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Scriptures

• John 1:1-3

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

• **Genesis 2:24**

...a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one...

• Deuteronomy 6:4

"Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!"

• **Genesis 1:26**

"Let Us make man in Our image..."

Other Scriptures

- John 1:14; 3:16
- Matthew 28:19
- Matthew 24:36
- John 1:18
- Deuteronomy 6:4
- John 1:32
- Matthew 3:17
- John 17:2-3

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Main Points

- Jesus is the Word of God, that has always been, clothed in humanity.
- God is the Father, Jesus is the Word and the Son, and the Holy Spirit is the Comforter.
- The Trinity: God exists eternally as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- God does not have to be singularly unified to be ONE.
 - o In marriage 2 become 1.
 - The many parts of the Tabernacle become one Tabernacle.
- The word ONE in English is Echad in Hebrew.
- Within God there is relationship.
- The English word baptism is Mikvah in Hebrew. When Jesus was baptized, all three members of the Trinity were present.
- You can embrace with your heart what your intellect cannot understand.
- Any definition of the Trinity that does not include relationship falls short.

Discussion Questions

1.	Has the concept of the Trinity and your inability to understand it been a cause of concern for you in your relationship with God? Write down some principles that you learned today that help or that you could use to help others learn about this subject.

2. How does marriage help us relate to the relationship of the Trinity? Why did the Rabbi say that it is impossible to fully explain the Trinity and that it is okay?

3. Each of the members of the Trinity has a relationship with each other and with us in particular ways. Write down the ways that each of the three Persons work in you and impact your life?

4. Take time right now to speak to God, in three Persons, blessed Trinity. Give Him your love and your life concerns.