



29th DECEMBER
Sunday

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Glory & God

John 1:14-18.

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John opens his gospel with
18 verses that we would call
a prologue.

Jesus is God in human flesh.

**He is the Creator of the
universe who has become a
part of His creation.**

**Jesus is not a created
man.**

**Jesus is God in human
flesh.**

John 1:14

“The Word became flesh.”



**The infinite One became finite,
The eternal One entered time,
The omnipresent One became
confined in the space of a
HUMAN BODY.**

The invisible One
became visible.

**Any other view of Christ is
unacceptable.**

John 20:31,

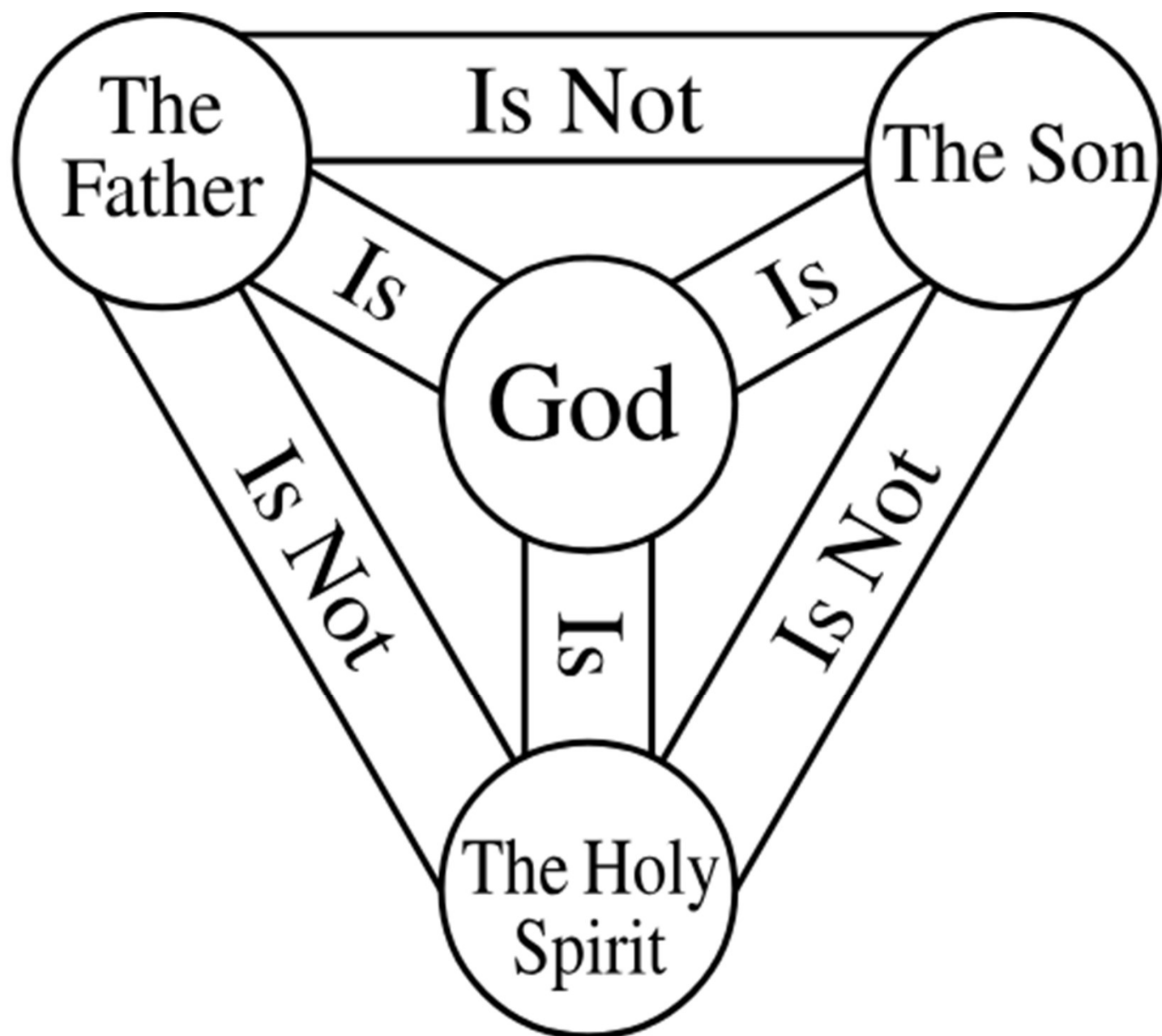
**Jesus is the Christ, the Son of
God, and that believing you
may have life in His name.**

THE WORD



Trinitarian

**One God and yet
three in persons.**



John 1:5

**And the light shines in the
darkness, and the darkness
did not comprehend it.**

1 John 1:1-4,

*.....and truly our
fellowship is with the Father
and with His Son Jesus
Christ.*

1 John 2:22-24,

**Who is a liar but he who
denies that Jesus is the
Christ?**

1 John 4:1-4,

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

1 John 5:1,

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves Him who begot also loves him who is begotten of Him.

