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## The Trinity? Say What?!?! Bible Discussion Guide

*Everyone is encouraged to participate in the discussions, but no one is required to talk or read if they feel uncomfortable doing so.  
(<sup>Superscripted text</sup> in scripture passages are from the version's notes.)*

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### ICE BREAKERS

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1. What is the highest you can count in a language other than your native language(s).
  2. What is the most “jobs,” “hats,” or different responsibilities you have held at one time?
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### PRELUDE TO A STUDY ABOUT THE TRINITY

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The concept of God as “Trinity” is a theological construct created by men to help them wrap their minds around how God works. It is an attempt to understand how there can only be one God – a concept taught throughout scripture – and yet three (or more) beings called God, including God the Father (Yahweh/Jehovah), God the Son (Yeshua/Jesus Christ), and God the Holy Spirit(s). Many church and denominational leaders “get their panties in a wad” over the topic of the Trinity, the Triune God, or the Three in One. They fight and argue and divide the people of God over their understanding of the “Trinity” or God, “the three in one”.

There are several problems with this. First, you won’t find “trinity” or “three in one” in the Bible or in any 1<sup>st</sup> Century writings. (It turns up in the mid to late 2<sup>nd</sup> Century.) Second, what you believe about the Trinity does not affect your salvation. And third, arguments over this topic have divided churches and denominations and even families. Should this be so? Let’s ask Paul the Apostle.

#### 1 Corinthians 2:9-16 (HCSB)

*But as it is written: What eye did not see and ear did not hear, and what never entered the human mind—God prepared this for those who love Him.*

*Now God has revealed these things to us by the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the spirit of the man that is in him? In the same way, **no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.***

1. Based on this passage, can any human on earth really know how or why God works?
2. There is no clear reference in scripture to the details of how God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit are related or how they work or what they are like, and the concept of “Trinity” is not in scripture. Therefore, can anyone on earth actually give a definitive answer as to how the multiple beings can comprise one God or how one God can show out as three separate beings?

#### 2 Timothy 2:14-18, 22-24 (HCSB) Emphasis added

<sup>14-18</sup> *Remind them of these things, **charging them before God not to fight about words**; this is in no way profitable and leads to the ruin of the hearers. Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who doesn’t need to be ashamed, correctly teaching the word of truth. **But avoid irreverent, empty speech**, for this will produce an even greater measure of godlessness. And their word will spread like gangrene; . . .*

<sup>23-24</sup> ***But reject foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they breed quarrels. The Lord’s slave must not quarrel, but must be gentle to everyone, able to teach, and patient, instructing his opponents with gentleness.** Perhaps God will grant them repentance leading them to the knowledge of the truth. Then they may come to their senses and escape the Devil’s trap, having been captured by him to do his will.*

Titus 3:9-11 (NIV) Emphasis added

**But avoid foolish [Lit dull or stupid] controversies and genealogies and arguments and quarrels about the law, because these are unprofitable and useless. Warn a divisive person once, and then warn them a second time. After that, have nothing to do with them. You may be sure that such people are warped and sinful; they are self-condemned.**

3. What do these passages say about arguing about things in scripture? What do they say about arguing with other Christian brothers and sisters in general?
4. What are the outcomes of these types of arguments? Have those outcomes happened over the years in the body of Christ over the concept of “The Trinity”?

Philippians 3:14-15 (HCSB)

*I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God’s heavenly call in Christ Jesus. Therefore, all who are mature should think this way. **And if you think differently about anything, God will reveal this also to you. In any case, we should live up to whatever truth we have attained.***

5. How does Paul respond to those who think differently than he does? Does he kick them out of the congregation? Does he ridicule them or show contempt toward them?
6. What does he say we should do?

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## THE TRINITY? SAY WHAT?

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The words ‘the Trinity’ are the English equivalent of the Latin word Trinitas, which was coined by the early Christian writer Tertullian (ca. 160–225). The word, which, etymologically, means something like ‘the tripleness’, is used to refer collectively to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.<sup>1</sup>

While there are many variations, there are two primary camps of belief regarding this topic and I am going to put them in simple terms and avoid all the jargon and minutia.

The first camp includes those who believe that God is one being with three “personas” or “modes” – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are three identities of one person. This is based on the Deuteronomy 6:4 prelude to the 10 Commandments, “*Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.*” Adherents to this belief will use the phrase “triune God” - one being, eternally existing in three persons. Allegorically you could see this as a sole proprietorship where one individual performs multiple roles, such as CEO (The Father), COO (The Son), and CHRO<sup>2</sup> (The Holy Spirit) and switches between roles based on what needs to be done at a given time.

