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THE TRINITY MAKES SENSE

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Redemption, The Church, and Prayer

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**Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was
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The Trinity Makes Sense AT the Cross

**The Trinity Makes Sense
OF the Cross**

The Father was Transcendent
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And when Jesus had cried out with a loud voice, He said, "Father, 'into Your hands I commit My spirit.'" Having said this, He breathed His last.

LUKE 23:46

So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, “It is finished!” And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

JOHN 19:30

**Who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was
raised because of our justification.**

ROMANS 4:25

To whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

ACTS 1:3

**The Trinity Makes Sense
with Regards to the Church**

Father Son Holy Spirit

**How Does Prayer and
the Trinity Make Sense?**

Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples."

LUKE 11:1

Apostles Prayer Model

Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father.

JOHN 14:12

**And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that
the Father may be glorified in the Son.**

JOHN 14:13

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Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

ROMANS 8:26

DivineNet

Prayer and the Trinity Make Sense

The Trinity *Makes* Sense

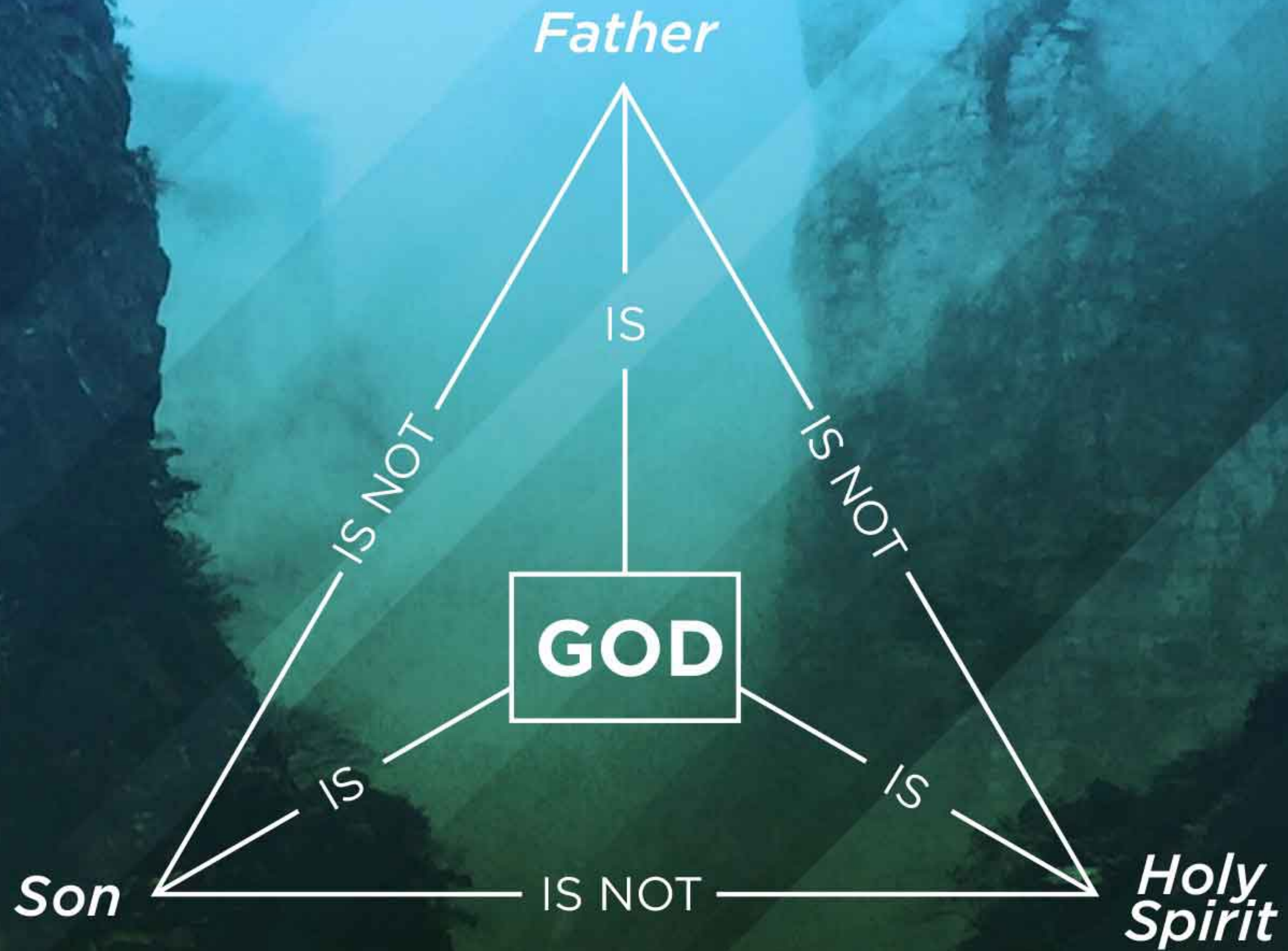
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**7 The Spirit is the 'DivineNet' whereby
anyone anywhere can pray to the Father
by the Spirit thru the Son!**



