

JOHN 17:20-26 ESV



UNITY

²⁰ “I do not ask for these only, but also
for those who will believe in me
through their word,

John 17:20

²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

John 17:21

22 The glory that you have given me I
have given to them, that they may be
one even as we are one,

John 17:22

23 I in them and you in me, that they
may become perfectly one, so that
the world may know that you sent me
and loved them even as you loved me.

John 17:23

24 Father, I desire that they also,
whom you have given me, may be
with me where I am, to see my glory
that you have given me because you
loved me before the foundation of the
world.

John 17:24

25 O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me.

John 17:25

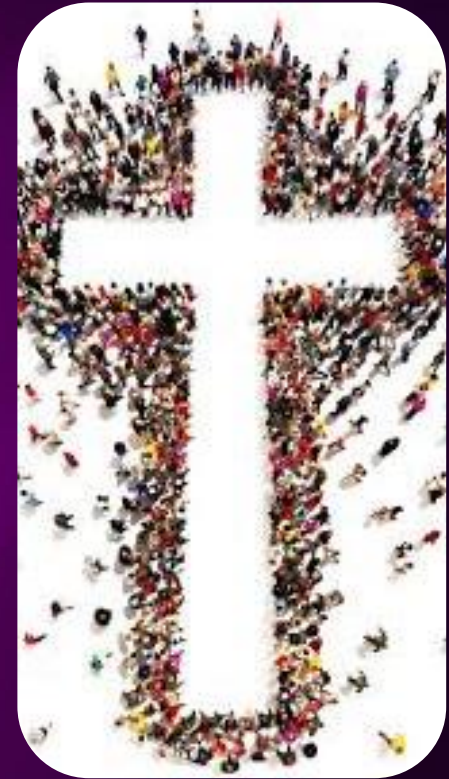
26 I made known to them your name,
and I will continue to make it known,
that the love with which you have
loved me may be in them, and I in
them.”

