

FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

INTRODUCING GOD...



Light Bulb

Read 2 Corinthians 13:14. Choose. Three words: God is love. Or, one word for three Person: Trinity. Which one seems more difficult to understand? Why? Which one seems more practical? Why? Imagine witnessing to a friend, would you be more likely to say, “God is love” or “God is three in one?” Do you think it is more difficult to clear up misconceptions of the meaning of “love” or “God”?

Read. Gen. 1:1-2; John 1:1-3; Col. 1:15-17; Rev. 4:11 Who is hovering over the waters at the beginning of creation? Who is “the Word” that John speaks of? What was He doing in creation? What do we mean when we speak of God as a Trinity? Read John 17:24. What was God doing before He creation? How did God create? Why did God create? Why did God create us?



Questions



Cross

We see the Trinity involved in creation, but we also see the Trinity at work in starting a new creation through Christ. Read Heb. 10:5. Who sent the Son? Read Luke 1:35. How does the Spirit’s word sound like Genesis 1:2? Read Matt. 3:16-17. Do you see all the members of the Trinity at Jesus’ baptism? Read Eph. 1:1-14 or 1 Pet. 1:2. What role does each person in the Trinity have for our salvation?

Exactly how important is the Trinity? According to the Athanasius Creed, if you do not believe in the Trinity one will “perish everlastingly.” Does that go too far? Why or why not? How does the doctrine of the Trinity distinguish Christianity from Judaism and Islam?



Talk Bubble



Arrow

Read Ps. 19. What do the heavens declare? It is easy to read Ps. 19 as a reference to God’s power and immensity. Who has not looked up into the sky and felt small at the transcendent power and supremacy of the Creator?

Look up at the sky. Think of God as Triune. How do all that is in the sky declare the “loving generosity of God”? In other words, don’t just look at the Sun and say, “Wow, what power to create!” Look at the Sun and say, “What love to give us light and warmth and seasons!” He’s a good, good Father!