The Trinity Makes Sense 2 Timothy 1:9

Let us pray Welcome Streamers

- On January 24 Pastor Dave began his exposition of **Genesis**, chapter 1 verse 1 'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.'
- He took us on an extraordinary journey of what the Scriptures teach us about God's singular unity and His Triunity of personalities.
- We are not going back to talk about the fact of the 'Triunity' or 'Trinity,' if you prefer
- We learned from his Introduction to Genesis on January 17....
- That time, the earth, the heavens, the angels were created.. 'in the beginning...'
- What was left to be created is found in the six days of creation that Pastor Dave will get to soon!

But today we are examining with our feeble, finite minds why, 'The Trinity Makes Sense'

- We start by asking this question: Are there any verses in the Bible that take us back before Gen. 1:1?
- The answer is yes!
- That place, before Gen. 1:1 has no time, no physical substances; neither were created yet, ...
- No space, no heavens, no angels, no earth....only God ...
- If God is a triunity of persons we would expect to see them before any creation, and we do...
- It is a place, due to the fact of the Triune personality of God,
- Where there is interaction, fellowship, planning between the members of the Godhead!

Our pre-Gen. 1:1 verse is 2 Timothy 1:9

- 2 Tim. 1:9** ..., 9 (God from v.8) who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose or '*plan*' and grace which was given to us in **Christ Jesus** before time began,
- We see two members of the Trinity here, God the Father and Christ Jesus
- v.10** gives us more details of this 'plan': ...*but this plan has now been revealed or made clear by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has....* for 3 years plus gave us the details of that plan to
-v.10 cont.** ...abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ...

So before, 'In the Beginning God created'

- there was the content of 2Timothy 1:9 and what do we have Gen. 1:1
- 1-A God who saved us, we who were not created yet
- 2-We were saved from something we needed to be saved from.... perhaps death, whatever that is!
- 3-He did so by calling us to a holy or separate way of saving us which does not include our works
- 4-This plan of salvation includes the abolishing of death and bringing life to light thru good news
- 5-He has a purpose or plan for us and 'grace' to achieve it thru Christ Jesus

Which leads us to ask if we are not saved by our works, whose works will save us?

We have the answer in another pre-Gen. 1:1 verse...

Revelation 13:8b gives us our answer...

- ... I'm only going to quote the last half of the verse 13, to avoid distraction
- It reads: ..**the Lamb slain** (or murdered, 'slain' is a perfect participle)....
- When was He slain? **from or before the foundation of the world.**
- There is a work that would save us or unleash His grace to save us.....
- This work involves the slaying of a lamb...

Who is this Lamb? Revelation 13:8 does not tell us

- 1 Peter 1:19-20** is another pre-Gen.1:1 verse that identifies who the lamb is...

1 Peter 1:19-20 reads ...19 but we were redeemed with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb (Rev. 13:8 anyone!) without blemish and without spot (thus perfect). 20 He indeed was foreordained (when did this foreordaining occur?) **before** the foundation of the world,

-Foreordained for what? To shed His precious blood as a lamb without blemish

Who offered this lamb for sacrifice?

-The third member of the Trinity controlled all of the offering process....

-Heb. 9:14 tells us ... **how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God** [the Father],

OK But How does this have anything to do with you or with me?

1 Peter 1:20 continues and tells us.... **but Christ was manifest in these last times for you.**

-Who was manifest in these last times?

