

HARD QUESTIONS

THE TRINITY

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RESOURCES

References on the Trinity (for your library or self-study; includes a brief overview).

Benson, Clarence H. ***The Triune God***, Evangelical teacher Training Assoc., Wheaton, IL, 1970. Focused teaching on the Trinity, and those preparing to teach about God.

Chafer, Lewis Sperry; Walvoord, John F. ***Major Bible Themes***, Zondervan Pub. House, Grand Rapids, MI, 1974. Scholarly, but summarized in one book, strongly teaches the Trinity in the chapters on God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit

Lightner, Robert P. ***The God of the Bible***, Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, MI, 1973. Scholarly teaching on Theology Proper, including teaching on the Trinity.

Nyberg Jr., J. Ronald. ***Top 10 Bible Doctrines***, Amazon/Kindle Book Publishing, Huntsville, AL, 2013. Provides Scripture quotes, many references, and most of "The Trinity" info contained in this sermon, plus some additional. It also includes other Systematic Theology related to the most important doctrines in Scripture.

Qureshi, Kathryn Michelle. ***Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus***, 3rd Edition. Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI, 2018. A devout Muslim becomes a Christian by seeing subatomic mysteries echoing God's Trinity (see pp. 194-196). "Technically, a molecule with resonance is every one of its structures at every point in time, yet no single one of its structures at any point in time...It means that the chair I am sitting on is not actually a solid object, innocently supporting my weight. It is almost entirely empty space, occupied only in a small part by particles moving at incomprehensible speeds...One molecule of nitrate is all three resonance structures all the time and never just one of them. The three are separate but all the same, and they are one. They are three in one. That's when it clicked: if there are things in this world that can be three in one, even incomprehensibly so, then why cannot God? And just like that, the Trinity became potentially true in my mind."

Rogers, Adrian. ***How to You Can Treasure The Trinity.*** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0Zz7iOG-NNQ> Youtube. Youtube. 8 June 2025. Web. 1 July 2025 (25:40 min). Love Worth Finding Ministries. A great message exploring treasuring the Trinity in the Old and New Testaments.

Ryrie, Charles C. ***The Holy Spirit***, Moody Press, Chicago, IL, 1965. Excellent practical work on the Holy Spirit, demonstrating His deity, emphasis on the third person in the Trinity.

Walvoord, John F. ***Jesus Christ Our Lord***, Moody Press, Chicago, IL, 1969. Excellent work on Jesus demonstrating His deity, emphasis on the second person in the Trinity.

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www.logos.com recommends 11 books as some of the best on the Trinity. I have not read them all yet. I omitted Logos' last 5 recommendations as Logos label them as more advanced, which seemed to have less Scripture, more conjecture, and were also Reformed, not Dispensational.

1. ***The Trinity: An Introduction***, by Scott R. Swain (Crossway, 2020). As Christians, we often struggle to find the right words to describe the union of Father, Son, and Spirit. This book explains how the Bible gives clarity concerning the triune God's activity in nature (creation), grace (redemption), and glory (reward).
2. ***The Deep Things of God***, 2nd ed., by Fred Sanders (Crossway, 2017). In *The Deep Things of God*, systematic theologian Fred Sanders explains why we should embrace the doctrine of the Trinity wholeheartedly. Even more importantly, he explains that the Trinity is grounded in the gospel itself.
3. ***Simply Trinity: The Unmanipulated Father, Son, and Spirit***, by Matthew Barrett (Christian Audio, 2021). Explains how the biblical, orthodox Trinity has been distorted to justify countless social agendas.
4. ***Meditations on the Trinity***, by A. W. Tozer (Moody, 2017). If you want to contemplate the Trinity, this book is for you. Learn who God is and how to worship Him more authentically from A. W. Tozer, renowned author, and pastor.
5. ***Father, Son and Spirit: The Trinity and John's Gospel***, by Andreas J. Köstenberger and Scott R. Swain (InterVarsity, 2008). This unique resource centers on the Trinitarian themes in John's Gospel.
6. ***The Trinity***, by Augustine of Hippo (New City, 2012). The Trinity is part of the series *The Works of Saint Augustine: A Translation for the 21st Century*. In this classic text, Augustine searches the Scriptures for clues to understanding the Trinity and then defends the orthodox statement of the doctrine.