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Three = One ...What?

Trinity means that there is <u>one God</u> who eternally exists as <u>three</u> <u>distinct Persons</u>--the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

God is one in **essence** and three in **person**.

- 1. The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are distinct Persons.
- 2. Each Person is fully God.
- 3. There is only one God.

Mark 1:9-11 (NIV)

- ⁹ At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.
- ¹⁰ As Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.
- ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

John 17:11-19 (NIV)

- ¹¹ I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name--the name you gave me--so that they may be one as we are one.
- While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.
- ¹³ "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.
- ¹⁴ I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.
- ¹⁵ My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one.
- ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.
- ¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.
- ¹⁸ As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world.
- ¹⁹ For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.

John 14:26 (NIV)

²⁶ But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.