-The perfect spotless lamb who was foreordained before Gen. 1:1, to shed His precious blood for **you & I.**

So we see in our verses our need for salvation spoken of and prepared before Gen. 1:1

-Before the beginning, before God created the Heavens and the Earth....

-Before the Six Days of creation and thus before us!

-We see the trinity planning the death of one of its own!

The word manifest in 1Peter 1:20 is significant in our discussion of why 'The Trinity Makes Sense'

-Again **1 Peter 1:20b** reads again **but was manifest in these last times for you.**

-It means to 'reveal', to 'make clear', it also means to 'appear in person'

How does God even begin to Manifest Himself?

-Creation manifests His power, His creativity, His beauty, His intelligence,,,

-It screams out, 'someone intelligent made all of this!'

-Then He manifested Himself through words, through His names

-His many names also manifest God's Tri-unity

-According to 'Christian Answers.net' there are approx. 950 Names and titles of God in the Scriptures

-All manifest, reveal, describe, make clear who God is in His triune manifestation

-Yet the same Scriptures maintain His oneness in essence: one God, one Lord...

-And finally we have one ultimate manifestation, God appearing in person in Jesus Christ

Here are Three key areas where the Trinity makes Sense

1-The Incarnation of Redemption

2-The Church

3-The Believer's Prayers

-The central 'name of God', in my opinion, in this the Age of Grace

-Is the name of God given by Jesus Himself in **Matthew 28:19**

-We did an extensive teaching on this verse, Titled, 'What's In a Name?', July 7, 2015

'The Name' is given to us after Jesus' ministry of 3 plus years, and it was given

-After His death, burial and resurrection but before His ascension

-Here is what He proclaimed:

Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

-Note the following: There is only one name with three nouns & one adjective, the word, 'Holy':

Father Son Holy Spirit

-And because these are common words in any culture the definite article **'the'** is before each designation...

The Father, The Son, The Holy Spirit

-Since there is only one God

-Therefore, there is only a singular name for God

-A singular name composed of what we call three titles: **The Father, The Son, The Holy Spirit**

-Each is of the same essence, one God... though each when manifested has different attributes

-God in His essence is three things according to the Apostle John: **Spirit, Light and Love**

-When the three persons work seemingly individually and seemingly apart from the other two....

-The other two are there in the background, so to speak, because there is only one God, not three

Let Me explain....

-Each member of the Godhead is dominant in different roles, for different tasks at different times

-They work together submitting to, yet honoring each other as a 'mutual admiration fellowship'

-While one seems to be dominant at the moment the other two are working, invisible if you will

-This our brain has a hard time understanding

-The engineer/accountant in you wants, for clarity's sake

-... 'One God, not one who is manifested in three persons'

-Or you want to go to 'three Gods that are not of the same essence.'

But the Scriptures won't let us go to three gods

-Turn to **John 14:1**

14:1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God [The Father], believe also in Me [Why? for I am God]. 2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

-So Jesus is going away to prepare a place for us keep that in mind

Now go down to v.7 "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from now on you know Him and have seen Him." 8 Philip said to Him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is sufficient for us."

9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father (not His likeness, but seen Him); so how can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me (we are one, we are of the same essence, though I am dominant right now, but the Father is here in Me!)?

-The Father son likeness is uncanny!... One God yet there is the Father and the Son

Now Jump down to v.16

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

17 He then identifies the Helper ...the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him (How? Thru gifting & because they know Jesus, they know the Spirit), for He [The Spirit] dwells with you and will (..in John 20, after my resurrection) be in you.

-Have they talked to the Spirit to know him?

-No they talked to and walked with Jesus: the Spirit and Jesus are of the same essence.

-So in summary ...See and Know Jesus, and therefore see and know the Father!

-Know Jesus, know the Spirit. One God

What do we know so far?

