

The Knowledge of the Holy

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4 -- The Holy Trinity

By what does every man live?

FAITH. [3RD ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

Have we really become a generation of zombies? If so, how?

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Was trinitarianism always a doctrine held by Christianity?

NO. [8TH ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

What doctrine bound our Christian predecessors?

THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRINITY. [8TH ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

What was the creed that the early church fathers held?

"I BELIEVE THAT CHRIST DIED FOR ME BECAUSE IT IS INCREDIBLE; I BELIEVE THAT HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD BECAUSE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE." [9TH ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

Which comes first: faith or understanding? Can you think of a Bible verse to support your answer?

FAITH / ROMANS 10.17 -- SO FAITH COMES FROM HEARING, AND HEARING BY THE WORD OF CHRIST. (NASB) [10TH ¶]

Since reasoning is secondary, what is the Bible scholar's purpose?

TO GUARANTEE THE PURITY OF THE ORIGINAL TEXT. [11TH ¶, 3RD SENTENCE]

What does the meaning of Scripture do for us as well as the Bible scholar?

IT JUDGES US, NOT THE OTHER WAY AROUND. [11TH ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

"The doctrine of the Trinity is _____ for the _____."

TRUTH / HEART. [12TH ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

What proof did Christ give for the doctrine of the Trinity?

ANSWERS WILL VARY / HE SPOKE IN PLURAL FORM / "I AND MY FATHER ARE ONE". [13TH ¶]

Which of Christ's claims most outraged the people of His day?

HIS CLAIM TO EQUALITY WITH THE FATHER. [14TH ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

Which creed has stood the test of time, and why?

THE NICAEAN CREED / BECAUSE OF ITS STATEMENT OF FAITH IN THE DOCTRINE OF THE TRINITY. [14TH ¶]

If the persons of the Trinity are co-equal in every way, what did Christ mean when He said, "My Father is greater than I"?

CHRIST WAS SPEAKING OF HIS MANHOOD, NOT HIS DEITY. [17TH ¶]

"The Persons of the Godhead, being _____, have _____ will."

ONE / ONE. [19TH ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

"In the Scriptures the three Person are shown to act in harmonious _____ in _____ the mighty _____ that are wrought throughout the universe."

UNITY / ALL / WORKS. [21ST ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

"Such a truth had to be _____; no one could have _____ it."

REVEALED / IMAGINED. [LAST ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

How does this chapter challenge what you think about God?

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acquiescence -- reluctant agreement

enshrouded -- covered

frivolously -- effortlessly

levity -- absurdity, lack of seriousness

orthodoxy -- faithfulness to purity of doctrine

scrutiny -- examination

tenet -- belief, principle