

THE TRINITY

1. There is only one God (Deut 6:4; 1Jn 5:7).
2. There is a plurality of persons in the Godhead (Col 2:9; Rom 1:20; Gen 1:26; 11:7; 1Jn 5:7).
3. God exists in three distinct persons (1Jn 5:7; 2Cor 13:14; Mat 3:13-17; 28:19)--the Father, the Son (the Word incarnate--Jn 1:1,14), and the Holy Ghost.
4. The scriptures teach that
 - a. The Father is God (John 6:27; 1Peter 1:2),
 - b. The Son is God (Jn 1:1; 1Tim 3:16; Isa 7:14 with Mat 1:23; Jn 20:28; Acts 20:28; Heb 1:3,8,10), and
 - c. The Holy Spirit is God (Acts 5:3,4; Heb 9:14; Rom 15:19; Psalm 139:7; Isa 40:13; 1Cor 2:12; Acts 28:25 with Isa 6:8-10; Heb 10:15-17 with Jer 31:31-34; Job 33:4).

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit have attributes which can only be ascribed to God, and they perform works which only God could perform.

From the scriptures, one can see the Trinity acting in unity in the following works:

<u>Creation</u>	<u>The Incarnation</u>	<u>The Resurrection</u>	<u>Redemption</u>
Gen 1:3	Gal 4:4	Acts 2:24	Heb 9:14
Jn 1:3	Luke 2:11	Jn 2:19	Heb 9:14
Gen 1:2	Luke 1:35	1Pet 3:18	Heb 9:14
<u>Salvation</u>	<u>Regeneration</u>	<u>Communion</u>	
Luke 15:11-24	Luke 10:20	Eph 2:18; 1Jn 1:3	
Luke 15:4	Eph 1:7	2Cor 5:19; Jn 16:23	
1Cor 6:11	Jn 3:3-6	Eph 2:18; Rom 8:15,16	

The following attributes are common to all three persons of the Godhead.

<u>Eternity</u>	<u>Omnipotence</u>	<u>Omniscience</u>	<u>Omnipresence</u>
Psalm 90:2	Rev 19:6	Psalm 139:1-6	Jer 23:24
Rev 1:8	Mat 28:18	Rev 2:23	Mat 18:20
Heb 9:14	Rom 15:19	Isa 40:13	Psalm 139:7

<u>Holiness</u>	<u>Truthfulness</u>	<u>Goodness</u>	<u>Communion</u>
Rev 15:4	Jn 7:28	Rom 2:4	1Jn 1:3
Acts 3:14	Rev 3:7	Eph 5:25	1Jn 1:3
Luke 1:15	1Jn 5:6	Neh 9:20	2Cor 13:14

Note: The three references for each attribute applies to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit respectively.