-Jesus is going away and will be a general contractor in Heaven, building out Mansions

-We know from a conversation with Phillip that if he sees Jesus he is seeing the Father

-We also know that Jesus will pray to the Father who is in Heaven and ask Him to give another Helper

-We know the Helper because we know Jesus who is God just like the Spirit is God

- The Spirit is currently with them but in the near future He will be in them!
- To replace Him when He goes to Heaven so He can start His building project

Now jump down to v.23

23 Jesus answered and said to him (Judas not Iscariot), **"If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We [Father & Jesus] will come to him** (the one who loves Him) **and make Our home with him.**

- But isn't Jesus going to Heaven to be with the Father and start His construction project?
- Although the Holy Spirit has the lead role when it comes to making a home in us...
- ...While Jesus is making a home for us in Heaven
- And because there is only one God, Jesus reminds us here...
- ...That the Father and the Son will also make their home in us, when God the Holy Spirit does
- Why? because there is only one God even though the Spirit takes the lead here

In Summary: God is one, even when one of the three persons of the Trinity takes a lead role for a certain purpose

Chafer says this about the Trinity and our struggle to go monotheistic, without 3 persons or go polytheistic with three gods....

"Burden is laid upon the student of the Bible to recognize that, regardless of how difficult the teachings of the Godhead are, we are appointed to discover and defend the truth that the Bible is monotheistic to the last degree, contending, as it does, that there is one God and only one; yet just as certainly as it asserts that there is only one God it asserts throughout that God subsists in three definite and identified Persons."

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- Modalism** on the Left (God manifests Himself in different modes as the need arises)
- Arianism** on the Right (Only the Father is God, the Son & the Spirit were created) or Polytheism

The Trinitarian singular name, Father Son Holy Spirit....

- Makes perfect sense when it comes to three major doctrines:

Redemption, The Church and Prayer

Redemption was spoken of in our pre-Genesis 1:1 verses

- Recall our key verse, **2 Timothy 1:9**

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- What work did Christ Jesus, the second person of the Trinity have to do before time began?

- Our second pre-Genesis 1:1 verse told us: **Revelation 13:8**

....He was the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

- He had to become a lamb, which in Scripture is a sacrificial animal

- He became the sacrifice for our sins, for our Redemption

-John the Baptist understood the Messiah/Lamb motif when he said in **John 1:29** **The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"**

The Trinity makes sense in Redemption

- All of mankind became sinners and all sinned starting with the sin of one man
- BUT thru one man all can be made righteous
- But in order to redeem all of mankind that one man also had to be God
- So God the Son took on humanity, limited Himself within a human, sinless body
- No longer would the Second person be omnipresent in His new manifested state

-33 years after his human birth He went to a hill which He made and hung on a cross of wood He created
-And we are told in **2Corinthians 5:19** that God was in Christ (on that cross) **reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.**

-We also read in **Matthew 27:45-46**, with our shoes off, for the ground we are about to approach is very Holy...

v. 45 Now from the sixth hour until the ninth hour there was darkness over all the land. 46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

The Trinity Makes Sense AT the Cross

-We hear the God-Man, crying out why have you, God the Father & you God the Holy Spirit, forsaken me?
-You turned away from me, separated from me while I took on the penalty of sin for all of mankind
-That is a picture of 'spiritual death'!
-This separation of the Godhead was a first for all eternity past for any person of the Trinity
-Truly He was the loneliest Man that every hung between earth and heaven!

The Trinity Makes Sense OF the Cross

-Who was managing the universe, the earth, while the Son was spiritually separated unto death?
-The first and third persons of the Triunity did, God the Father and God the Holy Spirit
-In there dominant positions, The Father was **Transcendent** and the Holy Spirit was **Immanent**
-After 3 hours of earth time the eternal Spiritual death by separation from God was complete....
-We do not understand how one God-Man can bear the penalty for all the sins, of all of mankind in 3 hrs.
-Remember this: There is only one person who has to understand it and accept it....
-That person is God, in particular God the Father!
-No one else is required to understand the depths and magnitude of the cross of Jesus Christ
-We are to believe it because the rest of the New Testament treats His cross as all sufficient for all sin
-The Bible calls upon us to believe what the Father accepts, then we are to experience its benefits

Let Me Explain Further...

-The Son cried out 3 hours later, in restored fellowship with the Father: **Father into your hands I commit my spirit, Luke 23:46**
-He then personally dismissed His spirit from His body, which is physical death, **John 19:30**
-Which was His second death of the day
-Three days later He rose from the dead signifying that the Father had accepted His sacrifice for all sins
-We know this from **Romans 4:25**
-For Forty days after His resurrection he presented Himself to His disciples....
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-In **Acts 1:9** He ascended into Heaven
-He ascended in His own righteousness, in His resurrected, incorruptible, immortal body
-No one else will ascend into Heaven on their own!
-His own righteousness allows Him in as the Son of Man
-His imputed righteousness allows us to ascend 'in Him'.

