#### JOHN 10:22-26

22 Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, 23 and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. 24 The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

25 Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, 26 but you do not believe because you are not my sheep.



#### JOHN 10:27-30

27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. 30 I and the Father are one."



## John 10:14-1<u>5</u>

I am the good shepherd,
I know my sheep and my sheep know me just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father
- and I lay down my life for the sheep.



## Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 5 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.



## Michael Reeves

'God is a mystery in that who he is and what he is like are secrets, things we would never have worked out by ourselves. But this triune God has revealed himself to us.'



#### The (original) Nicene Creed of 325

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the onlybegotten,

begotten of the Father before all ages.

Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten not made, of one essence with the Father by whom all things were made;

(see Hebrews 1:3 and Colossians 1:19)



#### The (original) Nicene Creed of 325

who for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man.

And He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered, and was buried.

And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead;

whose Kingdom shall have no end. And in the Holy Spirit.



#### The Niceno-Constantinopolitan Statement of 381

And [we believe] in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;





The Lord looked and was displeased that there was no justice.

16 He saw that there was no one, he was appalled that there was no one to intervene; so his own arm achieved salvation for him, and his own righteousness sustained him.



Communion with one person does not exclude the others.

John Owen Communion with God (1657)



'Owen walks a fine line that balances the oneness and the threeness, emphasizing our communion "with each person distinctly" while at the same time insisting that to commune with each person is to commune with the one God.'

**Kevin Vanhoozer** 



### John 14

v8 'Show us the Father.'

v9 'Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.'

v11 'Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me.'

v16-17 'I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—the Spirit of truth.'

"No sooner do I conceive of the one than I am illumined by the splendour of the three; no sooner do I distinguish them than I am carried back to the one. When I think of any one of the three I think of him as the whole, and my eyes are filled, and the greater part of what I am thinking escapes me. I cannot grasp the greatness of that one so as to attribute a greater greatness to the rest. When I contemplate the three together, I see but one torch, and cannot divide or measure out the undivided light."

**Gregory of Nazianzus** 

- Personal devotion
- Corporate worship
- Building the kingdom