

Nature of God

I. The Nature of God

A. The Self-Existence of God

1. The self-existence of God is demonstrated in the term *Aseitas*, which means God, is self-originated
2. New Testament scripture evidences for the self-existence of God are (John 5:26, Acts 7:25, Rom 11:33,34, Rom 9:19, Eph 1:5, Rev 4:11)

B. The Immutability of God

1. God is devoid of all change
2. Scripture refs for the Immutability of God (Ex 3:14, Psa 102:26-28, Isa 41:4, Mal 3:6, Rom 1:23, Jas 1:17).

C. The Infinity of God

1. God is perfect and free from all limitations
2. His Absolute Perfection
3. His Eternity is demonstrated in the following scripture refs (Psa 90:2, 102:12, Eph 3:21).
4. His Immensity

D. The Unity of God

1. The Unitas Singularitatis
2. The Unitas Simplicitatis

II. The Attributes of God

A. Moral Purity

1. Holiness
2. Righteousness
3. Justice

B. Integrity

1. Veracity
2. Faithfulness

C. Love

1. Grace
2. Mercy
3. Persistence

III. The Trinity of God

The OneNess of God

1. Scripture refs for the OneNess of God are (Deut 6:4, Isa 44:6, John 17:3)
2. The Deity of Three
3. Three in OneNess

Doctrinal Statement

- An intelligent and Personal Creator has revealed himself to mankind. The Bible defines this creator as God, who is revealed in 3 persons being the trinity.
 - I reject atheism, Agnosticism and any other religion that denies the existence of God
- The attributes of God-that is the qualities that may truly be ascribed to Him- do concern the way that God exists or His moral character which is shown by his words and deeds.

I believe that God is self-existent, self-sufficient and self-sustaining

- God does not have it in Him to stop existing, because he exists.
- Acts 17:23-25

I believe that God is infinite and without a body (God is a spirit) and is Omnipresent, Omniscient, Omnipotence, and eternal

- Omnipresence- Psa 139:7
- Omniscience- Isa 40:14
- Omnipotence- Psa 89:13

I believe that God is transcendent and immanent in his world

God is Holy and pure

- God is made up of love- 1 John 4:18

I believe that God is morally perfect

- God has revealed ways with mankind have rendered him awesome but adorable.

I believe that God is One

- Deut 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:
- John 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.
- Isa 44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

I believe that God has revealed himself in 3 persons being the trinity

- New Testament Teachings on the Trinity are:
 - Matt 28:19-** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
 - 2 Corinthians 13:14-**The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.
 - 1 Peter 1:2-** Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

I believe that each person of the trinity is divinely distinct

- Matt 27:46-And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
- Gal 4:4-But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law
- John 5:37-And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.

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