Message on this line in the Charlottetown Bible Chapel's Statement of Faith: "We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit."

—-> All speaking about God is to be done in awe and worship of Him.

Isaiah 57:15; Hebrews 11:6

1. God exists vs Atheism

Genesis 1:1-2; Psalm 19:1-4.

Three reasons against atheism:

- Design in nature demands an intelligent Designer.
- Morality requires a moral Lawgiver.
- Atheism is not livable, because it means life has no ultimate meaning.

Three kinds of atheists:

- Due to circumstance (Gentiles "having no hope and without God", Ephesians 2:12)
- Due to indifference ("God is in none of his thoughts", Psalm 10:4)
- Due to choice ("The fool has said in his heart, There is no God." Psalm 14:1)

2. God is personal vs. Pantheism and Deism

Genesis 1:3 God said... Genesis 1:28 God blessed... Genesis 1:31 God saw... Genesis 6:6 The Lord grieved

Isaiah 63:9 God has personal attributes (He's holy, loving, righteous, gracious, etc.)

Three primary Names of God in the Old Testament

Elohim - Genesis 1:1 - Strong faithful covenant-keeping God Yahweh - Genesis 2:4 - Holy righteous self-existent God Adonai - Genesis 15:2 - Lord, Master, Sovereign God.

3. God is the only God vs. Polytheism

Isaiah 43:11, 44:6,8; 45:5-6, 18, 21b-23; Hebrews 4:13 God is not a local deity. He is God over all, is omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent.

4. God is One in Three persons vs. Beliefs of Muslims, Jews, Watchtower Society

God is relational in His Being. God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit have an eternal relationship of love, light and purity.

Matthew 28:19; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Matthew 3:16; John 15:26; Acts 5:3-4; Compare Isaiah 6:1-3, 9-10 with John 12:39-41 and Acts 28:25-27.

Genesis 1:1 "God (plural) created (singular) Genesis 1:26; 3:22 "Let Us…" Deuteronomy 6:4 "Hear O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one" "One" is *echad* (Hebrew), which is unity, not *yachid* (Hebrew), absolute one. Compare Genesis 2:24, "they shall become one (echad) flesh."

5. God is Father

He is the Father of the Lord Jesus Christ (Ephesians 3:14; Matthew 11:25; John 1:14, 18) Father in reference to God - mentioned 122 times in John. He is the Father of all believers (John 20:17; John 14:6)

—-> God wants to be our Father through the Lord Jesus. "Abba Father" Mark 14:36; Romans 8:15; Galatians 4:6

—-> Human fatherhood is to take example of God the Father.

Our children's view of God is largely formed by what they see of their human fathers.