

Be Sure About Who God Is
2 Corinthians 13:14

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

1. Biblical Basis of the Trinity

God is One

Deuteronomy 6:4 (ESV)

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.

Deuteronomy 6:5 (ESV)

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Isaiah 45:22 (ESV)

Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

1 Timothy 2:5 (ESV)

For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,

1 Timothy 2:6 (ESV)

who gave Himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

God Lives Eternally as Three Distinct Persons

Genesis 1:26 (ESV)

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

Genesis 3:22 (ESV)

Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—”

Isaiah 6:8 (ESV)

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”

Matthew 3:16 (ESV)

And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the

heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him;

Matthew 3:17 (ESV)

and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

Ephesians 4:4 (ESV)

There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—

Ephesians 4:5 (ESV)

one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Ephesians 4:6 (ESV)

one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

1 Peter 1:2 (ESV)

According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with His blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are Equally God

The Father is God.

1 Corinthians 8:5 (ESV)

For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”—

1 Corinthians 8:6 (ESV)

yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

Jesus, the Son, is God.

John 1:1 (ESV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14 (ESV)

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 20:28 (ESV)

Thomas answered Him [Jesus], “My Lord and my God!”

Titus 2:13 (ESV)

Waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

The Holy Spirit is God.

Acts 5:3 (ESV)

But Peter said, “Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land?

Acts 5:4 (ESV)

While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not at your disposal? Why is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to man but to God.”

1 Corinthians 2:10 (ESV)

These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

1 Corinthians 2:11 (ESV)

For who knows a person’s thoughts except the spirit of that person, which is in him? So also no one comprehends the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

2. Spiritual Blessings of the Trinity***God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Worked in Creation*****Genesis 1:1 (ESV)**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:2 (ESV)

The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Colossians 1:15 (ESV)

He [Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

Colossians 1:16 (ESV)

For by Him [Jesus] all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him.

God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Reveal God’s Truth

Hebrews 1:1 (ESV)

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

Hebrews 1:2 (ESV)

but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world.

John 16:13 (ESV)

When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come.

God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit Bring Redemption**Ephesians 1:3 (ESV)**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

Ephesians 1:4-5 (ESV)

even as He [the Father] chose us in Him [Jesus] before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love He [the Father] predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will,

Ephesians 1:6 (ESV)

to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved [Jesus].

Ephesians 1:7 (ESV)

In Him [Jesus] we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace,

Ephesians 1:13 (ESV)

In Him [Jesus] you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

Ephesians 1:14 (ESV)

who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His [the Father's] glory.

3. Personal Benefits of the Trinity***Benefits in your baptism*****Matthew 28:19 (ESV)**

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

Benefits in your worship and prayer

Ephesians 2:18 (ESV)

For through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

Jude 20-21 (ESV)

But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

Benefits in your daily life

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