John 17:26

JOHN 17:20-26



WORLD'S UNITY

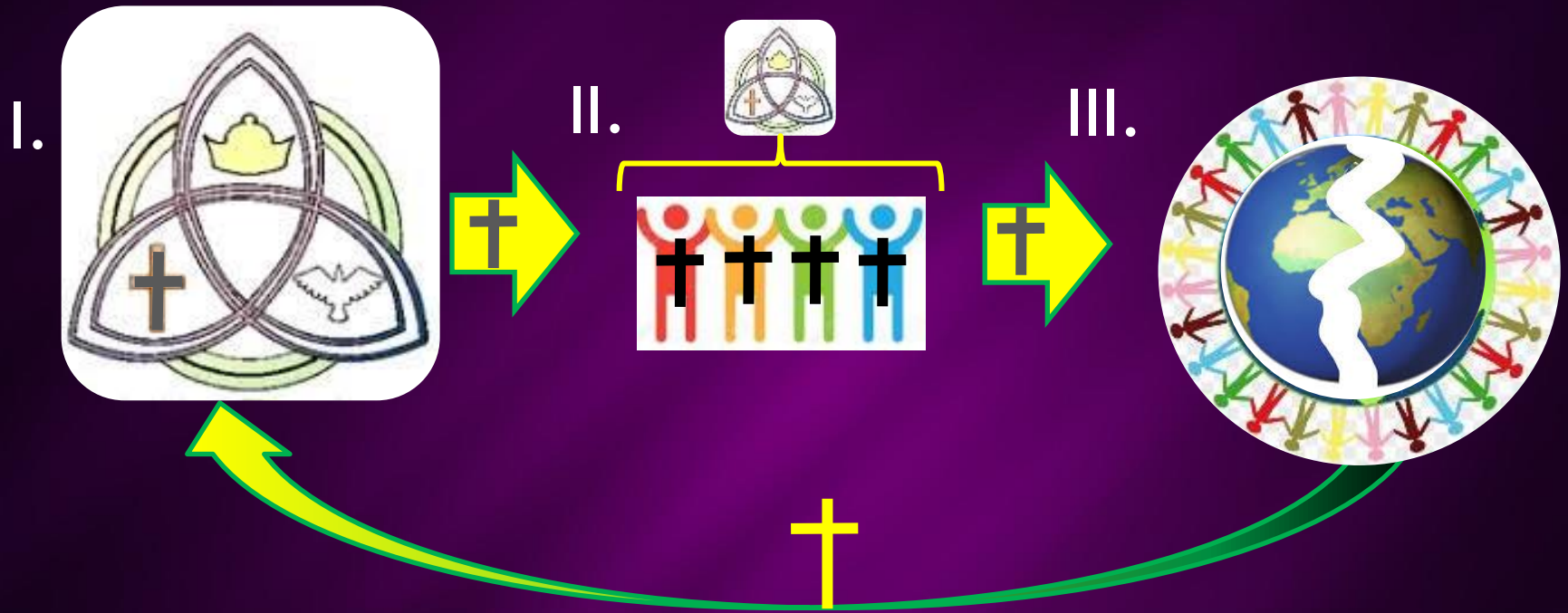


Christ: Our Common Ingredient

- I. Found & modeled in TRINITY (v21a)
- II. Requires: Presence of Christ (v20, 21b)
- III. Professes Jesus to the world (v21c)



CHRIST: OUR COMMON INGREDIENT



“That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” (v21)

I. TRINITY MODELS OUR UNITY (v21b, 23)



“That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us...”
(17:21b)

ONE GOD

- **1 Tim 2:5** For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,
- **Deut 6:4** “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.”
- **Gen 1:26a** “Let *us* make man in *our* image, after *our* likeness...”
- **Matt 28:19** Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the *name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*,

FATHER

- **1 Jn 1:5** God is light & in Him there is no darkness at all
- **James 1:17b** Father of lights...
- **Jn 4:24a** God is spirit...
- No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known. (**Jn 1:18; 1 Jn 4:12**)
- **Jn 14:9b,10** Whoever has seen me has seen the Father...do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in Me?

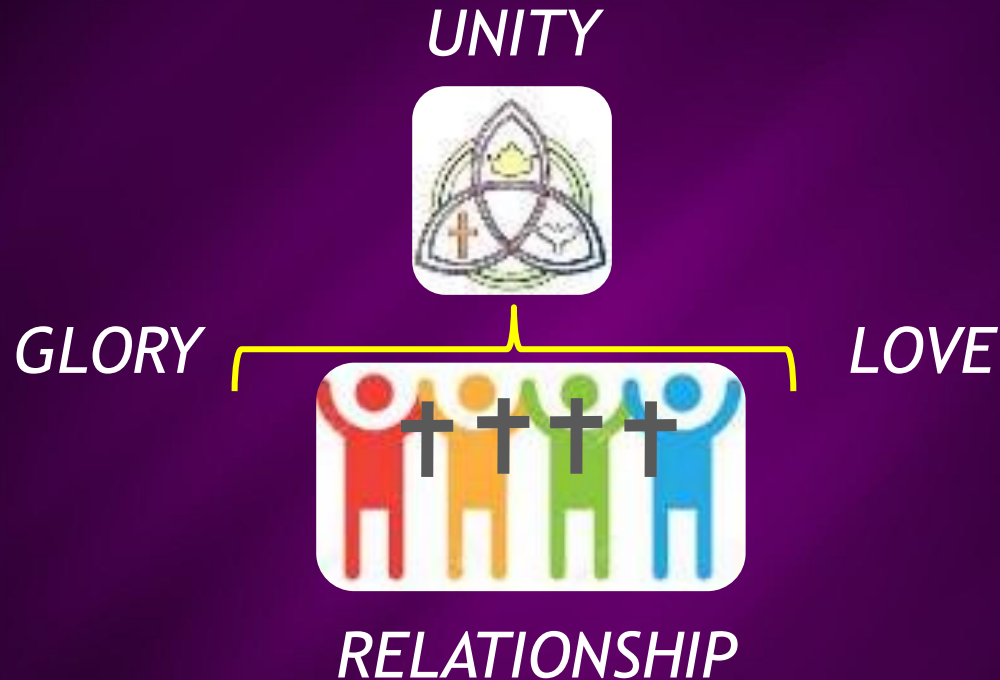
SON

- **John 8:12a** “I am the light of the world”
- **Colossians 1:18** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation
- **Hebrews 1:3a** He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.
- **John 10:30** “I and the Father are one”

