

## ***RCIA***

### ***Session One: Who is God?***

1. If someone asked you “Who is God?” what would you say?
2. A Review of the Basics
  - a. Atheism – there is NO God
  - b. Agnosticism – we can’t be sure
  - c. Polytheism – there are many gods (Greeks, Romans, Celts, Hindus)
  - d. Monotheism – there is one God (Jews, Muslims and Christians)
  - e. Deism – God creates but leaves us alone after that
3. The Judeo-Christian Understanding of God
  - a. God is Eternal – always was, always will be
  - b. God is One – One God, Three Person (The Trinity)
  - c. God is Personal – God (who is neither male nor female, beyond race and Creed) desires a relationship with Humanity and so REVEALS Himself through time
  - d. God is Loving & Merciful – God’s plan is to allow us to live in His love (here and forever in heaven); when we violate that Love, God is willing to forgive
  - e. God is Providential – God cares for His people and allows us to be stewards of Creation (we are not just left on our own)
  - f. God is Free, Creates us in Freedom & in Humility allows us to exercise our Freedom (God is not a “puppet master”)
4. Sharing of Thoughts, Comments & Questions