Trinity | What is the Trinity? Week 1

Small Group Notes

INTRODUCTION

You won't find the word "Trinity" anywhere in the scriptures. It is a theological word that expresses how God is represented and described in the Bible. At the baptism of Jesus, you see the Trinity: The Father speaks, the Spirit descends, and the Son is baptized. Why is this important? It is important because God in His very essence is relational. That is both who and what He is. That means all of life is about relationships. For all eternity there has been a "dance" between the three persons that make up the one triune God. It is the dance of mutual, self-giving love. All of creation reflects the relational reality of God: the Trinity.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

- 1. What is your favorite band or musical group?
- 2. Share about an impactful relationship in your life.

SERMON NOTES REVIEW

Looking back at your sermon notes from this weekend's teaching, was there anything that caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

Watch the Video

GROUP DISCUSSION

- 1. What are some misconceptions you have had about God?
- 2. How would you describe the "Trinity" to someone who does not know about God?
- 3. What are you learning about God's character?
- 4. Read Mark 1:9-11.
 - What do you notice about the way the Father speaks to the Son?
 - What can we learn about how to speak to those we love from how God speaks to Jesus?
- 5. Read the following verses: 2 Corinthians 13:14, Matthew 28:19, 1 Peter 1:2
 - What do you notice about the role of the Trinity in these verses?
- 6. If all of life is about loving God and loving people:
 - What is one step you can take to grow in how you love God?
 - What is one step you can take to grow in how you love people?

PRAYER

Go around your group and ask for prayer requests. Pray we would recognize God's desire for us to be in relationship with Him and others. Pray for God to show us opportunities to love Him and love people in our daily lives.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- It is not too late to register for the Marriage Course to improve your marriage. For
- more information and to register, visit marriage.sv.cc
 Fall break is right around the corner if you have kids in school. If so, decide if your group is going to take a week or two off during fall break.