The second major camp includes those who believe that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit(s) are distinct entities who work in perfect unity to fulfill the role of God. You may hear these people use the term “Godhead,” but that term can also have other meanings. This group bases their beliefs on the numerous passages (below) that refer to two or three “persons” of the “Godhead” working together simultaneously in separate roles in the same event.

Allegorically you could see this as a Corporation with three Senior Managers, again, the CEO (The Father), COO (The Son), and CHRO (The Holy Spirit). But this time they are three separate individuals with separate personalities and separate roles who operate in perfect unity as a single management team with a single purpose, a single vision, and a single desire.

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<sup>1</sup> van Inwagen, Peter and Dan Howard-Snyder. The logical problem of the Trinity. Trinity, 1998, doi:10.4324/9780415249126-K105-1. Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Taylor and Francis, <https://www.rep.routledge.com/articles/thematic/trinity/v-1/sections/the-logical-problem-of-the-trinity>.

<sup>2</sup> Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operations Officer, and Chief Human Resources Officer

Now, let's look at a BUNCH of scripture and then try to distil it down. **Emphasis Added**

Matthew 3:16-17 (HCSB) See also Luke 3:21-22

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 alighting on him. And a **voice from heaven** said, *"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."*

Matthew 24:36-44 (HCSB) – The Father knows when the end comes but the Son does not!

<sup>36</sup> *"Now concerning that day and hour no one knows—neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son — except the Father only."*

Acts 1:4-5, 7-8 (NIV)

<sup>4-5</sup> *On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift **my Father** promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the **Holy Spirit.**" ...*

<sup>7-8</sup> *"It is not for you to know the times or dates the **Father** has set by his own authority. 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."*

Matthew 28:18-20 (NIV)

Then **Jesus** came to them and said, *"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to **me**. 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**, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."*

John 10:25-30 (HCSB) – The Father and I are One!

<sup>25</sup> *"I did tell you and you don't believe," Jesus answered them. "The works that I do in My Father's name testify about Me. ... <sup>30</sup> **The Father and I are one.**" [Lit **I and the Father—We are one.**]*

Acts 2:32-33 (NIV) – Peter speaking to the crowd on Pentecost Sunday!

**God** has raised this **Jesus** to life, and we are all witnesses of it. Exalted to the right hand of **God**, he has received from the **Father** the **promised Holy Spirit** and has poured out what you now see and hear.

7. After reading these passages, does the text seem to represent God as Triune (1 being with 3 personalities) or 3 working in perfect unity as one Godhead, or is it undecided?
8. What are some things in these passages that stand out to you in the decision-making process?

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### The "Husband, Father, Son" analogy.

I was raised in a denomination and household that largely believed in the One-God-three-personalities concept of the Trinity. It never computed for me. I always felt like that meant God had a multiple personality disorder. A common analogy I heard used to explain that theology is the "Husband, Father, Son" analogy. It states that a man can be a husband and relate one way with his wife, while he is also a son and relates a different way to his father, and while he is also a father and relates yet a third way to his children. Another is the H<sub>2</sub>O analogy – H<sub>2</sub>O can be in solid mode (ice), liquid mode (water), or gas mode (steam). To me, that one was just flat stupid. Water is not a living being. So here are the questions I struggled with:

9. Can a man in "Father Mode" keep a secret from himself in "Son Mode" or "Husband mode"? (Matthew 24:36-44) If a man is with his dad, his wife, and his child, he can be in all three modes at

the same time. But can he do three different things working from the three different modes at the same time?

10. If the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are all really just one being with different modes, isn't it redundant to call out all three names during a baptism, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit"? Why not just say "I baptize you in the name of God?" (Matthew 28:18ff)
11. If God is one 3-part being, how does it make sense for God the Father to call out to himself as Son and say "This is my son me and I love me and I'm really proud of me" with himself as Holy Spirit as a witness? (Matthew 3:16-17 and Luke 3:21-22)
12. If God is one 3-part being, why did Jesus mode of God have to pray to Father mode of himself through the Holy Spirit mode of himself in the Garden of Gethsemane, "My Father! If it is possible, let this cup pass from Me. Yet not as I will, but as You will."? ([Matthew 26:39](#))

The Gospel John wrote had possibly the most powerful influence on me in developing my understanding of the Godhead. Chapters 14, 15, and 17 all have multiple passages where Jesus is talking about his Father as a separate entity but chapter 17 wins the prize.

