



God, The Son

Focus: on exalting Jesus as the 2nd person of the Trinity, who submits to his Father in love and who brings the Father and His love to us.

Here is a link to a helpful article on the Trinity:

<http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2012/december/three-is-loveliest-number.html>

Review:

- see if your group can reconstruct from memory the three truths that underlie the doctrine of the Trinity.

- 1. God is one.
- 2. God exists in three persons.
- 3. The three persons are each fully God.

- What were the two main truths we reflected on about the Father last week?

1. He rules over all (even His Son) - 1 Cor. 15:28

2. He loves (especially His Son) - Jn. 17:23-26

On God the Son:

- Read John 5:18-30 and discuss how you see:

1. Jesus' deity

2. His submission to the Father

- What makes those two things hard to put together in our minds (Jesus being equal with the Father and submitting to the Father)?
- Read the following passages about Jesus' loving obedience to His Father and discuss whether you think our culture "gets" the connection between obedience and love.

John 4.34 & 15.10

- Read 2 Tim. 3.2-4 and 1 John 4.7-12. How can we fuel our love for God and not towards self?
- How ought the loving relationship amongst the Trinity be shaping your home?

key passages: 1 Cor. 11:3; Eph. 5.22-30; 6.1-4



"In the seventh century, John of Damascus described the relationship of the three persons of God as perichoresis. This word literally means "the circle dance."

– Tobin Wilson

Application:

- focus on steps to fuel our love for God and ways that love should be shaping our home.