

# WHO IS GOD?

We teach that the God of the Scriptures is the only true God, a living, personal, invisible Spirit, Who is infinite eternal, and unchanging in His existence and attributes; Who is eternally existing in Three Persons – Father, Son, Holy Spirit, Who is sovereign over all things and through Whom all things have their origin, support, and consummation.

\* **Bible Verses:** Deuteronomy 6:4; Isaiah 45:5-7; John 17:3; Daniel 6:20,26; 1 Thessalonians 1:9; Genesis 6:6; Ephesians 4:30; John 1:18; Colossians 1:15; Jeremiah 23:24; Isaiah 40:28; Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 6:17; Genesis 1:1; Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Nehemiah 9:6; Romans 11:36; 1 Corinthians 8:6

- **God the Father:** God the Father is Father over all creation Father of the nation of Israel, Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, Father of believers in Jesus Christ and disciplinarian of His children. He has decreed for His own glory all things that come to pass. He continually upholds, directs, and governs all creatures and events. In His sovereignty He is neither author nor approver of sin. He has graciously chosen from eternity past those whom He would have as His own; He saves from sin all who come to Him through Jesus Christ.

\* **Bible Verses:** Acts 17:29; Exodus 4:22; Matthew 3:17; Galatians 3:26; Hebrews 12:9; Ephesians 1:11; 1 Chronicles 29:11; Habakkuk 1:13; John 8:38-47; Ephesians 1:4-6

- **God the Son:** The second Person of the Godhead is the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the eternal begotten Son of God conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, He is true God and true man and is the only sufficient Mediator between God and man. He is the ultimate revelation of God to man, He led a perfect and sinless life, and through His death and resurrection He accomplished the reconciliation of God and man. We teach that the Lord Jesus Christ accomplished our redemption through His death on the Cross as our representative, vicarious, substitutionary sacrifice; and that our justification is made sure by his literal, physical resurrection from the dead. We teach that the Lord Jesus Christ ascended to heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of the Father where, as our High Priest, He fulfills the ministry of Representative, Intercessor, Advocate and Judge. He fulfills the offices of Prophet, Priest and King.

\* **Bible Verses:** John 1:1, 2, 14; Matthew 11:27; Matthew 1:20; Luke 1:35; John 12:45; 1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 1:1-3; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Romans 4:25; Romans 3:24,25; 1 Peter 2:24; Acts 1:9, 10; Hebrews 7:25; 9:24 Romans 8:34; 1 John 2:1-2; John 5:22-23

- **God the Holy Spirit:** We teach that the Holy Spirit is a divine Person, eternal, underived, possessing all the attributes of personality and deity. He is co-equal and consubstantial with the Father and the Son. We teach that the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Godhead, whose ministry is to convict the world of sin, of righteousness, and of judgment; to regenerate the unbelieving, baptizing all believers into the body of Christ, indwelling, and sealing them until the day of redemption. We teach that He is the Divine Teacher Who guides believers into all truth, and that it is the privilege and duty of all the saved to be filled with the Spirit.

\* **Bible Verses:** Matthew 28:19; Acts 5:3-4; 28:25-26; 1 Corinthians 12:4-6; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 10:15-17; John 16:8-11; John 14:26; Ephesians 1:13, 14; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; 2 Corinthians 3:6; Romans 8:9; John 16:13; Ephesians 5:18; 1 John 2:20, 27