



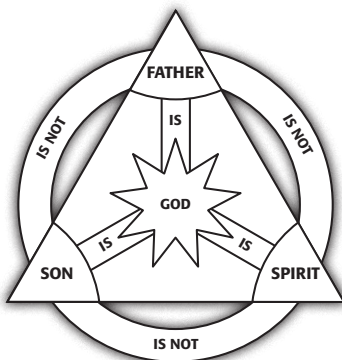
# TRINITY

Part 2: God the Son  
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**We believe that there is one God, Creator of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing as three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"), yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live. – *1 Corinthians 8:5-6*

I and the Father are one. – *John 10:30*



There are two words we must understand if we are to fully appreciate the beauty of the Trinity: Community and Unity

**The three persons of the Trinity work in unity and community to accomplish the will of God:**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will... – *Ephesians 1:3-5*

**God the Father: Blesses , Chooses and Adopts**

...to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. – *Ephesians 1:6-8*

**God the Son: Redeems , Forgives , Loves Extravagantly**

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory. – *Ephesians 1:13-14*

**God the Spirit: Seals**

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## **The doctrine of the Trinity changes our lives because we get to witness the role of God the Son as Savior:**

### **God the Son brought glory to His Father**

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. – *John 17:1-4*

### **God the Son accomplished the mission of His Father**

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost. – *Luke 19:10*

### **God the Son lived a sinless life**

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. – *Hebrews 4:15*

### **God the Son became my perfect sacrifice**

Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself. – *Hebrews 7:27*

### **God the Son offered personal forgiveness**

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."  
– *Luke 23:34*

### **God the Son will return (*Revelation 19:11-16*)**

*If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching.*

*My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.*  
– *John 14:23*

## **Next Steps**

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## **On Your Way Home**

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### **Small Group Discussion Questions**



- 1) Do you have a horrible family vacation story? What happened?
- 2) What are some of the most confusing aspects or questions you have encountered about the Trinity? Does anyone in the group have answers?
- 3) Read Hebrews 4:15 again. Why is the humanity of Jesus vitally important to us as people? Be careful on this one!
- 4) Unity and community are vital in understanding the Trinity. How are these two attributes lived out in your small group?
- 5) How can you live out "Trinitarian" love this week?
- 6) How can we pray for you tonight?