13. In John 17, how many different combinations of "we are one" are mentioned and who is involved in the "we are one"?

#### John 17 (HCSB) – The High Priestly Prayer of Jesus – **Emphasis added**

<sup>1a</sup> *Jesus spoke these things, looked up to heaven, and said:*

<sup>1b-5</sup> *Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son so that the Son may glorify You, for You gave Him authority over all flesh; so He may give eternal life to all You have given Him. This is eternal life: that they may know You, the only true God, and the One You have sent—Jesus Christ. I have glorified You on the earth by completing the work You gave Me to do. Now, Father, glorify Me in Your presence with that glory I had with You before the world existed.*

#### **Jesus Prays for His Disciples**

<sup>6-8</sup> *I have revealed Your name to the men You gave Me from the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they know that all things You have given to Me are from You, because the words that You gave Me, I have given them. They have received them and have known for certain that I came from You. They have believed that You sent Me.*

<sup>9-10</sup> *I pray for them. I am not praying for the world but for those You have given Me, because they are Yours. **Everything I have is Yours, and everything You have is Mine**, and I have been glorified in them.*

<sup>11</sup> *I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, protect them by Your name that You have given Me, **so that they may be one as We are one**.* <sup>12</sup> *While I was with them, I was protecting them by Your name that You have given Me. I guarded them and not one of them is lost, except the son of destruction, so that the Scripture may be fulfilled.*

<sup>13-19</sup> *Now I am coming to You, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have My joy completed in them. I have given them Your word. The world hated them because they are not of the world, as I am not of the world. I am not praying that You take them out of the world but that You protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, as I am not of the world. Sanctify them by the truth; Your word is truth. As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. I sanctify Myself for them, so they also may be sanctified by the truth.*

#### **Jesus Prays for All Believers**

<sup>20-23</sup> *I pray not only for these, but also for those who believe in Me through their message. <sup>21</sup> **May they all be one, as You, Father, are in Me and I am in You. May they also be one in Us, so the world may believe You sent Me. I have given them the glory You have given Me. May they be one as We are***

**one. I am in them and You are in Me. May they be made completely one, so the world may know You have sent Me and have loved them as You have loved Me.**

*<sup>24-26</sup> Father, I desire those You have given Me to be with Me where I am. Then they will see My glory, which You have given Me because You loved Me before the world's foundation. Righteous Father! The world has not known You. However, I have known You, and these have known that You sent Me. I made Your name known to them and will make it known, so the love You have loved Me with may be in them and I may be in them.*

14. In verse 11, Jesus prays, "Holy Father, protect them by Your name that You have given Me, so that they may be one as We are one." If the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are one being with multiple personalities, how can we become one just as the Father and Son are one? Can we give up our personal beings and be joined into one being with multiple personalities? If the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are three beings with one perfectly united purpose, can we become one with them and with each other just like they are one?

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## Two become one

Genesis 2:24 (HCSB)

*That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.*

Matthew 19:4-6 (HCSB)

*"Haven't you read," He replied, "that He who created them in the beginning made them male and female," and He also said: "For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, man must not separate."*

Ephesians 5:31-32 (HCSB)

*"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh." This is a profound mystery—but I am talking about Christ and the [called out ones].*

In both Old and New Testaments, we read that when a man and a woman have sex they become "one flesh." We are also taught by Paul that this is an analogy of the relationship between Christ and the called out ones (us). The term for "one" in "one flesh" is exactly the same term as used in "The Lord our God, the Lord is one." But there is more...

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## Many are One

Romans 12:4-5 (HCSB)

*Now as we have many parts in one body, and all the parts do not have the same function, in the same way we who are many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another.*

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (NIV)

*<sup>4-6</sup> There are different kinds of gifts, but the same **Spirit** distributes them.*

*There are different kinds of service, but the same **Lord**.*

*There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same **God** at work.*

*<sup>12-20</sup> For as the body is one and has many parts, and all the parts of that body, though many, are one body—so also is Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. So the body is not one part but many. If the foot should say, "Because I'm not a hand, I don't belong to the body," in spite of this it still belongs to the body. And if the ear should say, "Because I'm not an eye, I don't belong to the*



body,” in spite of this it still belongs to the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But now God has placed each one of the parts in one body just as He wanted. And if they were all the same part, where would the body be? Now there are many parts, yet one body.