HOLY SPIRIT

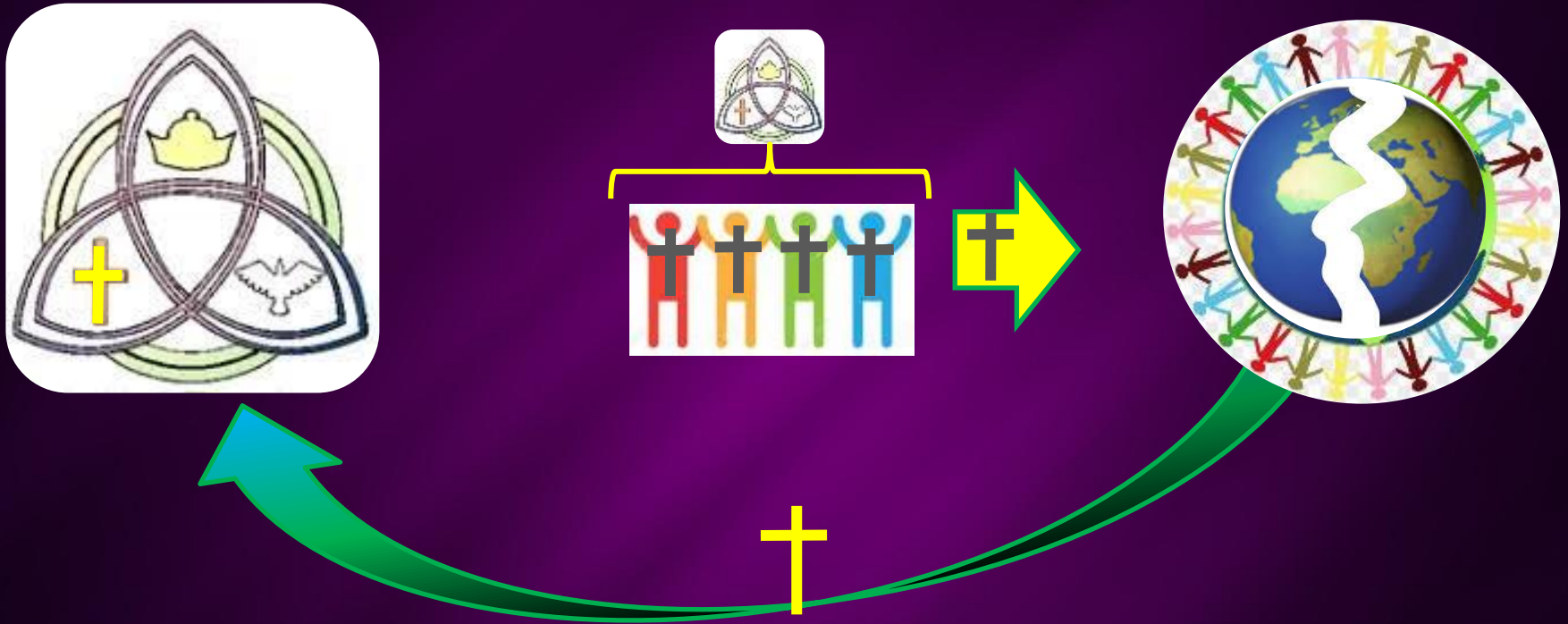
- **John 15:26** when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.
- **John 14:17** ...Spirit of truth...for he dwells with you & will be in you
- **John 14:23b** ...my Father will love him, & we will come to him & make our home with him.
- **Jn 14:26** the Holy Spirit... bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.
- Guides us into all truth (**John 16:13**)

II. REQUIRES: PRESENCE OF CHRIST (v21-23, 26c)



“That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us...”
(17:21a-b)

III. PROFESSES JESUS TO THE WORLD (v21c, 23-26)



“...so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” (John 17:21c)

BE UNITED IN CHRIST

- **Philippians 2:15** “Do all things without grumbling or disputing, that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.”
- **Matt. 5:16** In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works & give glory to your Father who is in heaven.
- **John 17:3** This is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, & Jesus Christ whom you have sent.