That brings us to why....

The Trinity Makes Sense with Regards to the Church

-Following the completion of the work of redemption
-Christ will build His church, as He stated in **Matt. 16:18-21**

- But the Church on earth is also referred to as the 'Body of Christ' or 'His Body' many times in the NT
- It is one body and He is the head of His body
- But where is the Head of His body? He is seated at the right hand of the Father
- Where is His body? Some of it is in Heaven, fully 'in Him,' and some on earth
- How do we get into His body? Go to church? church membership? No
- We are baptized, better immersed into His Body by the Spirit.... we read in ...
- 1Cor. 12:13** For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free
- This is the Baptism of the Spirit and it is not water baptism
- And what will happen to this 'Body of Christ'?
- Ephesians 1:10** ...in the dispensation of the fullness of the times (end of the church age) He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.
- How is it possible to be in Him in Heaven and 'in Him' on earth?
- It takes a Trinity, not a village!
- It takes the name: **Father Son Holy Spirit**

So why 'Church' and a Body of Christ?

- Now that the sin issue has been dealt with the Father wants more Children, more sons, more daughters
- Thru faith in Jesus we are born a second time from above instead of from the earth
- The Father of these children is the first person of 'The Name', 'The Father'
- The kind of children He wants are to be like His model, 'The Son'
- But the Son is in Heaven
- When anyone believes in the Risen Christ Crucified he or she is a new creation
-Though dwelling in a sinful body
- The Omnipresent Holy Spirit comes inside of that person (He can do so because the sin issue has been dealt with)
- He begins the process of making she or he holy... hence the title 'Holy Spirit' or 'Holy Making Spirit'
- At the same time, this same Holy Spirit immerses this person ...
- Into the singular body of Christ on earth and in Heaven, in Christ
- The earth-bound son or daughter who is in Christ, in heavenly places
- Will get united with an incorruptible, immortal body like the Son's....at physical death or the rapture

Therefore....

- It takes The Trinity to place a Father begotten son or daughter into Christ, in Heaven
- And into His church, the body of Christ on earth!

So here we are 'in time' on earth

- In the body of Christ locally with God the Holy Spirit dwelling inside of us
- How do we communicate with God in Heaven which is outside of time and creation?

How Does Prayer and the Trinity Make Sense?

- How are we to pray?
- The Disciples made this request of Jesus in **Luke 11:1** Lord teach us to pray

Why did they make that request?

- Dr. Arnold** The circumstance that gave rise to the apostles' request to be taught how to pray was their observation that Jesus prayed extemporaneously. The apostles, raised in Judaism, were taught prescribed prayer through prayer books. By the first century, Jews no longer prayed freely, and the apostles did not know how to pray, hence their request: **Lord, teach us to pray (Lk. 11:1).**

..... He then gives them a model of prayer I call the **'Apostles Prayer Model'** ...

-Dr. Arnold continues ...As a model, it is intended as an outline of how to organize one's prayer life and not intended to be recited week after week. To summarize: we should address the prayer to God the Father, sanctifying Him; we should pray for the kingdom program and for our daily needs; we should confess our sins and pray about spiritual warfare.

We close prayer with 'in Jesus name' because of Jesus' statement in the upper room discourse

-John 14:12-14....I go to My Father. 13 And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, in order that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.

-In the model prayer Jesus tells us to pray to the Father who is in heaven

-If He is in Heaven and the Son is now sitting at His right hand, how does our prayer get to Him?

-The only one of the Trinity that is manifestly here on earth and 'immanent'

-AND outside of the created Heavens or 'transcendent' at the same time is the Holy Spirit

-Jude 1:20 says, 'But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith [get into the Word], praying in the Holy Spirit'

-Romans 8:26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us

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-And it is the Holy Spirit, 'immanent' and 'transcendent' at the same time!