Ephesians 4:4-6 (NIV)

There is **one** body and **one** Spirit, just as you were called to **one** hope when you were called; **one** Lord, **one** faith, **one** baptism; **one** God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

Like the relationship between a husband and wife, in the New Testament we are repeatedly told that we are “one body” and we are to be “united” and that we are “individually members of one another.”

15. If the relationship between Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the relationship between a man and a woman and the relationship between Christian brothers and sisters are all supposed to be the same, what would that relationship be like? Would it more likely be one being with multiple personalities or multiple beings with one purpose?

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**WOULD THE NUMBER 3 BE ACCURATE? IS GOD A TRINITY, OR A NOVEMITY?**

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While many passages in the New Testament talk about the Father, the Son, and THE Holy Spirit, there are many passages in both the Old and New Testaments that talk about the 7 spirits of God. So, would it be the Father, Son, and Seven Spirits, a Novemity instead of a Trinity?

Revelation 3:1 (HCSB) Emphasis added

*“To the angel [messenger] of the church in Sardis write:*

*These are the words of him who holds the **seven spirits** of God and the seven stars. I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but you are dead.*

Greek: hepta (seven) pneumata (spirits)

Zechariah 4:10 (NIV)

*“Who dares despise the day of small things, since the seven eyes of the Lord that range throughout the earth will rejoice when they see the chosen capstone[a] in the hand of Zerubbabel?”*

Revelation 1:4-6 (NIV)

John,

To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Revelation 4:5 (HCSB)

Flashes of lightning and rumblings of thunder came from the throne. Seven fiery torches were burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God.

Revelation 5:6 (HCSB)

Then I saw One like a slaughtered lamb standing between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders. He had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent into all the earth.

Isaiah 11:2

Isaiah 11:2 (HCSB)

*The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him—  
a Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
a Spirit of counsel and strength,  
a Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.*

Isaiah 11:2 (NET)

*The Lord's Spirit will rest on him—  
a Spirit that gives extraordinary wisdom,  
a Spirit that provides the ability to execute plans,  
a Spirit that produces absolute loyalty to the Lord.*

Isaiah 11:2 – Hebrew interlinear

וְנָחָה	עָלָיו	רוּחַ	יְהוָה	רוּחַ	חֵכְמָה	וּבִינָה	רוּחַ	עֵצָה
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and·she-rests	on·him	spirit-of	Yahweh	spirit-of	wisdom	and·understanding	spirit-of	counsel
וּגְבוּרָה	רוּחַ	דַּעַת	וַיְרֵאֲתָ	יְהוָה	:			
u·gbure	ruch	doth	u·irath	ieue	:			
and·mastery	spirit-of	knowledge	and·fear-of	Yahweh				

**17 more passages that reference all three persons of the Trinity.**

Matthew 12:28 (NIV)

*But if it is by the Spirit of God that I drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.*

John 14:15-17, 23-26 (NIV)

<sup>15-17</sup> *"If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth."*

<sup>23-24</sup> *"Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me."*

<sup>25-26</sup> *"All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you."*

John 15 (NIV)

<sup>26</sup> *"When the Advocate 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.*

Acts 10:36-38 (NIV)

*You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached—how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.*

Romans 1:4 (NASB)

*Who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord . . .*

Romans 8:9 (NASB)

*However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.*

1 Corinthians 6:11 (NASB)

*Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.*

1 Corinthians 8:5-6 (HCSB)

<sup>5-6</sup> *For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth—as there are many “gods” and many “lords”—  
yet for us there is one God, the Father. All things are from Him, and we exist for Him.  
And there is one Lord, Jesus Christ. All things are through Him, and we exist through Him.*

2 Corinthians 13:14 (NASB)

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.*

Galatians 4:6 (NASB)

*Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”*

Ephesians 1:17 (NASB)

*That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him.*

Ephesians 2:18, 22 (NASB)

*For through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.  
In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.*

Titus 3:6 (NASB)

*Whom [the Holy Spirit] He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.*

Hebrews 9:14 (NASB)

*How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

1 Peter 1:2 (NASB)

*According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood: may grace and peace be yours in the fullest measure.*

Eph 1:13-14 (NIV)

*And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you 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.*

Jude 1:20-21 (NIV)

