walk with God.

WORSHIP HIM, **PRAY** to HIM, and **READ** about HIM through HIS Love Letter the Bible.

Our Lord is worthy to receive **Glory, Honor** and **Praise**.

The HOLY SPIRIT

God bless you as you

obey,

serve,

glorify Him

in your daily life.

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You are

LOVED by the Father,

LOVED by Jesus,

LOVED by the Holy Spirit.

**THE HOLY SPIRIT
& THE TRINITY
(further teachings)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

1) The Bible uses “personal pronouns” to describe the Holy Spirit.

(John 15:26; 16:8; 16:13; 16:14; Romans 8:16; 8:26; etc.)

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

2) The Holy Spirit is a person because He has certain characteristics:

- Will power (1 Cor.12:11)**
- Intelligence (Neh.9:20; Romans 8:27)**
- Grieves (Eph.4:30)**
- Loves (Romans 15:30)**
- Power (Acts 1:8)**
- Knowledge (1 Cor.2:10-12)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

3) The Holy Spirit does the same things that a person does:

- He speaks (Rev.2:7)
- cries out (Gal.4:6)
- intercedes (Rom.8:26)
- testifies (John 15:26)
- teaches (John 14:26)
- leads and directs (Rom.8:14)
- commands (Acts 16:6,7);
- calls people (Acts 13:2; Acts 20:28)
- is a missionary (John 15:26)
- searches the deep things of God (1 Cor.2:10)

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

4) The Holy Spirit has emotions:

- He is grieved (Isa.63:10)**
- can be insulted (Heb.10:29)**
- can be lied to (Acts 5:3)**
- can be blasphemed (Matt.12:31; 32)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

5) The Holy Spirit is a person because He has intellect, emotions, will, knowledge, and actions. He is not an “it” but a living person.

THE HOLY SPIRIT: His Personality

6) The Holy Spirit can be fellowshiped with, communed with, cures the broken heart, comforts us, guides us, leads us, teaches us, leads us into all truth, empowers people's witnessing and preaching, gives life, takes away fears, is with us wherever we go, and comes alongside us (Greek word – Parakletos).

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The Holy Spirit possesses divine attributes of God:

- He is eternal (Heb.9:14)
- omnipresent (Psa.139:7-10)
- omnipotent (Luke 1:35; Gen.1:2; Job 26:13)
- omniscient (1 Cor.2:10-11; John 14:26; John 16:12-13)
- truth (1 John 5:6)
- good (Neh.9:20)
- communes with us (2 Cor.13:14)
- holy [for in the words “Holy Spirit” the word “holy” describes His character (Luke 11:13)]

WHY THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOD

The Holy Spirit:

- creates (Job 33:4; Psa.104:30)
- justifies (1 Cor.6:11)
- seals us for the day of redemption (Eph.1:13)
- gives life (John 6:63)
- is the author of the new birth (John 3:5-6)
- prophecies (2 Peter 1:21)
- convicts (John 16:8-11)
- speaks (Isa.6:8-10; Acts 5:3-5)

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His attributes affirm personality and deity.

THE TRINITY AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Attribute: Omnipresent (all-present):

FATHER: (Jeremiah 23:24)

SON: (Matthew 18:20)

HOLY SPIRIT: (Psalms 139:7)

THE TRINITY AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Attribute: Omniscient (all-knowing):

FATHER: (Jeremiah 17:10)

SON: (Revelation 2:23)

HOLY SPIRIT: (1 Corinthians 2:11)

THE TRINITY AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Attribute: Omnipotent (all-powerful):

FATHER: (1 Peter 1:5)

SON: (2 Corinthians 12:9)

HOLY SPIRIT: (Romans 15:9)

THE TRINITY AND ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

Attribute: Eternal:

FATHER: (Psalms 90:2)

SON: (Revelation 1:8, 17)

HOLY SPIRIT: (Hebrews 9:14)

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Attribute: Holy:

FATHER: (Revelation 15:4)

SON: (Acts 3:14)

HOLY SPIRIT: (Luke 1:15)

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Attribute: Truth:

FATHER: (John 7:28)

SON: (Revelation 3:7)

HOLY SPIRIT: (1 John 5:6)

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Attribute: Benevolent:

FATHER: (Romans 2:4)

SON: (Ephesians 5:25)

HOLY SPIRIT: (Nehemiah 9:20)

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Attribute: Communion:

FATHER: (1 John 1:3)

SON: (1 John 1:3)

HOLY SPIRIT: (2 Corinthians 13:14)

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As Jehovah

*(Exodus 17:7; Hebrews 3:7-9; Numbers 12:6; 2
Peter 1:21)*

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As Jehovah of hosts

(Isa.6:3,8-10; Acts 28:25)

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As Jehovah, Most High

(Psa.78:17,21; Acts 7:51)

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Being invoked as Jehovah

(Luke 2:26-29; Acts 4:23-25; 1:16,20; 2 Thess.3:5);

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As called God

(Acts 5:3-4)

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As joined with the Father & the Son in the
baptismal formula

(Matt.28:19)

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As eternal

(Hebrews 9:14)

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As omnipresent

(Psalms 139:7-13)

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As omniscient

(1 Cor.2:10)

