



## The Most Important Doctrine You Never Think About

***Kick-off: before jumping into God's WORD, it's worth taking a few minutes to reflect on your own thoughts and attitudes and on the thoughts and attitudes you encounter in the WORLD...***

1. How do people ponder the creation of the world?
2. Have you ever thought about why God created the world?

***Discover: the "D" in DNA stands for DISCOVER. It's now time to read God's word and discover what God wants to teach us and why it matters...***

### ***READ Genesis 1:1-31***

3. What was the state of the world in verse 2? Who is it that is hovering over the waters?
4. What is the implication of the verse 26, as we begin to explore the nature of the triune God?
5. What is the final assessment regarding the quality of the creation in verse 31?

The word *Trinity* is famously absent from the Bible. However quickly note these references: *Gods oneness* Deu 6:4, 1 Tim 1:17; *Jesus Divinity* John 8:58, Heb 1:3; *Deity of the Holy Spirit* Heb 9:14 (Eternal Spirit), Acts 5:3-4 (Uses Spirit and God interchangeably) *and the equation of the same rank amongst the Trinity* Matt 28:19 & Eph 1:13-14.

### ***READ Isaiah 44:9-11 & 45:20-22***

6. How is idolatry so heart-breaking and God's salvation so necessary?

### ***READ 1 John 4:7-10***

7. How did the triune God demonstrate his love?

8. Even in our desire to love others with gifts, the gifts we choose can often reflect our loves. How is that God's love is so pure and free?

9. The Puritan Pastor Richard Stibbes wrote: *Those that are led with the Spirit of God, that are like him, they have a communicative, diffusive goodness that loves to spread itself.* How could your love reflect our triune God?

Pray giving thanks that even when we fail to reflect God's love, God the Son advocates for us.