

Holy Spirit – Part 2
Understanding the Trinity
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❖ **Keys from Part 1**

- Make coming to church a priority.
- Lean in.
 - Commit yourselves to godly things.
- Bring other people with you.
- Share your faith.

❖ **Why Is It Important to Understand the Trinity?**

- Without understanding God's triune nature, it is difficult to *fully* connect with Him.

Romans 1:18-20 [NKJV]

¹⁸ For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, ¹⁹ because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown *it* to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,...

❖ **3 Important Points**

1. The wrath of God will come upon all sinners.
 - a. Jesus takes this wrath for us through his crucifixion, as we accept him as our Savior.
2. We as people are without excuse.
 - a. God makes Himself known through creation.
3. The Bible uses the term "Godhead" as a description of God.
 - a. What is the Godhead?
 - i. The Father
 - ii. The Son
 - iii. The Holy Spirit

Genesis 1:26-27 [NIV]

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground." ²⁷ So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

Genesis 3:22 [NIV]

²² And the LORD God said, “The man has now become like one of us, knowing good and evil. He must not be allowed to reach out his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live forever.”

1 John 5:7 [NKJV]

²²For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

❖ The Bible Speaks of 2 Kinds of Unity

1. Absolute

- Abraham offered up his only son Isaac [Genesis 22:2]
 - Yachid
 - ◆ Hebrew for numerical “one”

2. Compounding

- Man must leave father and mother and they two shall be one flesh [Genesis 2:24]
- The people of Israel gathered together as one man [Ezra 3:1]

Deuteronomy 6:4 [NIV]

⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

- Echad
 - Hebrew for “compounding oneness”
- Elohim
 - *A uniplural word*
 - Equivalent to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

❖ Examples in Nature

➤ Water

1. Liquid
2. Solid
3. Gas

➤ Eternity

1. Past
2. Present
3. Future

- Man
 1. Spirit
 2. Soul
 3. Body

❖ **The Nature of The Godhead**

- Co-powerful
- Co-eternal
- Co-equal
- Unique Characteristics
 - The Father
 - The covenant maker and keeper
 - Sustainer
 - Light
 - Love
 - Omnipotent
 - Omnipresent
 - The Son
 - The eternal word
 - The mediator between the father and man
 - God in the flesh
 - Redeemer
 - Savior
 - The Holy Spirit
 - The inspirer
 - The revealer
 - The one who draws and leads
 - The comforter
 - The helper
 - The power of God in the earth

❖ **The Holy Spirit Is Not Simply:**

- A force
- An influence
- A symbol
- An “it”
 - He is a person

❖ **Why Could It Be Hard To Receive The Holy Spirit?**

- Fear
- Lack of understanding
- Misrepresentation

❖ **What Does the Holy Spirit Do?**

- Convicts, converts and empowers

- Glorifies Jesus
- Illuminates the Word of God
- Directs us and is with us

❖ **How Did Jesus Refer to Him?**

- With personal pronouns
 - He, Him and Holy Spirit

❖ **Holy Spirit Has Mind, Will and Emotions Just Like Us**

- Mind [Romans 8:27]
- Will [1 Corinthians 12:11]
- Emotions [Romans 15:30] [Colossians 1:8]

❖ **The Holy Spirit Loves to Help**

- He wants to help you in every way
 - Understanding the Bible
 - Knowing what to pray
 - Knowing what to say to impact the lives of others
 - Even going about your daily tasks