

# KIDMUNITY | This I Believe

## Lesson 03: God The Father

### Large Group Script

#### Bottom Line:

*God the Father is the creator, a just judge, and he calls me his child.*

#### Memory Verse:

*"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"*

**1 John 3:1**

#### Supplies Needed

Large bag (not see-through)

Two Blindfolds

Five mystery objects: pineapple, slinky, whisk, pine cone, rubber chicken

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## WHAT AM I? Mystery Object Challenge

Bring up two volunteers per round: Blindfold the "Feeler" and the "Guesser." The Feeler may only describe what they physically feel — texture, shape, size — but cannot name the object or say what it's used for. They have 30 seconds while their partner guesses. After time is up, reveal the object. There are no winners — just discovery and laughter.

Object 1: Pineapple

Object 2: Slinky

Object 3: Whisk

Object 4: Pinecone

Object 5: Rubber Chicken

After the final reveal, gather attention.

"Was the object real? Yes. Were they really touching it? Yes. But was it always easy to explain? No.

Sometimes something can be completely real but hard to describe. You can experience it, but explaining it clearly stretches your brain.

Can anyone explain exactly how Wi-Fi works? We use it every day. It lets us stream movies and play games. But most of us couldn't explain how information travels through the air. Just because we don't fully understand something doesn't mean it isn't real.

Tonight we're going to talk about something that is completely real, something the Bible clearly teaches, but something that stretches our minds."

## A MYSTERY BIGGER THAN US

Christians believe that God exists as the Trinity. That means there is one God, but this one God exists as three distinct Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Father is fully God.

The Son is fully God.

The Holy Spirit is fully God.

THERE ARE NOT THREE GODS – there is one God.

For thousands of years, theologians have studied and wrestled with this truth. And although what the Bible teaches about the Trinity makes sense, it still stretches the human mind.

You might hear this and think, "I understand it." And maybe you do. But if it feels completely simple, it may mean we haven't yet seen how big it really is. Because we are human – and God is not. God is bigger than our comparisons. Bigger than our categories. Bigger than our illustrations.

Over time, people have tried to simplify the Trinity, and sometimes they've said things that aren't actually true.

### **Not the Trinity – Polytheism**

Three separate gods. But the Bible teaches there is only one God.

### **Not the Trinity – Modalism**

One Person changing forms. But the Father is not the Son. The Son is not the Spirit.

### **Not the Trinity – Partialism**

Each Person is one-third of God. But each Person is fully God.

The Trinity stretches our minds because we are limited, and God is not.

Over the next three weeks, we're going to keep unpacking this truth. We'll talk about each Person of the Trinity.

And today, we begin with God the Father.

# GOD THE FATHER

## Creator

*"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."  
Genesis 1:1*

Before anything existed, before time, space, light, or life, God was there. Everything that has been made was made by Him. He did not build the world from leftover materials. He spoke, and it came into existence. Mountains, oceans, stars, galaxies — all of it began with His voice.

But when God created people, something changed.

The rest of creation was spoken into existence. Humanity was formed. Scripture tells us that God shaped the first man from the dust of the ground and breathed life into him. We were not just spoken, we were personally formed and filled with His breath. We were the prize of His creation, made uniquely and intentionally.

*"Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand."  
Isaiah 64:8*

God is not distant from what He made. Like a potter shaping clay, He formed us with care and purpose.

*"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."  
Psalm 139:13*

You are not random. You are not an accident. The Creator of the universe personally formed you. The same God who spoke galaxies into existence shaped you with intention and love.

## Just Judge

*"The Lord reigns forever; he has established his throne for judgment. He rules the world in righteousness and judges the peoples with equity."  
Psalm 9:7-8*

God is not only the Creator, but He is Judge. He rules over His creation with perfect righteousness. Unlike human judges who can be biased, mistaken, or unfair, God sees everything clearly. He knows every action, every motive, every hidden thought. Nothing escapes His sight.

Because He is holy and good, He must judge what is wrong. A world without justice would not be loving; it would be chaotic and broken. God's justice means there is no corruption, no favoritism, and no injustice in His courtroom. He does not overlook evil, and He does not punish unfairly. His judgments are always right.

Those who disobey are held accountable. Every person is measured by His perfect standard. And because He is righteous, we can trust that whatever He decides is completely fair and completely good.

## The Father Who Chooses

And now we move from Creator and Judge to something even more personal.

*"Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God."*

**John 1:12**

Through Jesus, whom we'll talk more about next week, God invites us into His family. The Bible describes this as adoption. Adoption means being brought into a family intentionally.

Chosen on purpose.

Think about being picked for a team. Being picked early feels amazing. Being picked last can feel embarrassing or painful. It can make you wonder if something is wrong with you.

But that's not how God chooses.

God does not choose reluctantly.

He does not pick leftovers.

He does not settle.

He invites.

The Creator and Judge of the universe becomes our Father. Not a distant ruler. Not cold authority. Father.

That means you are not merely created by Him. You are invited into a relationship with Him.

*"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"*

**1 John 3:1**

Children of God.

Isn't that the best news ever?

# WRAP-UP

I know tonight was a lot. The Trinity stretches our minds. Theology can stretch our minds. But here's what matters.

When we say the word "God," we are not talking about a vague higher power. We are not talking about just something out there.

When we say God, we mean Father, Son, and Spirit — one God, three Persons.

And today, we focused on God the Father.

He made everything.  
He rules over everything.  
He formed you personally.  
And He invites you to be His child.

As we take this journey in theology, it's important that we truly know Him, not just facts about Him, but who He is.

So today, in small groups, think specifically about God as Father. What does it mean that He created you? What does it mean that He is a just judge? What does it mean that He chooses you?

# PRAY AND DISMISS

Pray together and dismiss to small groups.