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As omnipotent

(Luke 1:35; Romans 15:19)

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As the Spirit of glory and of God

(1 Pet.4:14)

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As Creator

(Gen.1:26,27; Job 33:4)

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As equal to, and one with the Father

(Matt.28:19; 2 Cor.13:14)

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As Sovereign Disposer of all things

(Dan.4:35; 1 Cor.12:6,11);

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As Author of the new birth

(John 3:5-6; 1 John 5:4)

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As raising Christ from the dead

(Acts 2:24; 1 Pet.3:18; Heb.13:20; Rom.1:4)

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As inspiring Scripture

(2 Tim.3:16; 2 Pet.1:21)

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As the source of wisdom

(1Cor.12:8; Isa.11:2; John 16:13; 14:26)

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As the source of miraculous power

(Matt.12:28; Luke 11:20; Acts 19:11, Rom.15:19)

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As appointing and sending ministers

(Acts 13:2,4; 9:38; 20:28)

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As directing where the gospel should be
preached

(Acts 16:6-7,10)

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As dwelling in saints

(John 14:17; 1 Cor.14:25; 3:16; 6:19)

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As Comforter of the Church

(Acts 9:31; 2 Cor.1:3)

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As sanctifying the Church

(Eze.37:28; Rom.15:16)

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As the Witness

(Heb.10:15; 1 John 5:9)

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As convincing of sin, of righteousness, and of
judgment

(John 16:8-11)

**THE TRINITY
IN THE BIBLE**

THE TRINITY IN THE BIBLE

First, the Bible does not have any verse that specifically uses the word trinity. However, it does have many verses that explain or reveal the Trinity as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Isaiah 48:16-17 makes a definitive statement revealing the Trinity. It reads, **“Come near me and listen to this: ‘From the first announcement, I have not spoken in secret; at the time it happens I am there.’ And now the Sovereign God has sent me, with his Spirit. This is what the Lord says – your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: ‘I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go.’”** This passage reveals God the Father sending His Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

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Second, certain passages reveal the Trinity by speaking of the worship of God in Trinitarian concepts. Numbers 6:24-26 reads, **“The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.”** Isaiah 6:3 says, **“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.”** In these two passages we see that the worship of God, using the words the Lord and holy, are repeated three times to reveal the tri-part Godhead.

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Third, the Trinity is revealed through the language used. In Isaiah 54:5, God is a plural noun. The word “maker” is plural. In Genesis 1:1, the Hebrew name for God, Elohim, is plural for Eloha, but the verb is singular.

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Fourth, in Genesis 1:26 and 3:22 as well as Isaiah 6:8, the pronouns used for God are in plural form. Isaiah 6:8 reads, **“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?’”** In Genesis 1:26 God says, **“Let us make man in our image, in our likeness...”** Genesis 3:22a says, **“And now the Lord God said, ‘The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil.’”** Also, in Genesis 11:7, after the inhabitants of the earth were constructing the tower of Babel, God says, **“Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”**

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Fifth, the Persons of the Godhead are distinguished from each other as God. In Psalm 2:7 it is written, **“I will proclaim the decree of the Lord: He said to me, ‘You are my Son; today I have become your Father.’”** Each part of the Trinity has a role to play in bringing about the majesty of God. Similarly in Isaiah 9:6 it is revealed, **“For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”** Names attributed to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are on this list.

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Sixth, Jesus taught that God is trinity. In John 14:16 and 15:26 he reveals the roles of the Godhead. In John 14:16-17a Jesus says, **“And I will ask the Father and he will give another Counselor to be with you forever – the Spirit of truth.”** The Spirit testifies to Jesus as revealed in John 15:26: **“When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me.”** Remember that in John 2:25, John writes that Jesus does not need testimony by men. And in John 5:31-38 Jesus says he has a testimony weightier than John the Baptist and that this testimony is valid. It is the testimony of the Father and the Spirit that Jesus upholds because each is the essence of the Godhead.

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Seventh, the baptism of Jesus exhibits the Trinity. Matthew 3:16-17 reads, **“As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.’”**

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Eighth, as Hebrews 9:13-14 explains, each member of the Godhead cooperates individually as God. It says, **“How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!”** Only God can forgive sins. Jesus offered himself as a sacrifice through the Spirit to the Father so that we can be saved. Through the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, we have forgiveness of sins.

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Finally, two other aspects reveal the Trinity in the Bible.

First, the New Testament church acknowledged the doctrine of the Trinity. In Matthew 28:19 Jesus commands, **“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”** By baptizing people in this way, the disciples showed that God was trinity.

Second, the New Testament church used Trinitarian formulas. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 13:14, **“May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”** Throughout the Bible, God is revealed as a tripartite being in its language, God’s statements to prophets, through Jesus’ words, and the early church leaders’ writings.

WE LOVE YOU HOLY SPIRIT!!!

LET'S PRAY:

Holy Spirit, we love You. You are God and You are so special. Sweet Spirit of Love, Grace, and Power come now and fill us with YOU. Fill us with All that You are. Fill us with Your Love, Grace, Power, Truth, Wisdom, Discernment, Holiness, and Life.

Holy Spirit, forgive us when we don't honor You as God. You are God and we love You. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen.

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