First Baptist Church – Odessa

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"Getting to Know the Forgotten God"

"Deeper – Discovering Your Potential Through the Power of the Holy Spirit" – Pt. 2

Isaiah 55:8-9 & Selected

Back to the Basics as We Get to Know the Holy Spirit

I. God is infinite and beyond my capabilities to ____

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts." Isaiah 55:8-9

See Jeremiah 9:23-24

II. God must ______ Himself in a way that I can understand Him if I am to know Him.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word as with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him was not any thing made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men." John 1:1-4

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

"No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, He has made Him known." John 1:18 "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters." Genesis 1:1-2

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Genesis 1:26

The Holy Trinity is NOT...

- _____ different gods.
- One God with two subordinate ______.
- Three different slices of the same Divine ______.
- Three different _____ of God at three different times.

IV. I can come to know God only through the _____! "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Corinthians 13:14

The "Forgotten God" is Absolutely Essential...

- If I am to understand our _____ God. See 1 Corinthians 2:14
- If I am to have my _____ answered. See Romans 8:26-27
- If I am to have my _____ forgiven. See 1 John 1:8 – 2:2 and Hebrews 9:14
- If I am to _____ my Lord in a meaningful way. See John 4:24
- If I am to receive ______. "Jesus answered, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of God.'" John 3:5