-We pray to the Father in the Spirit in the name of His Son

-Prayer and the Trinity Make Sense

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The Trinity Makes Sense

-And we should see their activities throughout the Bible but particularly as 'The Name' is manifested,

-The Father The Son and The Holy Spirit

-Remember these three have many other revealing names, 950 by one count

-Many are used in the NT along with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

-I have compiled a list of over 2 dz. verses where the Trinity is interactive on our behalf

-I have attached them to my notes which will be available on our website for your review

Let me give you a couple of examples from our list:

-From the OT, **Is. 48:16**

"Come near to Me, hear this: I have not spoken in secret from the beginning;

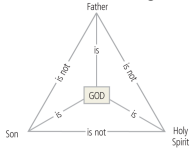
From the time that it [the beginning] was, I was there.

And now the Lord GOD and His Spirit Have sent Me [Jesus who was at the beginning]."

-From the NT, **Ephesians 2:18**

For through Him [Jesus] we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.

Let us Pray



Supplemental Notes

Here's a list of single Bible verses that explicitly reference all three members of the Trinity.

We see the Trinity in operation thruout the Old and New Testaments

2Thes. 2:13 But we are bound to give thanks to God [Father] always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord [Jesus], because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth,

The Trinity, in fact, appears not only in the New Testament but also in many Old Testament passages.

One of the most important is:

Is. 61:1

“The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.”

-We see the “Spirit,” the “me” who is anointed (which is Messiah Jesus), and the “LORD God” (God the Father). -We read that Jesus began his public ministry by reading this passage and identifying himself as the “me” of Isaiah 61:1, saying, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

Here is another example of the Trinity appearing together in one Old Testament passage:

Is. 63:9-10

In all their affliction He [the Father] was afflicted, and the angel of his presence [the Son] saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit; therefore he turned to be their enemy, and himself fought against them.

Is. 48:16

“Come near to Me, hear this:

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From the time that it [the beginning] was, I was there.

And now the Lord GOD and His Spirit

Have sent Me [Jesus who was at the beginning].”

The New Testament reveals more of the Trinity Father, Son, and Spirit.

1. Matthew 3:16-17

“After being baptized, **Jesus** came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the **Spirit of God** descending as a dove and lighting on Him.” And suddenly a voice [God the Father] came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

2. Matthew 12:28

“But if **I** [Jesus] cast out demons by the **Spirit of God**, then the kingdom of **God** [the Father] has come upon you.”

3. Matthew 28:19

“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the **Holy Spirit** . . .”

4. Luke 1:35 says, “The angel answered her, “The Holy **Spirit** will come upon you, and the power of the Most High [Father] will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God [Jesus].”

5. Luke 3:22

“And the Holy Spirit descended upon Him [Jesus] in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came out of heaven, “You are My [the Father’s] beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased.”

6. John 14:26

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My [Jesus’] name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.”

7. John 15:26

“When the Helper comes, whom I [Jesus] will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify about Me . . .”

8. Acts 1:4-5

“Gathering them together, He [Jesus] commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, “Which,” He said, “you heard of from Me, for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit [the promise of the Father] not many days from now.”

9. Acts 2:33

“Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He [Jesus] has poured forth this which you both see [tongues of fire] and hear [spoke in tongues].”

10. Acts 10:38 (this goes with Luke 3:22, at Jesus Baptism)

“You know of Jesus of Nazareth, how God anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.”

11. Romans 1:3-4

[The Gospel of God, v.1] concerning His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, “Who was declared the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness (or source of holiness), by [or on account of] the resurrection from the dead

12. Romans 8:8-9

So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God [the Father]. “However, you are not [positionally] 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 [Jesus].”

13. Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of Him [the Father] who raised **Jesus** from the dead dwells in you, **He** who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His **Spirit** who dwells in you.

14. 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

15. Galatians 4:6

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

16. Ephesians 1:17

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

17. Ephesians 2:18

For through Him [Jesus] we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father.

18. Ephesians 2:22

In whom [Jesus, v.20] you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

-Where the Father and the Son will dwell and make their abode... John 14:23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home ['mansion' of John 14:2] with him.

19. Titus 3:5-6

.... according to His mercy He [the Father] saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom [the Holy Spirit] He [The Father] poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

20. Hebrews 9:14

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

21. 1 Peter 1:2

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.

22. 1 Cor. 12:4-6

There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord [Jesus].

And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God [Father] who works all *things* in all *members*.

23. Eph. 4:4-6

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

24. Jude 20-21

20 But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,

21 keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.