*But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.*



## PASTORAL BLESSING

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God scripted the first pastoral blessing which the priests were to say over the people at each gathering. It is recorded in [Numbers 6:22-27](#) (NIV):

*The Lord said to Moses,*

*“Tell Aaron and his sons, ‘This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them:*

*‘The Lord bless you and keep you;*

*the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;*

*the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.’*

*“So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.”*

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## FOR YOUR PERSONAL QUIET TIME

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In John 17:11, Jesus prayed to the Father for us, *“Holy Father, protect them by Your name that You have given Me, so that they may be one as We are one.”*

In [John 14:15-17, 23-26](#) (NIV), Jesus says to us,

*<sup>15-17</sup> “If you love me, keep my commands. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth.”*

*<sup>23-24</sup> “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.”*

*<sup>25-26</sup> “All this I have spoken while still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”*

1. Reflect on these passages. If, as Jesus says, you are one with Him and His Father and the Holy Spirit is your advocate, what does that mean for you?

In Romans 8:31 Paul says, “If God is for us, who can be against us.”

2. If you are one with God, what do you have to be afraid of? What do you have to look forward to?
3. What is one thing you can do to help build unity and oneness in your family? In your fellowship of believers?

God’s blessings on you,



## RESOURCES

If you want to dive DEEPLY into a contemporary discussion of Trinity, consider the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy topic “Trinity” (<https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/trinity>.) and the supplement, “History of Trinitarian Doctrines” (<https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/trinity/trinity-history.html>). *Note that I have not read the whole of either of them.*

### Ms. Holy Spirit

#### Numbers 11:26 (NET)

But two men remained in the camp; one’s name was Eldad, and the other’s name was Medad. And the Spirit rested on them. (Now they were among those in the registration,[a] but had not gone to the tabernacle.) So they prophesied in the camp.

11:26 וַיִּשָּׂאֲרוּ                      שְׁנֵי - אַנְשִׁים      בַּמַּחֲנֶה      שֵׁם      הָאֶחָד      אֶלְדָּד      וְשֵׁם      אֶלְדָּד      וְשֵׁם  
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הַשֵּׁנִי              מִיָּדָד      וַתָּנַח      עֲלֵיהֶם      הַרוּחַ      וְהָמָּה      בְּכַתְּבִים                      וְלֹא  
e·shni              midd      u·thnch                      oli·em      e·ruch              u·eme              b·kthbim                      u·la  
the·second      Medad      and·she-is-resting      on·them      the·spirit      and·they      in·ones-being-written      and·not

וַיֵּצְאוּ                      הָאֹהֶלָה                      וַיִּתְנַבְּאוּ                      בַּמַּחֲנֶה                      :  
itzau                              e·ael·e                              u·ithnbau                              b·mchne                              :  
they-went-forth      the·tent·ward      and·they-are-<sup>s</sup>prophesying      in·the·camp

#### Numbers 24:2 (NET)

*When Balaam lifted up his eyes, he saw Israel camped tribe by tribe; and the Spirit of God came upon him.*

24:2 וַיִּשָּׂא                      בַלְעָם      אֶת - עֵינָיו                      וַיִּרְא                      אֶת - יִשְׂרָאֵל      שְׁכֵן  
u·isha                              blom      ath - oini·u                              u·ira                              ath - ishral      shkn  
and·he-is-lifting      Balaam      »      eyes-of·him      and·he-is-seeing      »      Israel      tabernacling

לְשִׁבְטָיו                      וַתְּהִי                      עָלָיו      רוּחַ                      אֱלֹהִים :  
l·shbti·u                              u·thei                              oli·u      ruch                              aleim :  
to·tribes-of·him      and·she-is-becoming      on·him      spirit-of      Elohim

#### Judges 3:10 (NET)

*The Lord’s Spirit empowered him and he led Israel. When he went to do battle, the Lord handed over to him King Cushan Rishathaim of Armon and he overpowered him [or: ...and she (the Spirit) was his strong hand over Cushan-Rishataim].*

3:10 וַתְּהִי                      עָלָיו      רוּחַ                      יְהוָה      וַיִּשְׁפֹּט                      אֶת - יִשְׂרָאֵל  
u·thei                              oli·u      ruch                              - ieue      u·ishpht                              ath - ishral  
and·she-is-becoming      on·him      spirit-of      Yahweh      and·he-is-judging      »      Israel

