

Discovering the Christian Faith

Session 3: A Divine Relationship **God the Father**

God the Father



God the Father

- The Creator of everything from nothing.

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

Genesis 1:1



God the Father

- The Creator of everything from nothing.
- The Creator of you.

"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place."

Psalms 139:14-15



God the Father

- The Creator of everything from nothing.
- The Creator of you.
- You are not an accident.
- Made in the "Image of God."



God the Father

"So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.'"

Genesis 1:27-28

God the Father

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- The Creator of you.
- You are not an accident.
- Made in the "Image of God."
- God's design in creation is good.

"God saw all that he had made, and it was very good."

Genesis 1:31



God the Father

- The Creator of everything from nothing.
- The Creator of you.
- You are not an accident.
- Made in the "Image of God."
- God's design in creation is good
- We live in a fallen Creation.



God the Father

"To the woman he said, 'I will make your pains in childbearing very severe; with painful labor you will give birth to children. Your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.'"

Genesis 3:16-19

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To Adam he said . . . "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."

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"And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring a and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

Genesis 3:15

God the Father

- The ongoing work of creation
- God is preserver and provider

"Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else."

Acts 17:25



Why is Creation important?

- We have a **PURPOSE**
- There is **MEANING** to the universe and our lives.
- We are **STEWARDS** of creation
- We are **ACCOUNTABLE** to the creator
- We are to **RESPECT** the life He has created.



It's all about Relationships . . .

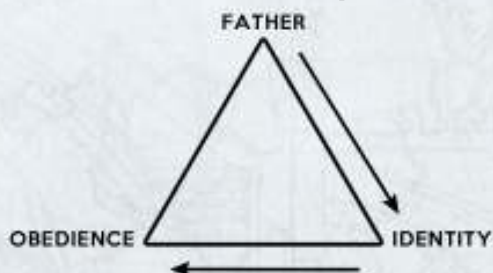
- God the Creator is God Our Father

"This, then, is how you should pray: 'Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name . . .'"

Matthew 6:9



Covenant Relationship



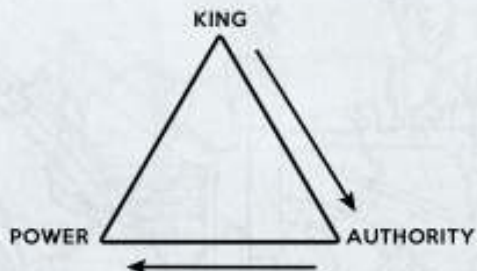
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- God the Creator is God Our King

"For thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever and ever."

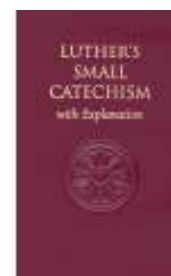


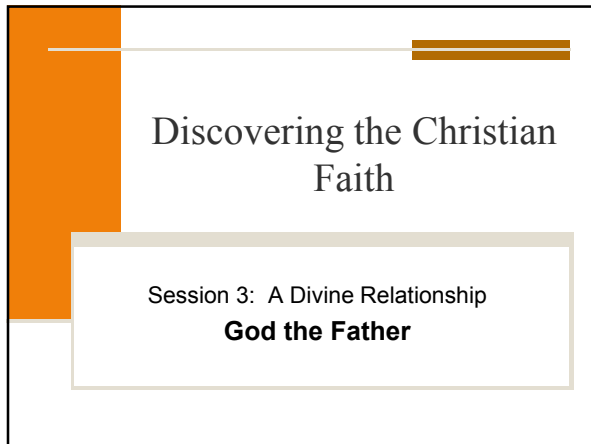
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