

## **BANANA NEWS**



### **GO DEEPER**

### **BOTTOM LINE**

# GOD IS THREE-IN-ONE

#### **MEMORY VERSE**

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

\*\*Romans 12:2 (NLT)\*\*

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#### **BIBLE PASSAGES**

**DAY 1: Only One God** *Read - Deuteronomy 6:4, Acts 17:22-28, Isaiah 46:9* God is the One True God. Some people worship many things or believe in gods that are not real. In Acts we read about Paul teaching about who the One True God is. Grab some paper and make a list of the truths about the One True God that Paul teaches us. What do you know to be true about God that you could tell other people?

**DAY 2: God the Father** *Read - Ephesians 4:6, Isaiah 64:8, James 1:17, 1 Peter 1:3* When you think of a good father, what things come to mind? What did the verses say about God as our Father? God the Father is the Creator of everything, including the Creator of a plan for our salvation. As a perfect Father, He lovingly guides and corrects us, He provides for our needs, He gives wisdom to those who ask, His love never stops, and so much more!

**DAY 3: God the Son** *Read - John 1:1-2, John 3:16, Matthew 16:24* God the Son was with God the Father in the beginning. He fulfilled the plan God the Father created to offer us salvation. God the Son, Jesus, took form as a human to be our Redeemer. By living a perfect life here on earth and then dying on a cross to pay the price for our sins, He fulfilled the plan God the Father created to offer us salvation.

**DAY 4: God the Holy Spirit** *Read - Genesis 1:2, John 14:26, Ezekiel 36:26-27* The Holy Spirit created the world with God the Father and God the Son. God sent His Holy Spirit to Earth to help men write the Bible. He guided them so we would be sure to know the truth about God and His plan for us. The Holy Spirit is the one who speaks to people's hearts and helps them know they need Jesus as their Savior. The Holy Spirit is a helper to those who follow Jesus.

#### DAY 5: The Trinity Read - Genesis 1:26a-27

When God spoke in Genesis, He didn't say "MY" image; He said "OUR" image. That's a reference to God being Three-in-One. Just like one egg is made up of a shell, yolk, and whites, it is still one egg. The Father creates and provides, the Son redeems and is our example to follow, and the Holy Spirit sets us apart and helps us. God is Three-in-One!



Materials: Ice Cube, Frying Pan, Stove

\*\*This activity requires adult supervision\*\* Take the ice cube and place it in the frying pan. Turn on the heat and watch what happens. When you placed the ice cube in the pan, what happened? As the water was heated, you were able to see the three forms of water. These different forms can remind us of the three forms of God.

- God the Father Ice is hard. It is solid. This can remind you that God the Father is our solid foundation. Psalm 89:14a - Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne...
- God the Son We use water to clean ourselves. This can remind you that God the Son, died on the cross to cleanse us of our sin. We also drink water to stay alive! Jesus is also called the Living Water (John 4:10) and in Him we are offered life forever with Him.
- God the Holy Spirit Gas cannot be seen, but you can see its effects. You could see it make air bubbles in the water in the pan and you could feel the warmth of the steam. We can see the effects of the Holy Spirit . The Spirit works to make God's plans known to us and to change us to become more like Jesus.

Was the water that was in the ice cube the same water that you saw in the pan? Was the water you saw in the pan the same water you saw as steam? It was the same water no matter what form it took! Did you know there is even a temperature at which water can be in all 3 forms at one time! It's called the "triple point" and you can learn more about that at <a href="https://tinyurl.com/H2O3in1">https://tinyurl.com/H2O3in1</a>. Water at its "triple point", is a way to help us picture that God is one and yet He exists as three.



*Materials: Detective Note (attached to PDF)* 

The word "Trinity" is not written anywhere in the Bible. However, as people have studied God's Word, they have come up with different words to help us understand what we read and believe. "Trinity" is one of those words. The word Trinity has the word "tri" in it; just like triangle and triceratops. "Tri" means "three." A triangle has three sides in one shape, and a triceratops has three horns on one head. And "nity" means unity or together. The Trinity is the way some people describe God being Three-in-One. Get your Bible and use it to help you complete the "Detective Notes" and see what you can discover about God being Three-in-One!



Materials: 3 Strands of String

Create a braided reminder that God is Three-in-One. It takes three strings to make one braid. Each string is needed for the braid to exist. As you create your braid, think about what you have learned about God this week. Once completed, turn your braid into a bracelet, headband, key chain, or zipper pull for your backpack. Let it remind you that there is only One True God and that God is Three-in-One. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.



# DETECTIVE NOTES

MYSTERY QUESTION

"ARE GOD, JESUS AND THE HOLY SPIRIT THE SAME?"



God is Three in One!

# CLUE : SOLYE

Fill in the blanks using the chart below to find out how we can answer the mystery question using God's Word!

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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**EVIDENCE**: **R**ead the verses then circle the persons of God mentioned in each story.

Creation

FATHER

SON

**SPIRIT** 

(Genesis 1:1-2)

Angel Speaks to Mary FATHER

SON

**SPIRIT** 

(Luke 1:35)

The Cross

**FATHER** 

SON

SPIRIT

(L uke 23:44-46)

**Jesus Baptized** 

FATHER

SON

SPIRIT

(Matthew 3:16-17)