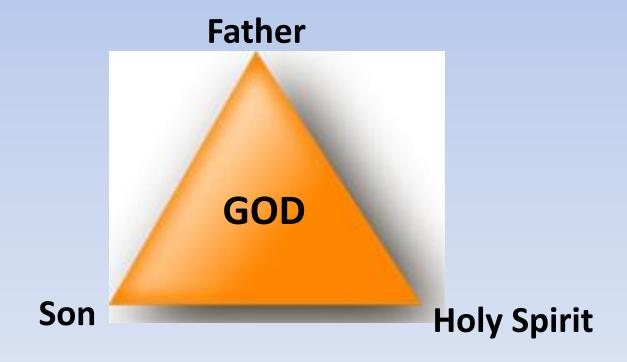
The Trinity



Where is the Trinity From?

- Not mentioned specifically in the Bible.
- It is a concept based on scripture.
- Tri = 3
- Unity = Bring together into 1
- Tri + Unity = Trinity = 3 together as 1

What is the Trinity Doctrine?

•There is only 1 God but...

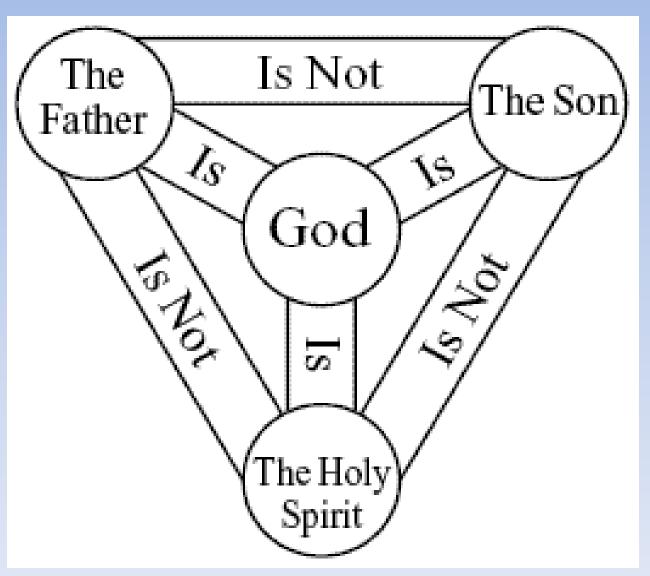
3 Distinct Persons

- The Father is God
- The Son is God
- The Holy Spirit is God

All 3 Persons are 1 God

- The three persons make up one God
- It is NOT 1/3 for each person adding together to make a whole.
- Each person is co-equal
- Each person is co-eternal
- Each person is 100% God

Trinity

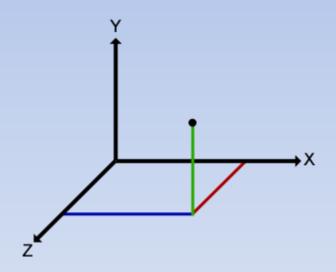


Real Life Trinity Analogies

- Since the Trinity is totally unique, no analogy really fits.
- The Trinity is not really like anything else in the universe.
- Here are some examples that people have used to describe the Trinity...

3 Dimensional Space

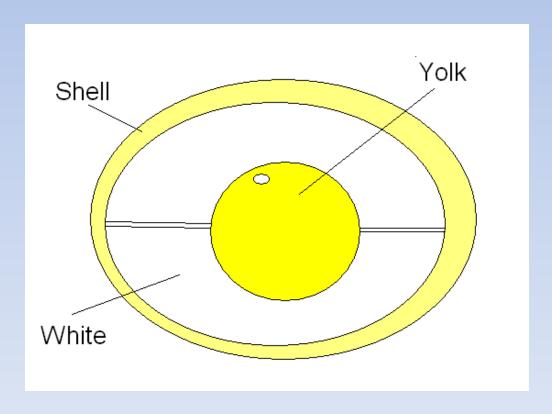
 We live in a 3-dimensional world which has HEIGHT – WIDTH – LENGTH



• 3 dimensions define a single point (3 in 1)

An Egg

• 3 unique parts make up 1 egg...



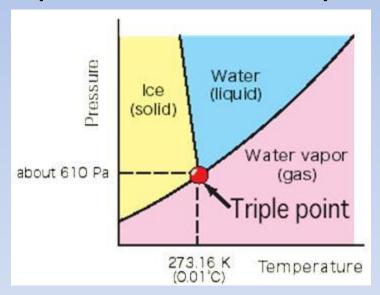
A Clover

• 3 Leaves make up 1 Clover...



Water Triple Point

 An amazing thing takes place when water is at the perfect pressure and temperature...



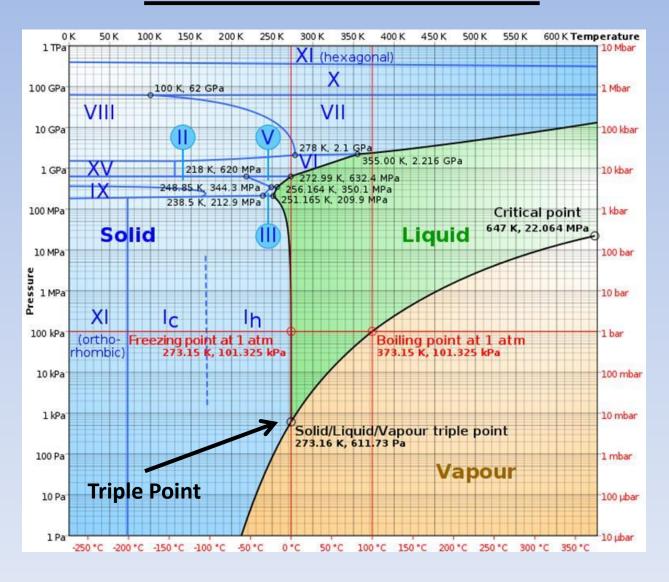
 It is ICE (Solid), WATER (Liquid), and WATER VAPOR (Gas) at the same time (3 in 1)

Solid - Liquid - Vapor

This guy has too much free time...



Test Next Week!



Scripture That Supports The Trinity...

There are 6 Basic Steps to the Trinity...

There is only 1 God (Deuteronomy 6:4)

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!

This is known to Jews as the "Shema"

The Father is God (2nd Peter 1:17)

For He received from <u>God the Father</u> honor and glory when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Glory: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

The Son is God (John 1:1,14) (Jesus is the "Word")

- In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- And the <u>Word became flesh</u> and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

The Holy Spirit is God (Acts 5:3-4)

- But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself?
- While it remained, was it not your own? And after it was sold, was it not in your own control? Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are all Distinct Individuals (John 14:26)

 Jesus Said: "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you."

Therefore there are 3 separate persons, who are all God, in the 1 "Godhead"

Let's go back to the beginning...

 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." (Genesis 1:26)

All 3 Persons Present at the Baptism of Jesus

- When He had been baptized, <u>Jesus</u> came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the <u>Spirit of God</u> descending like a dove and alighting upon Him.
- And suddenly a <u>voice</u> came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." (Matthew 3:16-17)