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Trinity

The Trinity

The concept of the “Trinity”, which signifies the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit as simultaneously three distinct individuals and one entity, does not appear in the Bible. Despite multiple references to all three divine figures, the actual term “Trinity” is conspicuously absent from the scripture.

God the Father

Creator
Holy
Almighty
All Knowing
Everlasting

God the Son

Redeemer
Savior
Messiah
Lord
Emmanuel

God the Holy Spirit

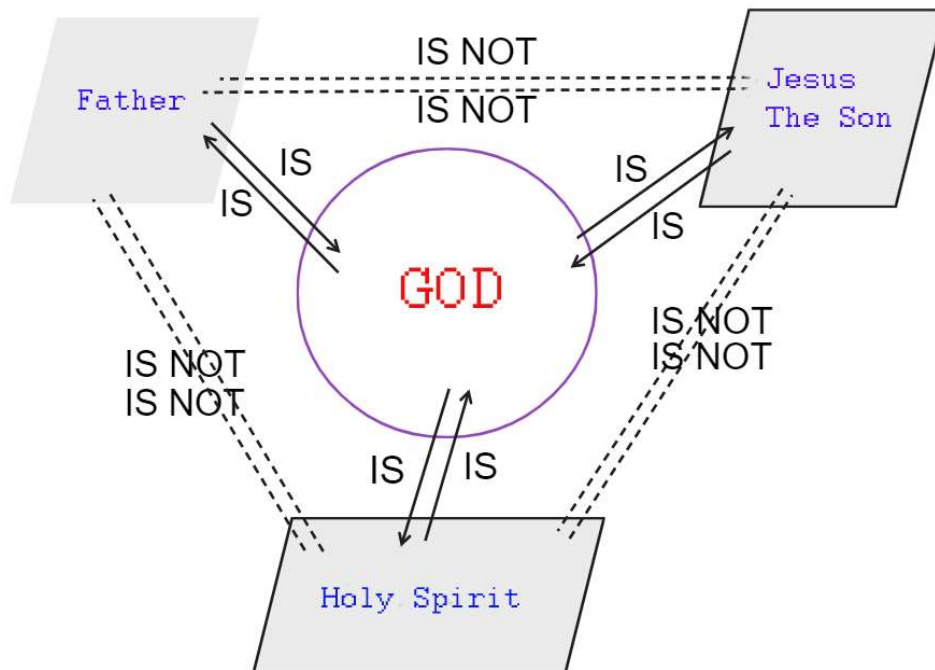
Advocate
Guide
Helper
Counselor

The individual members of the Trinity have different tasks.

The Father is the ultimate source or cause of the universe (1 Corinthians 8:6; Revelation 4:11); divine revelation (Revelation 1:1); salvation (John 3:16-17); and Jesus' human works (John 5:17; 14:10). **The Father initiates all of these things.**

The Son is the agent through whom the Father does the following works: the creation and maintenance of the universe (1 Corinthians 8:6; John 1:3; Colossians 1:16-17); divine revelation (John 1:1, 16:12-15; Matthew 11:27; Revelation 1:1); and salvation (2 Corinthians 5:19; Matthew 1:21; John 4:42). **The Father does all these things through the Son, who functions as His agent.**

The Holy Spirit is the means by whom the Father does the following works: creation and maintenance of the universe (Genesis 1:2; Job 26:13; Psalm 104:30); divine revelation (John 16:12-15; Ephesians 3:5; 2 Peter 1:21); salvation (John 3:6; Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 1:2); and Jesus' works (Isaiah 61:1; Acts 10:38). **Thus, the Father does all these things by the power of the Holy Spirit.**



Wondering How We Pray ?

Just like we sometimes choose which friend we confide in based on the nature of our problem, it is perfectly OK to speak directly to each person of the Trinity when it feels more natural to do so.

1. God the Father

Most prayer is directed to God the Father. Jesus teaches us to pray to the Father, and He prays to the Father throughout His time on Earth (John 16:23 and John 17:1-26).

When we are saved, God becomes our Father, too (John 1:12). We can bring any request before Him, and He will hear us (Philippians 4:6).

2. Jesus the Son

The most basic prayer of the human heart is "Save me!" As our Savior, Jesus hears this prayer and will always answer it. When people around us are saved, it's only natural to praise Jesus for His work on the cross. Jesus removed our sin and presents us as righteous before God the Father (1 John 1:9). When we pray "in Jesus' name," we're praying with His authority.

Jesus is truly God and truly man. He came like a servant and took on human likeness (Philippians 2:7). As a result, it's often easier to pray to Jesus when our feelings are tender or we're feeling weak.

3. The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is a person just like Jesus and the Father are. He guides us, comforts us, and helps us remember Jesus' words (John 14:26). The Holy Spirit also gives us the ability to experience love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22). If you need an extra dose of any of those qualities, by all means, ask Him directly.

We enjoy fellowship with every person of the Trinity when we pray. After all, there's nothing one person is involved with that the two aren't. So whether we pray to the Father, to the Son, or to the Holy Spirit, the critical thing is that we pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).