

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON slides

To know Jesus is to know the Father.

Westminster Larger Catechism Question 9: How many persons are there in the Godhead?

Answer: There be three persons in the Godhead, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one true, eternal God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; although distinguished by their personal properties."

WLC Question 10: What are the personal properties of the three persons in the Godhead?

Answer: "It is proper to the Father to beget the Son, and to the Son to be begotten of the Father, and to the Holy Ghost to proceed from the Father and the Son from all eternity."

WLC Question 11: How does it appear that the Son and the Holy Ghost are God equal with the Father? **Answer:** The Scriptures manifest that the Son and the Holy Ghost are God equal with the Father, ascribing unto them such names, attributes, works, and worship, as are proper to God only.

Paul Tripp p. 67 "Do You Believe", "God is a Trinity of three persons, but all of one substance: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. These are not the delineation of three functions, but are three distinct Persons."

John 1:1,2, 18 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God...No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known."

John 17:3 "And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent."

To see Jesus working is to see the Father.

Exodus 20:4 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth."

Hebrews 1:3 "He is the radiance of the glory of God and the *exact imprint of his nature*, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high..."

J. Warner Wallace (former homicide detective) "Cold Case Christianity" p. 72 "Once you come to trust an eyewitness, you eventually must come to terms with the testimony that eyewitness has offered."

To see the Father in Jesus is to see the importance of the Trinity.

Paul Tripp, “Do You Believe?”, “The Trinity is the ultimate community (family), functioning in perfect unity and love, without argument, debate or disagreement.”

Colin Gunton in Michael Reeves, “Delighting in the Trinity”, “Mercy is the outworking in fallen time and history of the action of a God for whom love of the other is central to His Being...If God were not personal, HE could not be merciful; but if God were just one person, then love of the other would not be central to His Being. Three would have been nobody in eternity from Him to love.”

Matthew 28:19 “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...”

2 Corinthians 13:14 “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

John 14:23 “Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.”

Fred Sanders, The Deep Things of God, “The Gospel is Trinitarian, and the Trinity is the Gospel. Christian salvation comes from the Trinity, happens through the Trinity, and brings us home to the Trinity.”

Ephesians 1:3-14 “Blessed be the **God and Father** of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as *he chose us* in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love *he predestined us* for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. **In him** we have *redemption through his blood*, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were *sealed* with the promised **Holy Spirit**, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.”