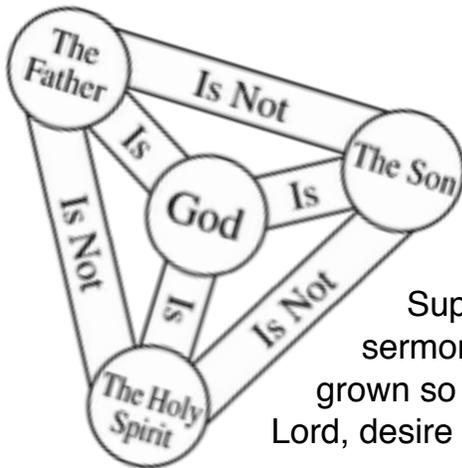


first place love HOME GROUPS GUIDE:

JUNE #1 OF 2

Every class will choose when to gather in homes, about twice a month, to share what class members are learning and to go deeper together in prayer. These in-home gatherings are for believers to encourage one another in applying the truths learned in the prior two Worship Service sermons and the two prior Sunday School lessons. This will give you an extended opportunity to **See and Share** together with like-minded believers wanting to make the most of this opportunity.

The equipment: your Bible, *first [place] love LEARNER GUIDES*, and sermon notes from the last 2 weeks (sermon notes and the pastor's sermon is on www.fbcwinnsboro.org click on **first place love**)



1. We'll never fully understand the Trinity, but there are some things we should know as Bible-believing believers. The diagram on the left tells us that each member of the Trinity is God, but that they are not each other. When the Old Testament says "God," is it referring to Triune God, or God the Father?

Support your answer with Scripture from the first 2 weeks' lessons, sermons or other Scriptures. How has your understanding of the Trinity grown so far through this study? How has it increased your love for the Lord, desire to know Him, and surrender to His will?

2. Hebrews 1 speaks of the increasing revelation of God over time. Which member of the Trinity has (Triune) God chosen to reveal Himself most completely through? Colossians 1:19 and 2:9 speak of the fullness of God being in bodily form. Read 2 John 9, is it possible to know Triune God apart from knowing Him in Christ?
3. The phrase "supremacy of Christ" does not mean Jesus is better than God the Father or the Holy Spirit. According to Colossians 1, what is Jesus better than? Why is God orchestrating all of creation and history to be under the reign of Christ, specifically (v. 18)?
4. In what way does the supremacy of Christ mean He has legitimate claim to all of us?
5. How do we compartmentalize our lives so we don't truly give Him all of our hearts or all of our lives? Read 2 Chronicles 25:2 about King Amaziah. Compare King Amaziah to King Hezekiah in Isaiah 38:3. Is it possible to do what is right in God's sight, and still have a divided heart? Do Christians struggle with giving God all of our hearts and all of our lives? Does God want both? Consider King Josiah's example of repentance in 2 Kings 23:25. Discuss how to return to the Lord to give Him whole-hearted love and total life surrender.
6. How does a low view of Jesus affect how believers and unbelievers respond to Him with their heart and their lives? Can every ailment affecting the church and our culture find its root in a low view of Jesus? How can the supremacy of Christ be the antidote?

7. How does Jesus' role in creation increase your view of His Lordship? How does it increase your conviction that He personally wants to be in relationship with you?
8. What are statements or Scriptures the Holy Spirit has used to increase the fervency of your love for the Lord over the last two weeks?
9. What are statements or Scriptures the Holy Spirit has used to increase the Lordship of Christ in areas of your life needing repentance?
10. What are other ways God has shown you more of Himself through this emphasis on the supremacy of Christ? As your vision of Him has become more clear, how did that cause you to want to respond? How will you continue walking in deepening Lordship and more-fervent desire to know and love Him?