

THE TRINITY

Bible Passage: 2 Cor. 1: 1-3, 18-22

Memory Verse: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen – 2 Corinthians 13:14

Introduction

Trinity means that God exists and manifest as three Persons – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Although the word “Trinity” is not in the bible but the scripture documents several occurrence where God manifested in three personality e.g. during Jesus baptism (Matt. 3:13-17), baptism instruction issued by Jesus (Matt. 28:19), Paul’s benediction (2 Cor. 13:14), access to God (Eph. 2:18), reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:19-20) at creation (Gen. 1:26), Jesus’ birth (John 3:16, Luke 1:35), at resurrection (Rom. 6:4). The visibility and manifestation of Trinity to humanity has been progressive since creation – from the Father to the Son and then now to the Holy Spirit.

God – the Father

Exodus 15:11-13, Number 14:18, 1 Kings 8:23, Psalm 86:10. God is a person (i.e. a living being) with eyes (Psalms 33:18, 34:15, Prov. 15:3), knowledge & understanding (Psalm 94:11) etc. God is a Spirit (John 4:24) without flesh, bones or blood (Luke 24:39). A Spirit cannot die, so God is immortal. He is also invisible to our mortal eyes (1Tim 1:17). God is eternal – with no beginning or ending, He has always existed and will forever exist (Psalm 90:2). God is unchangeable (Mal. 3:6), He possesses all powers (Job 42:2, Psalm 33:9, Jeremiah 32:27), He is omnipresent- everywhere at the same time (Psalm 139:7-9). God is love (1John 4:8), holy (1 Peter 1:16), righteous (Jer. 12:1), merciful (Psalm 103:8), faithful (2 Tim. 2:13), good (Psalm 25:8) etc.

God – the Son

John 1: 1-18. God – the son is Jesus Christ, the saviour and messiah who was born to the earth, died and resurrected from the death. Jesus is also eternal (Micah 5:2), Like God the Father, He is also the “I AM” (John 8:58), He is omnipresent (Matt. 18:20), omnipotent (Matt. 28:18, Luke 8:24), unchangeable (Heb. 13:8), sinless (1 Peter 2:22). He had existed from the beginning (John 8:58, Col 1:17, Rev. 1:8), involved in earth creation (John 1:3). He is the head of the church (Col. 1: 18),

God - Holy Spirit

John 14: 15-26. God – the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Godhead and equals to the Father & the Son. He is also a Person, that’s why the bible constantly refers to Him as “He” (John 15:26, 16:8,13,14). He is powerful (Acts 1:8), knowledgeable (1Cor. 2:10-12), willful (1 Cor. 12:11), searches (Romans 8:27), ability to love (Romans 15:30), speaks (Rev. 2:7), cry out (Gal. 4:6), intercedes (Romans 8:14), testifies (John 15:26), teaches (John 14:26), leads and directs (Romans 8:14), comforts (John 14:16)

Conclusion

Every believer needs the manifestation of Trinity to completely enjoy the fullness of Godhead.

Scriptural Reading Assignment

2 Corinthians 1, John 1, John 14