*The Trinity*

**Note to the parent:** One of the most complex and difficult subjects for people to understand, so with our kids, please be patient and remember, that while they may not fully understand what you are talking about, by starting the discussion on the topic, you are opening the door for future conversations and deeper understanding as your kids grow and mature. The following lesson is designed to help you teach your children at a basic level.

If you are looking to add to your own knowledge of the Trinity and why it is important, check out these links:

<https://coastalchurch.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/6-Trinity-Unbiblical-Booklet.pdf>

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eAvYmE2YYIU&t=2s>

**Listen to the Song**:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gZ_vnP0kwrQ>

**Ask your kids:**

What is this song about?

This song talks about the Trinity. Do you know what that is? The Trinity means tri-unity. You see God is made up of 3 different parts. While all 3 parts are cannot be the same person, they all make up the one God. Kind of crazy.

Before we get into the trinity, we need to identify what we know about God. God is love. He did not create the world because he was bored and was looking for something to love or to entertain him, God created the world and humanity (humans), as an out pouring of his love. He had so much love to give, that he created us.

**Explaining the Trinity as the Speaker, the Word, and the Breath**

One way to help us understand the trinity is this: Think about what happens when we talk. There is a speaker (the person saying the words), the words and the breath the sends the words outs. In the Trinity, there is God the Father, he is the speaker, when he speaks, he sends his word, which scripture tells us is Jesus or God the Son. But whenever we speak, we always have breath, this breath in reference to God is God the Holy Spirit. We cannot see the Spirit just as we cannot see our breath, but it dwells within us. In John 20:22 Jesus breathed on the disciples and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’

We need to know that breath cannot be the words spoken nor the speaker, the speaker cannot be the words or breath and the words cannot be the speaker or the breath. The same is with God. God the father cannot be God the Son or God the Holy Spirit. God the Son cannot be God the Holy Spirit or God the Father, and God the Holy Spirit cannot be God the Father or God the Son. All 3 make up God yet are different. They also cannot exist wit out the other. God the father needs God the Son and Holy Spirit just as a speaker needs words and breath, as does the Son need the Father and the Holy Spirit, and so on with the Holy Spirit.

It’s a lot to take in. To help us understand, lets check out this video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-1AdUwbWLw>

**Craft:**

Trinity Shield

Print off the Trinity Shield from the link below, discuss and colour.

<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/1d/34/8d/1d348d5911dc10499299bad405e96395.jpg>

You may also want to use this coloring sheet:

<https://whatsinthebible.com/activity-library/the-trinity/>