

TAKEAWAY

BIG IDEAS

Key Christian Beliefs

The Trinity

Sunday 4th November 2018

INTRODUCTION

The Trinity is a very hard thing to understand, but worth our attention because when we talk about the Trinity we're talking about God.

READ

Genesis 1v1, 1v26

DISCUSS

1. What did you already know about the Trinity?
2. What analogies for the Trinity have you heard? How were they helpful or unhelpful? How did Sunday help further your understanding?
3. The Trinitarian God doesn't need us for anything - including the giving and receiving of love. Why is this reassuring? In light of this, why do you think God made us?
4. The central feature of reality is that God is who He is (He is mysteriously a set of mutually giving persons that eternally love one another!) What are some of the implications of this for humanity?
5. How does the Trinity model how we are supposed to do relationships?
6. What does it mean for us to love one another and our communities in light of the Triune God? How is it different from what we might expect to do if God was 'one' in all senses of the word?
11. *"The doctrine of the Trinity expels a host of unworthy ideas about God's love. . . God is not lonely, or bored, or selfish. . . This is what the doctrine of the Trinity helps us learn with greater precision: that God is love. The triune God is a love that is infinitely high above you, eternally preceding you, and welcoming you in."*

Spend some time considering this quote (Fred Sanders) and pray.

