

What is social trinitarianism?

Social Trinitarianism is a cult that rejects God's nature as revealed in scripture (2 Pe 2:1).

Jerry L Hayes said, "Social Trinitarianism is the belief that one god is a god nature that is not sentient. [He] doesn't have a mind [and] is not self-aware..."¹

The Bible teaches that God is triune (Ge 1:1–3, 26, Jn 14:26, 15:26).

Gerald Bray wrote:

...The Bible clearly teaches that there is only one God (Deut 6:4; Isa 42:8; Jas 2:19). The Bible just as clearly teaches that the Father is God, the Son is God, and the Spirit is God. Each of them do things only God can do and receive the worship due to God alone...

...The Bible also clearly teaches that the Father, Son, and Spirit are not identical with one another...The Father, Son, and Spirit are "persons" who interact with one another and with us in distinct ways. Because each person of the Trinity is fully God, they share the same purpose and activity, but the ways they think and act are distinctive to each...

...We believe that the Father sent his Son and Spirit to bring us to salvation. We believe that the Son, and not the Father or the Holy Spirit, became a man, suffered, died and rose again for our salvation, although not apart from the saving work of the Father and the Spirit. We believe the Holy Spirit dwells in our hearts by faith, but the Father and the Son participate in this presence in their own distinct ways. In our prayers, we usually pray to the Father, but we do so through the Son and in the Holy Spirit, so that our worship is directed to all three persons and not to one only.²

The child of God is a partaker of God's nature (2 Pe 1:4). The Father will make the believer like Jesus (1 Jn 3:2b–3).

¹ Hayes, Jerry L. "Social Trinitarianism, a Building Built on a Foundation of Misrepresentations." *YouTube*, 6 Feb. 2022 Feb. www.youtube.com/watch?v=xPb3L5mXEDE. Accessed 14 Sept. 2024.

² Bray, G. (2018). The Trinity. In M. Ward, J. Parks, B. Ellis, & T. Hains (Eds.), *Lexham Survey of Theology*. Lexham Press.