

New City Catechism Class

Week Three

Q3: How many persons are there in God?

A3: There are three persons in the one true and living God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. They are the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

2 Corinthians 13:14 “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all” (ESV).

Discuss the question:

- What does the question mean by “persons”?
- What does the question mean by “in God”?
- How does Question 3 relate to Question 2?

Discuss the Scripture:

- What is the nature of a benediction?
- Who is providing these blessings?
- What is the context of Paul’s relationship with the Corinthians?
- What does the Trinity teach us about grace or the blessing of redemption as a whole (see 2 Cor. 8:9)?
- What does the Trinity teach us about love?
- What does the Trinity teach us about fellowship?

Discuss the answer in light of the Scripture:

- How do we see that there are three persons from the passage?
- How do we see that there is one true God?
- How do we see that he is the living God?
- How do we see that each person is the same in substance?
- How do we see that each person is equal in power and glory?

What are some practical ways in which your life would change if you consistently lived in light of this truth?

What can you do to more consistently remember and apply this truth to your daily life?