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## The Trinity?

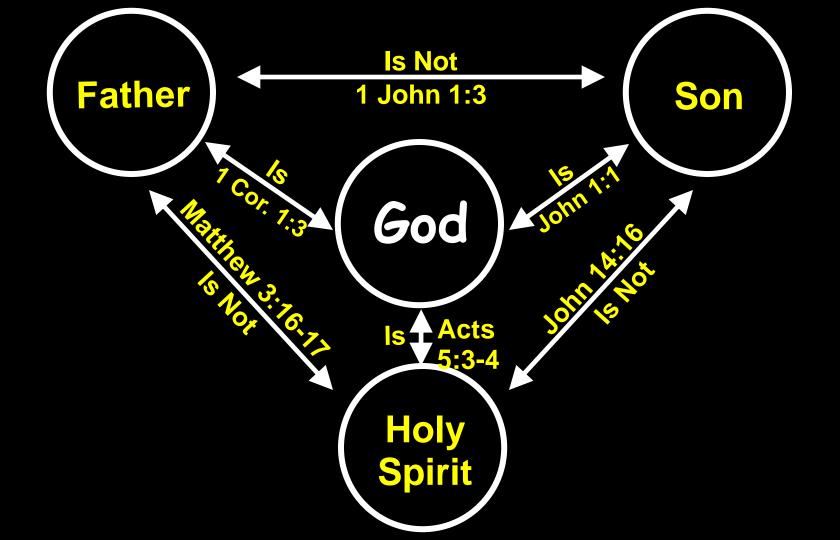
- Trinity: from the Latin "trinitas" meaning "threefold"
- Common misconceptions about God:
  - Unitarianism: Jesus only, He is the Father and Holy Spirit.
  - Plurality of God's: Jehovah is Almighty God, Jesus is a lesser god (J.W.)



## The bible teaches that there is only ONE God. Need to understand what the word <u>one</u> means: Hebrew word <u>yachiyd</u> means "solitary in number". Judg. 11:34

This word never applied to God.

- Hebrew word 'echad denotes unity, acting as one.
  - It can sometimes refer to one of a group. Gen. 2:21
  - Usually it is multiple acting as one. Gen. 2:24
  - Single purpose. 2 Chro. 30:12
  - This is the word applied to God. Deut. 6:4
    - We can see the unity of God in: *Gen. 1:26; 3:22;* 11:7; *Isa. 6:8; John 17:20-23*



- God in Three Persons.
  - Each is called God.
    - The Father. John 6:27
    - The Son. *Col. 2:8-9*
    - The Holy Spirit. Acts 5:3-4

- God in Three Persons.
  - Equal.
    - Jesus and Father are one. John 10:30; Phil. 2:6
    - Equality seen is salutations. *Rom. 1:7; Gal. 1:3*
    - Equality seen in prayer. 2 Cor. 13:14

- God in Three Persons.
  - Each functions in different roles in dealing with mankind.
    - Jehovah as the Father. *Heb.* 12:9
    - Jesus as the Savior. *Eph. 5:23*
    - The Holy Spirit as the source of Truth. John 16:13

- God in Three Persons.
  - United in work
    - The creation.
      - Gen. 1:1-2; Col. 1:15-16; Job 33:4
    - Salvation.
      - Eph. 3:5-7; Matt. 28:18-20

