

# Growth Group Questions

Trinity Sunday, June 4, 2023

## Introduction

Holy Trinity Sunday marks the end of the Festival Half of the Church Year and the start of the non-festival half. According to interviews conducted by our 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders this year, the Trinity was the hardest thing for mature Christians to understand. Share with the group what you consider the most difficult thing to understand (or believe) in the Christian faith.

## Into the Word – Psalm 91:1-2, 9-12

1. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders chose verse two to be their graduation verse this year. Why is this an excellent verse for a young Christian to make their own? What different reasons would this be a great verse for an older believer?
2. What are some of the ways that believers “*make the Most High our dwelling*”?
3. It’s a familiar thought, but one worth repeating. If God promises no harm to overtake us and to command his angels concerning us, why do we still suffer and struggle? Share a memory of a challenging time that brought you blessing in the end.

## Into the Word – 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

4. This is the end of Paul’s second letter to a blessed, but divided, church in Corinth. What kind of spiritual maturity does he call for in verse 11?

5. Paul calls for unity and peace between believers. How do we work for that in our relationships?
6. Think of one person you don’t always agree with. Reach out to them this week with a friendly conversation or message.
7. This is an appointed reading for Trinity Sunday. Where do you see the Trinity in these verses?

## Into the Word – Matthew 28:16-20

8. Just before his ascension Jesus issues what we call the “Great Commission.” What does he tell his disciples to do (main verb of v. 19) and what tools does he give to do it (“ing” verbs of v. 19-20)?
9. These disciples on the mountain didn’t live to the “very end of the age.” How broad was the audience Jesus is speaking to here and how does that help us understand our place in this work?
10. In the face of doubt from some of the disciples Jesus offered purpose and promise. How do those two things help Christians today defend against doubt?

## Closing Prayer

Almighty God – Father, Son, and Spirit – comfort us to trust you for every blessing and quiet our selfish need to know more than what you give. Let it be enough for us to know you, to know your love, and to see the promises you give that bring us peace and purpose. To you be the glory. Amen.