



God The Father

One On One Resource

The purpose of this study is to help you understand who God the Father is and the role He plays in the Trinity. Although a lot of time is spent on Jesus, knowing more about God the Father is vital because Jesus was doing His Father's will and is the connection point back to relationship with God the Father. If Jesus is pointing us to God, we should know more about Him.

1. Why do you think we need to study God the Father if we have Jesus as an example?

We are to have a relationship with God the Father just like Adam and Eve did, so we should know what He is like, His heart, His will, and how that relationship should look. Jesus is also always pointing humanity to God the Father. In John 14:9-11 Jesus tells us that if we've seen him, we've seen the Father.

2. What are some of the ways you would describe a great father?

Our earthly father, or our lack of an earthly father, affects our image of our heavenly father, but Scripture shows us that the best example of a truly great father is God.

3. What does Jesus say about God the Father? Read the following passages together and talk about the characteristics of God the Father they reveal.

- a. John 4:34: The One who sent Jesus
- b. Matthew 6:25-34: Our provider
- c. John 8:28: The one who gave Jesus the words to teach
- d. John 5:17: The healer and caretaker for all of creation, especially humans
- e. John 5:26: The source of life
- f. John 3:16: The One who loves the world and sent Jesus

4. Let's go deeper into the last passage by going back to Genesis 1 and reading verses 1-8. What is God the Father's role in creation?

He is the one who spoke creation into existence, named it, and assigned its purpose/function.

5. Read Romans 2:16. Who is God here?

Conclusion

We are ending on this point that God is our Judge because we started with God being the Creator in the beginning. He is the one who spoke and gave life its purpose and function. He then spends all of Scripture desiring a relationship with us, working to our benefit, and sends Jesus to die for us. Who better to judge us and know what's really in our hearts than the one who created us, gave us purpose, and did everything possible to be in relationship with us?

Relevant Scriptures:

Genesis 1: God at Creation
Exodus 33:18-23: Moses sees God's back
Psalm 68:5: God the Father
Matthew 3: 13-17: God at Jesus' baptism
Matthew 6:25-34: God the Provider
Romans 2:16: God the Judge

