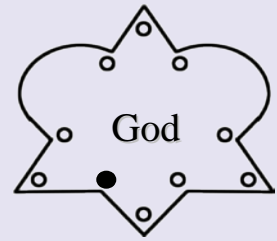


Truly Great To Know God

1.6 Holy Triune God

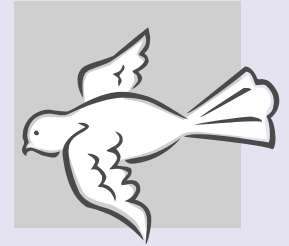
Bible Verse: Matthew 28:19

Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



Proclaim: *God the Father has, by His Son, sent His Spirit upon us.*

Truth: God is a Triune God: the Father, Son & the Holy Spirit.
 God the Father sent His son, Jesus Christ, to save us;
 His Holy Spirit to comfort and help us.



Scripture Reference: Matthew 3:13-17

Lesson : (1) **The Triune God** – The Bible tells us that God is a Triune God – the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: “And when Jesus had been baptized, just as He came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were 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 Beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.’” (Matthew 3:16-17)

(2) **Equal status and position** – *Illustrate and explain: When ice melts, it becomes liquid. After boiling, the liquid becomes steam. However, this does not change its original matter or nature. In the same way, The Father in heaven, Jesus Christ the Son and the Holy Spirit are all One and the same God, yet existing in three Persons of equal status and position.* (Philippians 2:5-6)

(3) **Heavenly Father, Holy Son and Holy Spirit** – *The Heavenly Father is the One who created the universe and all lives. He is now the One who hears the prayers of His people. He is a God of love, but is also the great and awesome God. In the old Testament, God caused the grounds to open up, swallowing Korah and his people instantly, for they had despised His leaders. The Holy Son was God who became flesh and came to the world to be the Savior for men. He resurrected on the third day and is now at the right hand of God the Father, interceding for His people. The Holy Spirit was He who filled and empowered the disciples of the Lord in the days of the New Testament.* (Numbers 16:31-33; Romans 8:34)

(4) **Holy Spirit who dwells in us** – *God had said: “And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth.... you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you”; “The Holy Spirit will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have spoken to you.”*

The Holy Spirit comes to indwell a person when he accepts Jesus Christ as Lord.

Conclusion: The bible commands: Do not get drunk with wine but be filled with God’s Holy Spirit. We must ask the Father to fill us and control our lives by His Spirit daily.

You Will Need:	A BIBLE; VISUAL AIDS- Lesson Title and Memory Verse; Cards written with the words FATHER, SON & HOLY SPIRIT; Items to show Water, Ice & Steam
BIBLE STORY TELLING	Matthew 3:13-17 Baptism of Jesus
OBJECT LESSON SHOW & TELL	Use the 3 equal states of water to symbolize the three Persons of GOD – Heavenly Father, Son, Holy Spirit 1. Water becomes ice when cooled & steam when heated 2. All 3 are different states of the same substance H ₂ O. 3. In the same way, GOD exists as the Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit – different roles but of the same status.
PRAY	Thank God for sending his Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross in our place for the penalty of our sins. Ask that Holy Spirit may be the Master of our hearts.