

THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRINITY

- I. There is only one God not three
 - A. See Dt. 4:35-39, 6:4, Is. 43:10-11, 44:6, 45:5, 45:18, 45:21-22

- II. One God yet a plurality of Persons
 - A. The name ELOHIYM is the Hebrew word translated “God” in over 90% of the times the word God appears in the Old Testament. ELOHIYM is in the plural form and could be translated Gods.

 - B. ELOHIYM while being in the plural form is most often used with singular verbs and pronouns, thus conveying the unity of the one true God and yet allowing for a plurality of persons.
 1. Examples: Gen. 2:2-3, 2:18, 28:13, Dt. 6:4, Jer. 10:10-12

 - C. Both the unity of the Godhead and the plurality of persons are presented in the scriptures.
 1. Examples: Gen. 1:26-27, Gen. 3:22-23, Gen. 11:7-8.

- III. The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
 - A. The Trinity as seen in the Old Testament
 1. 2Samuel 23:2-3
 2. Isaiah 48:12-17

 - B. The Trinity in the New Testament
 1. The Father is called God – Mt. 27:46, Jn. 20:17
 2. The Son is called God – Jn. 1:1, Jn. 20:28
 3. The Holy Spirit is called God – Acts 5:3-4, 2Cor. 3:17.

- IV. All three Persons raised Christ from the dead
 - A. The Father Acts - 2:24
 - B. The Son – Jn. 2:19
 - C. The Holy Spirit – Rom. 8:11

- V. All three Persons indwell believers
 - A. The Father – Eph. 4:6
 - B. The Son – Col. 1:27
 - C. The Holy Spirit – 1Cor. 6:19

- VI. All three Persons were active in the creation
 - A. Compare Gen. 1:1-2, 1:26 with Jn. 1:3, Col. 1:16

- VII. All three Persons inspired the writing of scripture
 - A. The Father – 2Tim. 3:16
 - B. The Son – 1Pet. 1:10-11, Heb. 1:1-2
 - C. The Holy Spirit – 2Peter 1:21

- VIII The Trinity revealed as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
 - A. 2Sam. 23:2-3
 - B. Mat. 3:16-17
 - C. Mat. 28:19
 - D. Luke 1:35
 - E. 2Cor. 13:14
 - F. Jude 20-21