1 John 5:4-5,

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

2 John 1:7,

For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

John 1:14

The Word became flesh.

The Word, meaning the preincarnate Son of God whose eternal being became flesh.

Romans 1:3,

**Concerning His Son Jesus
Christ our Lord, who was
born of the seed of David
according to the flesh,**

The eternal Word
became human.

We have the
Godman.

God and man are joined
in one person,
never again to be
separated.

**Yet never confounded
and never mixed.**

□ His **human nature** does not
overpower His **divine nature**.

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overpower His **human nature**.

2 Corinthians 5:21

**For He made Him who knew
no sin to be sin for us, that
we might become the
righteousness of God in Him.**

Skēnoō, meaning

to pitch your tent.

For 33 years, He lived in
our world, took on the
form of a man, came
and became one of us.

Hebrews 2:14,

**Inasmuch then as the
children have partaken of
flesh and blood,**

Philippians 2:7-8,

But made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

Luke 2:52,

**And Jesus increased in
wisdom and stature, and in
favour with God and men.**

How did we know Jesus was God?

John gives us three very important statements.

- Word,
- Glory,
- Grace.

**1. The incarnate Christ displays
divine glory.**

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Monogenēs

and it was full of grace and truth.

Exodus 33:18,

**And he said, “Please,
show me Your glory.”**

Exodus 33:19-23,



What is this kind of glory?

This is God's nature, God's essence, the eternal complex of all that He is, the all-glorious God, manifest in blazing light.

Adam and Eve
walked with the Shekinah.



Moses asks, “Show me your glory”.



I will make all my goodness pass before
you.

I will proclaim the name of the Lord, and
the name of the Lord is all that He is.

I will proclaim my attributes.

I will be gracious to you.

I will show compassion on you.

Exodus 34:5-7,



1 Kings 8:11



Matthew 24:29-30,



Matthew 25:31,



**Revelation says people will call on
the rocks and the mountains to
hide them from the face of glory.**

Matthew 17



2 Peter 1:16-18,

“This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

18 And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

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John could say it this way:

- We saw His love,
- We saw His mercy,
- We saw His wisdom,
- We saw His knowledge,
- We saw His power,
- We saw His justice,
- We saw His holiness,

John could say it this way:

- We saw His compassion,
- We saw His omnipotence,
- We saw His omniscience,
- We saw His anger,
- We saw His wrath,
- We saw His kindness,
- We saw His patience,
- We saw it all.

John 2:11,

This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

**2. The incarnation of Christ
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V 14, "Full of grace and truth."

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**Not half measures, not
fractions, not incomplete
but full of grace and truth.**

**Grace and truth are
together in this passage.
They need to be together.**

John 1:15,

John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.’”

The incarnate Christ
dispenses grace.

**V 16-17, And of His fullness
we have all received, and
grace for grace.**

Romans 5:2,

through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Hebrews 4:16,

**Let us therefore come boldly to
the throne of grace, that we
may obtain mercy and find
grace to help in time of need.**

John 1:17

**For the law was given
through Moses, but grace
and truth came through
Jesus Christ.**

The word
“realized” here is
egeneto.

**It's from the verb
ginomai, to become,
and it means came into
being, came into
existence.**

3. The incarnate Christ defines God.

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**Jesus displays glory, dispenses
grace, and defines God.**

John 1:18

No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

God is invisible.

There are times when God has appeared as smoke and fire and things like that, but He has no form.

**No one has seen God
at any time.**

**the monogenēs, the Son of
God, the incarnate One, the
One who is in the bosom of the
Father.**

**“Bosom” is really
an antiquated
word,**

**It’s used in the book of Acts
for bay or inlet.**

**It's a word for the fold in
material.**

**who is tucked in intimately to the
very presence of God who is
folded into God, he has explained
Him.**

The word
“explained/declared”
exēgeomai,

**Teach people how to do
exegetis, how to exegete
Scripture.**

**To explain, interpret, give
the meaning.**

Jesus' exegetes God.

**Do you want to know
about God?**

Jesus defines God.

He displays **GLORY**,
He dispenses **GRACE**, and
He defines **GOD**.

John 1:12

**But as many as received Him,
to them He gave the right to
become children of God, to
those who believe in His name:**

