



# FIRST BAPTIST

## The Good News of the Trinity

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a. The Nicene Creed

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a. The Trinity is Good News because in it God \_\_\_\_\_

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(John 16:8)

c. The Trinity is Good News because it's how we know how to be \_\_\_\_\_

(Genesis 1:27)

d. The Trinity is Good News because it \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_

(Revelation 21:22)

<sup>26</sup>Eight days later His disciples were again inside, and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, the doors having been shut, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be to you." <sup>27</sup>Then He said to Thomas, "Place your finger here, and see My hands; and take your hand and put it into My side; and do not continue in disbelief, but be a believer." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen Me, have you now believed? Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed."

And God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "This is what you shall say to the sons of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

Exodus 3:14

"You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain.

Exodus 20:7

so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

Philippians 2:10

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

2 Corinthians 3:17

"Hear, Israel! The Lord is our God, the Lord is one!

Deuteronomy 6:4

<sup>2</sup>"I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>3</sup>"You shall have no other gods before Me.

Exodus 20:2-3

<sup>13</sup>Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan, coming to John to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup>But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have the need to be baptized by You, and yet You are coming to me?" <sup>15</sup>But Jesus, answering, said to him, "Allow it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. <sup>16</sup>After He was baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and settling on Him, <sup>17</sup>and behold, a voice from the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:13-17

I and the Father are one."

John 10:30

And He, when He comes, will convict the world regarding sin, and righteousness, and judgment:

John 16:8

So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:27

I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

Revelation 21:22

### The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.  
And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Francis Thompson, *The Hound of Heaven*, 1-15

I fled Him down the nights and down the days  
I fled Him down the arches of the years  
I fled Him down the labyrinthine ways  
Of my own mind; and in the midst of tears  
I hid from Him, and under running laughter.  
Up vistaed hopes I sped;  
And shot, precipitated  
Adown titanic glooms of chased fears  
From those strong Feet that followed, followed after  
But with unhurrying chase  
And unperturbed pace,  
Deliberate speed, majestic instancy,  
They beat—and a Voice beat,  
More instant than the Feet—  
'All things betray thee who betrayest me.'