Blessed Trinity

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<u>Matthew 28:16-20</u>

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The Trinity - God in 3 Persons

Genesis 1:1-2

I In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. 2 Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and <u>the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters</u>.

Genesis 1:26

Then God said, "Let <u>us</u> make man in our image, in <u>our</u> likeness...

Matthew 1:23

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him <u>Immanuel</u>"—which means, "<u>God with us</u>."

<u>John 1:1-3, 14</u>

I In the beginning was the Word, and <u>the Word was with God</u>, and <u>the Word was God</u>. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 <u>Through</u> <u>him all things were made</u>; without him nothing was made that has been made. 4-13... 14 <u>The Word became flesh</u> and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of <u>the One and Only</u>, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

<u>Luke 3:21-22</u>

2I When all the people were being baptized, <u>Jesus was baptized</u> too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened 22 and <u>the Holy Spirit</u> <u>descended on him</u> in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "<u>You are my Son</u>, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

<u>Mark 12:29-30</u>

29 "The most important [commandment]," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, <u>the Lord is one</u>." (Deut 6:4)

Through the Trinity, we have ...

I. GOD'S <u>AUTHORITY</u>

Matthew 28:18

18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "<u>All authority</u> in heaven and on earth <u>has been given to me</u>. 19 <u>Therefore</u>..."

Through the Trinity, we have ...

2. DIVINE MISSION

<u>Matthew 28:19-20</u>

"19 Therefore <u>go and make disciples</u> of all nations, <u>baptizing</u> <u>them</u> in the <u>name</u> of <u>the Father</u> and of <u>the Son</u> and of <u>the Holy</u> <u>Spirit</u>, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you..."

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3. GOD'S PRESENCE

Matthew 28:20

"... And surely <u>I am with you always</u>, <u>to the very end of the</u> <u>age</u>."

<u>John 16:7</u>

"But I tell you the truth: <u>It is for your good that I am going</u> <u>away</u>. Unless I go away, <u>the Counselor</u> will not come to you; but <u>if I go</u>, <u>I will send him to you</u>."