

Truths to die for – Trinity

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“God is triune - Father, Son and Holy Spirit unified in the Godhead.”

What does the statement mean?

One God ... three persons.

The Creed of Athanasius

“we worship one God in trinity and Trinity in unity. Neither confounding the persons; nor dividing the substance”.

co exist ... co eternal ... co equal.

What does the bible say about it?

Firstly... only one God.

Deut 6:4 4 – “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.”

James 2:19 – “You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.”

(Exodus 3:13-15, 20:2-3 2, 1 Cor 8:4,6, 1 Tim 2:5-6)

Secondly... God is also plural.

Gen 1:26, “Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule...”

Gen 11:7, “Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.”

Isaiah 6:8, “Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

Matthew 28:19, “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”

Not separate names

2 Cor 13:14, “May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

See also Acts 2:33-38, Luke 24:49, Jude 20-21, 1 Peter 1:1-2

Are all three are divine?**a) The Father is divine****1 Cor 8:6, “one God, the Father from whom all things come from”****Matthew 6:26-32****b) Jesus is divine****Jesus obviously thought he was divine.****Scripture promised the Messiah would be divine****- Isaiah 9:6, John 20:30-31 Mark 1:1, Heb 1:3,****c) The Spirit is Divine*****Acts 5:3, “Then Peter said, “Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? Didn’t it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn’t the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied just to men but to God.”*****Why does it matter?****Authority of Scripture.****Who God is****God is love****Relationships****Trust****Redemption****Where to from here?**