וַיֵּצֵא                      לְמַלְחָמָה                      וַיִּתֵּן                      יְהוָה      בְּיָדוֹ                      אֶת - רוּשֵׁתַיִם - כּוּשָׁן  
u·itza                              l·mlchme                              u·ithn                              ieue      b·id·u                              ath - kushn-rshothim  
and·he-is-going-forth      to·the·war      and·he-is-giving      Yahweh      in·hand-of·him      »      Cushan-Rishataim

מֶלֶךְ      אֲרָם      וַתְּזֹז                      יָדוֹ                      עַל      כּוּשָׁן-רִשְׁתַּיִם :  
mlk      arm      u·thoz                              id·u                              ol      kushn-rshothim :  
king-of      Aram      and·she-is-being-strong      hand-of·him      over      Cushan-Rishataim

Judges 6:34

*The Lord's Spirit took control of Gideon. He blew a trumpet, summoning the Abiezrites to follow him.*

6:34 וְרוּחַ יְהוָה לְבָשָׂה אֶת־גִּדְעוֹן וַיִּתְקַע בְּשׁוֹפָר  
 u·ruch ieue lbshe ath - gdoun u·ithqo b·shuphr  
 and·spirit-of Yahweh she-clothed » Gideon and·he-is-blowing in.the.trumpet

וַיִּזְעַק אַחֲרָיו אֲבִיעֶזֶר :  
 u·izoq abiozr achri·u :  
 and·he-is-being-convoked Abiezer after·him

Judges 11:29 (NET)

*The Lord's Spirit empowered Jephthah. He passed through Gilead and Manasseh and went[b] to Mizpah in Gilead. From there he approached the Ammonites.*

11:29 וַתְּהִי עַל־יִפְתָּח רוּחַ יְהוָה וַיַּעֲבֹר אֶת־הַגִּלְעָד  
 u·thei ol - iphthch ruch ieue u·iobr ath - e·glod  
 and·she-is-becoming on Jephthah spirit-of Yahweh and·he-is-crossing » the·Gilead

וְאֶת־מְנַשֶּׁה וַיַּעֲבֹר מִצְפָּה אֶת־גִּלְעָד וּמִמְצִפֵּה גִלְעָד  
 u·ath - mnshe u·iobr ath - mtzphe glod u·m·mtzphe glod obr  
 and· » Manasseh and·he-is-passing » Mizpah-of Gilead and·from·Mizpah-of Gilead he-passed

בְּנֵי עַמּוֹן :  
 bni omun :  
 sons-of Ammon

1 Samuel 10:10 (NET)

*When Saul and his servant arrived at Gibeah, a company of prophets was coming out to meet him. Then the Spirit of God rushed upon Saul and he prophesied among them.*

10:10 וַיָּבֹאוּ שָׁם הַנְּבִיָּאִים וַהֲגִיהָ חֶבֶל נְבִיאִים לְקִרְאָתוֹ  
 u·ibau shm e·gboth·e u·ene chbl - nbaim l·qrath·u  
 and·they-are-coming there the·Gibeah·ward and·behold ! line-of prophets to·to-meet-of·him

וַתִּצְלַח עָלָיו רוּחַ יְהוָה וַיִּתְנַבֵּא אֱלֹהִים וַיִּתְנַבֵּא בְּתוֹכָם  
 u·tztzlch oli·u ruch ieue u·ithnba aleim u·ithnba b·thuk·m :  
 and·she-is-prospering on·him spirit-of Elohim and·he-is-="prophesying in·midst-of·them

Isaiah 11:2

Isaiah 11:2 (HCSB)

*The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him—  
 a Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
 a Spirit of counsel and strength,  
 a Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.*

Isaiah 11:2 (NET)

*The Lord's Spirit will rest on him—  
 a Spirit that gives extraordinary wisdom,  
 a Spirit that provides the ability to execute plans,  
 a Spirit that produces absolute loyalty to the Lord.*

וְנָחָה עָלָיו רוּחַ יְהוָה וְרוּחַ חֵכְמָה וּבִינָה רוּחַ עֵצָה  
 u·nche oli·u ruch ieue ruch chkme u·bine ruch otze  
 and·she-rests on·him spirit-of Yahweh spirit-of wisdom and·understanding spirit-of counsel

וְגִבּוּרָה רוּחַ דַּעַת וַיְרֵאתָ יְהוָה :  
 u·gbure ruch doth u·irath ieue :  
 and·mastery spirit-of knowledge and·fear-of Yahweh