

Doctrine of God: The Trinity in Scripture

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Remember

- > We believe in One God in Three Persons
- > One Divine Essence in Three Persons
- > There is no verse that gives us this theology in this exact language; rather, what we have is a conclusion based off what we see in Scripture

God is One

> Deuteronomy 6:4-5, 32-35

> Deuteronomy 32:39

> Isaiah 45:22

God is One

> Christianity/Judaism is a *Monotheism*
(Monotheism comes from Greek: *μόνος* which means one or single, *θεός* which means God)

> There is one covenant God in general and or
Israel—the True Church

God is Three

- > Old Testament: *The Spirit*
 - Distinct from Yahweh (Gen. 1:1-2)
 - Gives the Words to the Prophets (Gen. 1:1-2, 2 Sam. 23:2, Ezek. 2:2)
 - Is sent to do the creative bidding of Yahweh (Psa. 104:30)

God is Three

- > Old Testament: *The Angel of the Lord*
 - Speaks as God and makes covenants with humanity Gen. 16:6-13
 - Spoke to Abraham in Gen. 21:11-12

God is Three

- > Old Testament: *The Messiah*
 - A human deliverer but much more than that (Isa. 52:13; 53:12)
 - Only God can forgive sins and provide salvation and is His! (Jonah 2:9)

God is Three

- > New Testament: *The Father, Son, and Spirit*
 - The Father (John 17:5)
 - The Son (John 1:1)
 - The Spirit (John 16:13-15)

- > There are plenty of other scriptures, but these particular one's are the richest and most profound!

One Essence, Three Persons

- > We do not know everything about the Trinity
- > Scripture tells us these persons have the quality of God
- > The point for us is to understand He is there in that He exists and exists in Three Divine Persons

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