God the Father

Chapter 3 Summary

Chapter Learning Objectives

The participants will examine how God has revealed himself to us, especially in the image of Father.

The participants will reflect on ways to nurture their relationships with God, family, and friends.

Content Summary

1. God revealed himself to Moses as I AM, or Yahweh*.* This name expresses the power and infinity of God.

2. God has revealed himself as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—one God in three Divine Persons who is the Holy Trinity.

3. Belief in God as Trinity is the central belief of all Christians.

4. Even when God reveals himself to us, he is essentially mystery*.* No human being can completely know or understand God.

5. God the Father is all-powerful, all-knowing, and everywhere. Although God is neither male nor female, we call God “Father,” as Jesus did.

6. God is eternal and beyond time, the one who is, always was, and always will be.

7. God is Truth and Love. God created us out of love and always keeps his promises. God the Father gave us his only Son and sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always. There is no greater sign of love than this.

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