



Show kindness and mercy to one another. Zechariah 7:9 Speak the truth to one another. Zechariah 8:16 Be at peace with one another. Mark 9:50 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Romans 12:10 Let us not pass judgment on one another. Romans 14:13 Live in harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus. Romans 15:5 Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7 Instruct one another. Romans 15:14 Greet one another. Romans 16:16 Wait for one another. 1corinthians 11:33 Care for one another. 1corinthians 12:25 Comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. 2corinthians 13:11 Through love serve one another. Galatians 5:13 With all humility and gentleness, with patience, bear with one another in love. Ephesians 4:2 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Ephesians 4:32 Address one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the lord with your heart. Ephesians 5:19 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Ephesians 5:21 Do not lie to one another. Colossians 3:9 Forgive one another. Colossians 3:13 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. Colossians 3:16 May the lord make you increase and abound in love for one another. 1thessalonians 3:12 Encourage one another and build one another up. 1thessalonians 5:11 Always seek to do good to one another. 1thessalonians 5:15 Exhort one another every day. Hebrews 3:13 Stir up one another to love and good works. Hebrews 10:24 Meet together, encourage one another. Hebrews 10:25 Do not speak evil against one another. James 4:11 Do not grumble against one another. James 5:9 Confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. James 5:16 Love one another earnestly from a pure heart. 1peter 1:22 Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. 1peter 4:9 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace 1peter 4:10 Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another. 1peter 5:5 Have fellowship with one another. 1john 1:7 And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his son Jesus Christ and love one another. 1john 3:23 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 1john 4:7 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 1john 4:11 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. 1john 4:12

Fellowship Sunday

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Our Mission is to increase the reign of God on Earth as it is in Heaven.

In Our Vision, we see disciples in the world transforming their environments.

Our Strategy to realize our mission and vision is to make disciples who make a difference.

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THE HOLY TRINITY

I. THERE IS ONE GOD...

1. Dt 6:4-5: "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, **the LORD is one**"
2. Ex 20:3: "You shall have **no other gods** before me"
3. Mt 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."
4. Jas 2:19: "You believe that there is **one God**. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder."

II. GOD IS THREE PERSONS AND EACH IS FULLY GOD

A. The Father is a Person and is God

1. **David Recognizes God as Lord & Father:**1 Chr. 29:10: "**Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever**"
2. **Malachi Agrees:** Mal 2:10: "**Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?**"
3. **Paul often describes God as Father:** Eph 1:3-4: "**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**"

~ *The Motive behind early arguments against Doctrines of the Trinity: Protect Monotheism*

- **The Father is a Person and he is God**

B. The Son is a Person and is God

1. **John's commentary about the Son's eternity and co-equality:** 1 *In the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God.*
2. *He was in the beginning with God.*
3. *All things were made through him, and without him nothing was made that was made.*
4. *In him was life, and the life was the light of all men.* Jn. 1:1-4

~ *Jehovah Witness/ Door Knockers:* ~ Story in Spain Suicide Rates

~ *Light Illustration:* Story of being stuck in the woods....with out light, or when the power goes out > The physical indicates the spiritual.

- **The word = Jesus = God – (rf. Jn1:14).** *The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.*
- **Wrong interpretation of verse1 = works**

based salvation, false Gospel, Cultish teaching.

2. The Angel's assure Joseph that the Son is God: Matt 1:20-24, "**20....for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. 21 She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.**" 24. *When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him: He took his wife.*

- **We have placed our trust and faith in a God man that is able to forgive us of our sins (v.23) Why b/c he is fully God.**
- **We should learn from Joseph that when God reveals himself we listen and act on it!**

3. Angels declare Jesus is God! (Lk 2:8-14 paraphrased) *Sheppard's in the field, angel appeared to them, and the glory of the lord shone around them. "I bring you good news, of great joy, that will be for all people, for on this day, in the city of David, a child is born, who is Christ the Lord!" And you will find him in a manger wrapped in swaddling clothes, and suddenly a multitude of heavenly hosts appeared, Praising God saying, "Glory God in the Highest, and on earth, peace among men, whom his favor rests."*

~ *RSM Christmas Carroll > The gospel message is hope of humanity!*

- **God's creation was announcing his Son (The Kingdom of heaven coming to Earth)**
- **The Angels were Praising God for the work that he would do for all people**
- **The Son is a Person and is God**

4. At His Baptism: God Announces His Son is Identity (Mt 3:16-17). 16. *And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, WITH whom I am well pleased."*

- **God was announcing Jesus rightful reign and rule as messiah and Lord**
- **John had been preparing the way**
- **In what ways are we preparing a way for God?**

5. Jesus Announced his fulfillment of prophecy, as the Messiah, (Lk. 4:14-21). *18. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim, good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed. 19. To proclaim, the year of the Lord's favor."....21. "Today the scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.*

- **Jesus is a Person and God**
- **God established his authority and revelation through the words and the works of Jesus Christ.**
- **We have confidence that our faith is fact because of fulfillment of prophecy, Archeology, miracles, martyrs.**

C. The Spirit is a Person and is God

1. Peter calls the Holy Spirit God (Acts 5:3-4). Peter finds out catches Annaias in a lie. He had pledged to take the proceeds of his property and donate them to the church. He then comes to the church leadership and say here it is. When in truth, he had kept some of the money for himself and lied. The scriptures say.....*"You have lied to Holy Spirit" (v.3) and "You have not lied to men but to God" (v.4).*

- **The Spirit is God according to the apostle Peter**
- **We have a personal God in person of the Holy Spirit.**

2. Paul describes the Holy Spirit as a Person (Eph 4:30). *And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.*

- **The Holy Spirit is a person: He has feeling, thought, will, emotion.**

3. David Says that he is everywhere (Ps. 139:7-8). *"Where can I go from your spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?"*

- The point is that you can't escape him. He is omnipresent.
- We have hope no matter where we are. He is Immanuel, God with us.

III. Application: We are not Alone & We have an Example to follow:

~ Green Day Song "I walk alone" = Not True
~ Chris Tomlin "How Great is our God"

1. We have a Father that Loves us, knows us and cares for us! We are not alone!
 - B/c he first loved us, we can love others! We can model the love of the God to those in need of fathering.
2. We have the Son who has saved us the debt of our sin, a gracious personal Savior!

- This should help us to gracious to people who are far off and yet call people out on sin and share with them that Jesus has paid their debt.

3. We have the Spirit that strengthens us, sanctifies us, illuminates our minds, inspires us, gives us creativity, and beauty in our days.

- We have a comforter, and counselor, we have one who convicts us of sin, to help sanctify us!
- We should pause and ask for his help in our decisions, in our study, in our stresses, in our parenting, in our conflicts.

Closing Benediction: May we live to walk in "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit...."– 2 Cor 13:14