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The Story of Everything

(Genesis 1:1-26; John 1:1-14)

- The Bible is a divinely inspired, intricate work of literary art that tells different parts of one grand story leading us to Jesus.
- Genesis 1:1-2
- The word "God" is transliterated into English as Elohim.

The Trinity

- Genesis 1:26
- The word for God here, Elohim, is plural, but it doesn't mean Gods. The verb tenses and adjectives that go with "God" are all singular, referring to ONE someone.
- This God is a "we" that says "our" and yet is still one being.
- John 1:1
- John 1:2, 3 & 14
- John asserts that we must go to the beginning of the Story of Everything to understand Jesus.



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How can 3 be 1?

- The term Trinity is never used in the Bible, but it's a truth implicitly stated throughout God's Word.
- John 14:26
- God is the creator and ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The three are coequal and are one God.

"Jesus insisted that his return will be with such power that the very material world and universe will be purged of all decay and brokenness. All will be healed...." - Tim Keller, Reason for God.

"The aim of God in history is the creation of an inclusive community of loving persons, with Himself included as its primary sustainer and most glorious inhabitant." -The Divine Conspiracy

Encounter God ...in community and personally

- The practices of Encountering God are not about appeasing God or impressing God; they are pathways for us to enjoy God.
- I John 4:9-10