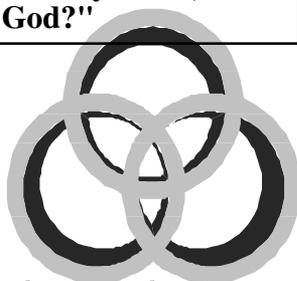


**Primary scripture:** Matthew 28:19-20

**Purpose:** We want to be \_\_\_\_\_  
 who know God's \_\_\_\_\_  
 and share it with \_\_\_\_\_



*1 Peter 3:15-16*

*But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. (NIV)*

## **I. SURVEY OF ISLAM**

### **A. Historical Development of Islam**

- The birth of Muhammad and the importance of Mecca  
 The \_\_\_\_\_ was a temple housing many idols.
- The visions of Muhammad and flight to Medina  
 Muhammad said he received visions from \_\_\_\_\_
- Muhammad's rise to power and return to Mecca  
 "Islam" means \_\_\_\_\_  
 A "muslim" is one who \_\_\_\_\_

### **B. Beliefs of Islam**

1. Only one true God and his name is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. A hierarchy of angels with \_\_\_\_\_ as the highest.
3. Muhammad is God's prophet to \_\_\_\_\_.
4. There are \_\_\_\_\_ holy books, but only the Quran is pure.
5. Allah will judge everyone according to their \_\_\_\_\_.  
 \_\_\_\_\_: the distinctive of biblical Christianity.

### **C. Practices of Islam**

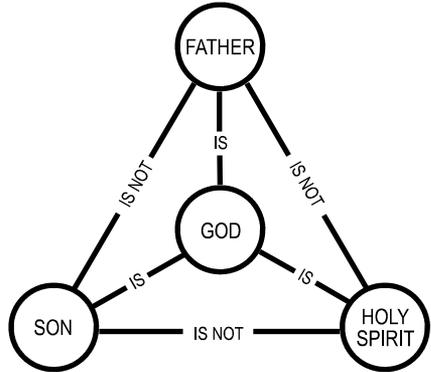
1. \_\_\_\_\_: "There is no God but Allah and Muhammad is his prophet."
2. Prayer: \_\_\_\_\_ times a day facing Mecca.
3. Give alms: \_\_\_\_\_ percent of your income.
4. Fasting: \_\_\_\_\_ during the month of Ramadan.
5. Pilgrimage: journey at least once to \_\_\_\_\_.

## II. THE DIVIDING ISSUE OF THE TRINITY

### What is the doctrine of the Trinity?

- Definition: \_\_\_\_\_ God who exists in a trinity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, each \_\_\_\_\_, yet fully and \_\_\_\_\_ God.

- Diagram:



- Illustrations:

## II. TRINITY IN THE SCRIPTURES

### A. Trinity in the OT

- God used \_\_\_\_\_ nouns and verbs to refer to himself.  
*Genesis 1:26, 3:22, 11:7, Isaiah 6:8*
- The “Angel of the Lord” appears to be pre-incarnate Jesus Christ.  
*Genesis 19:24, 32:30, Judges 13:22*
- The coming Son is referred to as God.  
*Isaiah 9:6, Micah 5:2*
- The three persons of the trinity are shown as \_\_\_\_\_  
*Isaiah 48:16, 61:1*

### B. Trinity in the NT

- The three persons of the trinity are shown as \_\_\_\_\_  
*Matthew 3:16-17*  
*John 3:16 “only begotten Son”*  
*“only begotten” = “\_\_\_\_\_”*
- Jesus is proclaimed to be God.  
*John 1:1*
- The Holy Spirit is shown to be God.  
*Luke 12:10-12*
- Disciples are to be baptized in the \_\_\_\_\_ name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.  
*Matthew 28:19-20*