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"one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all." Ephesians 4:6

## <u>I. One God (theos)</u>

- A. "Theism" = The God (capital) vs. A-theist and A-gnostic (87% theist)
- B. Courageous and clear monotheism (Isa. 44:6; John 17:3; I Cor. 8:4-6)
- C. Physical aspects = Eternal Creator, Self-sustained Sustainer, Sovereign Power
- D. Important! God of the Bible and of Jesus (Heb. 1:1-3)

## II. One Father (pater) of All Believers

- A. "All" = Those who are part of the ONE BODY = believers (Eph. 4:1)
- B. Compassionate and consistent worldview (Isa. 6:16; John 4:23; Mal. 2:10)
- C. Familial aspects = Head, author, leader, disciplinarian, example, and lineage
- D. We are connected together as children of God (John 1:12,13; Rom. 8:15,16; Gal. 4:6)
- E. Important! Father as Jesus taught us! (Matt. 6:9 13; John 10:30, 5:18, 14:9; Lk.23:34,46)

## III. Trinity of Oneness

- A. Three statements (trinity) to clarify the scope of the word "all"
  - 1. "over all" authority who is in control?
  - 2. "through all" ability who gets the glory?
  - 3. "in all" accessibility who is affected?
- B. Our oneness together is a product of HIS divine purpose
- C. Let's review