

*Are God the Father and the Holy Spirit the same?*

The godhead is triune (Is 6:3). The Father is not the Son and the Son is not the Spirit—one is *they*. There are three persons in the godhead<sup>1</sup> who are holy (Is. 6:3) and wise (Pr 8:22–31).

The Father, the first person of the trinity, draws men to himself (Jn 6:44).

The godhead incarnated in Jesus Christ, the second person of the trinity (Col 2:9).

The Holy Spirit, the third person of the trinity, testifies of Jesus (Jn 15:26) and convicts men of sin (Jn 16:8–11).

Jesus said that the world was judged for sin: “Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.” Jn 12:31–32. The Holy Spirit bears witness to this fact (Jn 16:7–11).

Men were not created to be worshiped. God alone is to be worshipped (Ex 20:3). All three persons of the trinity have worked in the hopes that men will humble themselves before him (Ac 17:27). They must be born again (Jn 3:7).

Jesus came down from heaven to fulfill the will of God (Jn 6:38-39). The trinity is: God the Father initiating, God the Son complying and God the Spirit executing. In relationship to salvation it is: God the Father planned it, God the Son procured it and God the Spirit applies it to our lives.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The apostle John saw one figure on the throne in heaven (Re 4:2).

<sup>2</sup> Begg, Alistair. The Truth For Life 17 December 2018: The Incarnation Explained by Jesus.