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I. The Nature of the Trinity

A. The one true God consists of three distinct entities
(persons)

1. All three are equally God
2. Each of the three is distinct
3. In carrying out the purpose of God each person has a different role

B. Spirit of God

1. He is the active agent of God on the earth
2. God as we experience Him

II. The Abundant Life can be Described from the Perspective of the Spirit's Role

A. Walking in the Spirit – Galatians 5:16

B. Filled with the Spirit – Ephesians 5:18

C. Rivers of living water – John 7:38

III. To Help Understand How this Works Out, Consider How We Came to Christ

- A. **Role** of the Spirit of God – To make salvation real in people’s experience

- B. **Passion** of the Spirit of God – To glorify Christ – John 16:14

- C. **Plan** of the Spirit of God
 - 1. To testify to the facts of the Gospel – John 15:26-27
 - a. He supports our testimony

 - 2. He causes understanding – John 16:13

 - 3. He graciously pressures us to truth by exposing our need – John 16:8-11
 - a. Resisting the Spirit – Acts 7:51

 - b. Suppressing the truth – Romans 1:18

 - c. Blaspheming the Spirit – Mark 3:29

 - 4. **Goal** of the Spirit of God
 - a. Bring to faith in Christ

 - b. Bring new life in Christ