



## WHO IS GOD?

In order to share your faith with others, it's important to be able to answer the question, "Who is God?" While our human nature does limit our understanding, knowing the Apostles' Creed and what it says about the nature of God is a great place start.

- 1) Do you know the meaning of your name or the story behind why you were given that name? If so, share with the group.
- 2) Pastor Schlie pointed out that each person of the Trinity has a name and job function.

**The first person of the Trinity is named God the Father. Why is that a good thing? Why is that potentially a difficult thing?**

**God the Father's primary role is being The Creator. Which part of creation do you think reveals who He is and why?**

- 3) What is the difference between knowing someone and knowing about someone? Who is someone in your life who really knows you?

**How does believing you are known by God influence your answer to the question, "Who is God?"**

Read Colossians 1:21-22

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation.

- 4) Other than His death and resurrection for our sins, what is one thing you most associate with Jesus?

**How does that focus influence the way you answer the question, "Who is Jesus?"**

- 5) The Bible often describes the Holy Spirit as the Breath of Heaven. What were some of the gifts Pastor Schlie mentioned that the Holy Spirit bestows on Christians?

**How do those gifts influence the way you live out your faith?**

In worship on Sundays we often state, "I believe in God" during the Apostles' Creed. What does that mean to you?

Read Matthew 3:13-17

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

**How do you see the Trinity represented in these verses?**