WHO IS GOD?

### WHAT WAS BEFORE THE BEGINNING?

1In the beginning God . . .

Genesis 1:1 (the first words in the Bible)

1Lord, 2from forever (in the past) to forever (in the future) you are God.

Psalm 90:1-2

Who was <u>before</u> the beginning?

How long has God lived in the past?

How long will God live in the future?

## WHAT DID GOD DO IN THE BEGINNING?

1In the beginning God made the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1

Do you think that the heavens and the earth got here by chance?

Did your house get here by chance? How about your cell phone?

# WHAT IS CREATOR GOD'S RELATIONSHIP TO US?

6lsn't God your Father? Isn't God your Creator? Didn't God make you?

Deuteronomy 32:6

27God is not far from us. 28We are God's children. We live and move and exist in God.

Acts 17:27-28

23Praise God – because God holds your life in his hand – God holds all your ways in his hand.

Daniel 5:23

What do you think?

What relationship does the Heavenly Father want with us? So, what should we say to the Father in heaven?

### **HOW BIG IS CREATOR GOD?**

18God, the heavens cannot hold you – the highest heavens cannot hold you!

2 Chronicles 6:18

### IS ANY GOD LIKE CREATOR GOD?

25God says, "Who is like me? Who is as great as I am? 26Look up at the sky! Who made all these stars and planets? Who calls each star by its name?"

Isaiah 40:25-26

24Lord, what god in heaven or on earth can do what you do? What god can do the powerful things you do?

Deuteronomy 3:24

10The Lord says: "There was no god before me. There will be no god after me. 11 I am the only Savior."

### CREATOR GOD IS 1-GOD-IN-3-PERSONS.

[Creator God is] 19the Father and...the Son and...the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19



Each Person is separate – they are not the same Person.

- 1. The Father: In the Bible, "God" usually means the Father.
- 2. The Son of God = Jesus Christ.
- 3. The Holy Spirit = God's Spirit / Christ's Spirit.

But the 3 Persons are 1 God:

4We know that...there is only one God.

1 Corinthians 8:4

So, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are united – they have the same character:

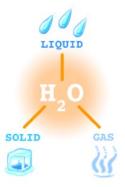
What is God's character?

8God is <u>love</u>. 1 John 4:8

19God is holy. Leviticus 19:2

God is love, and God is holy. Why do you think this is very important?

Do you think 1-God-in-3-Persons is possible? Or do you think it is impossible?



H<sub>2</sub>O is like this! It is 1-essence-in-3-forms. H<sub>2</sub>O is liquid, solid and gas.

who	誰
God	神様、天地創造の神
before	前、以前、の前
beginning	初め、始まり
first	第一、一番目、最初、まず、初めに、最初の
word	言葉
Bible	聖書
Lord	主、天地創造の神様
from	から
forever	永久に、永遠に
past	過去、昔
future	将来、未来
how long	どのくらい (の長さ・の時間)
live	生きる、住む
make - made - made	造る、作る
heavens	大空
earth	地、地球
think - thought - thought	思う、考える
get here - got here - gotten here	に着く、ここにいる
by	によって
chance	偶然
cell phone	携帯電話
Creator God	創造者、創造主、天地創造の神様
relationship	関係、(人間)関係
isn't?	~ではありませんか
didn't?	~したのではないか?
far	遠く
move	動く、動かす、感動する、移動する、引っ越す
exist	存在する
praise	ほめたたえる、賛美する、褒める、たたえる

because	~のため、~のせい、なぜなら
hold - held - held	持つ
life (1 life / 2 lives)	命、人生
hand	手
all	すべて
ways	道、生き方、仕方
Heavenly Father	天の父、父なる神様
should	するべき、起こるべき
high / higher / highest	高い、より高い、最も高い
any	ほんの少しでも、何も、誰も、どれでも、な んでも、どれも
like	のように、に似てる、似る
as great as	それほどの偉大さ
look	見なさい、(わざと) 見る
sky	空
star	星
planet	惑星
call	呼ぶ、呼びかける
each	めいめい、それぞれ
gods	神々
powerful	力ある、力強い
after	の後、ののち
only	だけ、のみ、ただ、ひとりの、ただ一人の、 ただ一つの
Savior	救い主、救ってくださる人
anyone	誰でも、誰か、一人でも
person	人格のある者
Holy Spirit	聖霊、神様の霊、キリストの霊
separate	別、別々
same	同じ

usually	普段、ほとんど
mean - meant - meant	意味する
united	結ばれる、一致する
character	性格、人格、善悪を判断する力、道徳を守る か守らないこと
love	愛する、愛
holy	清い、聖なる
why	なぜ、どうして
very	非常に
important	大切、重要な、大事な、重大、優れる、えらい (人)
possible	可能
impossible	不可能な、果たせない
essence	本質
form	形
liquid	液体
solid	固体
gas	気体