

Foundations of Faith

Who is God?

SEEKING TO BE

God calls us to a journey of transformation. We come as we are – and anyone can join us – but thankfully our Creator loves us too much to leave us as we are! God's words (the Bible) set the course and He can be trusted to lead us right.

a COMMUNITY where

We are a diverse group of people but, like many other churches in Cambridge and countless others worldwide, with a shared identity of faith in God through Jesus Christ. Our local church is simply learning to 'do life' together like a family.

PASSIONATELY FOLLOWING

God has given us a purpose for living and we want to pursue it with all our heart, strength, and mind

JESUS

We are focused on Jesus.

We have examined the evidence - His teaching, actions, claims, integrity, death, and resurrection as described in the Bible - and we are convinced that He is true. He really is "God with us"!

We know him as "Saviour", believing that His life, death, resurrection and return is the only hope for the world. We have also been personally rescued by Him ... finding forgiveness, a restored relationship with God, a new way to live, and confidence that even death won't separate us from God.

We know him as "Lord". We trust Him to take charge of our lives and change us, and He promises to be with us always!

is CONTAGIOUS

We want others – locally and globally – to see Jesus in us and through us ... so that everyone will want to know Him better.

We believe in one God, eternally existing in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; Ephesians 4:4-6; Hebrews 9:14)

THE TRIUNE GOD: We believe in the one living and true God, eternally existing in perfect unity as three equally and fully divine Persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Each member of the Godhead, while executing distinct but complementary roles in redemptive history, has precisely the same nature, attributes, and being, and is equally worthy of the same glory and honor and obedience (John 17:3; Matthew 28:19-20; John 1:1-4; Acts 5:3-4).

We believe in one true and living God; that He is the Creator of all; that He is infinitely holy, loving, compassionate, just, sovereign, eternal and perfect in all His attributes. He possesses Omniscience (all knowledge), Omnipotence (all power) and Omnipresence (everywhere present); and exists in three equal Persons - God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

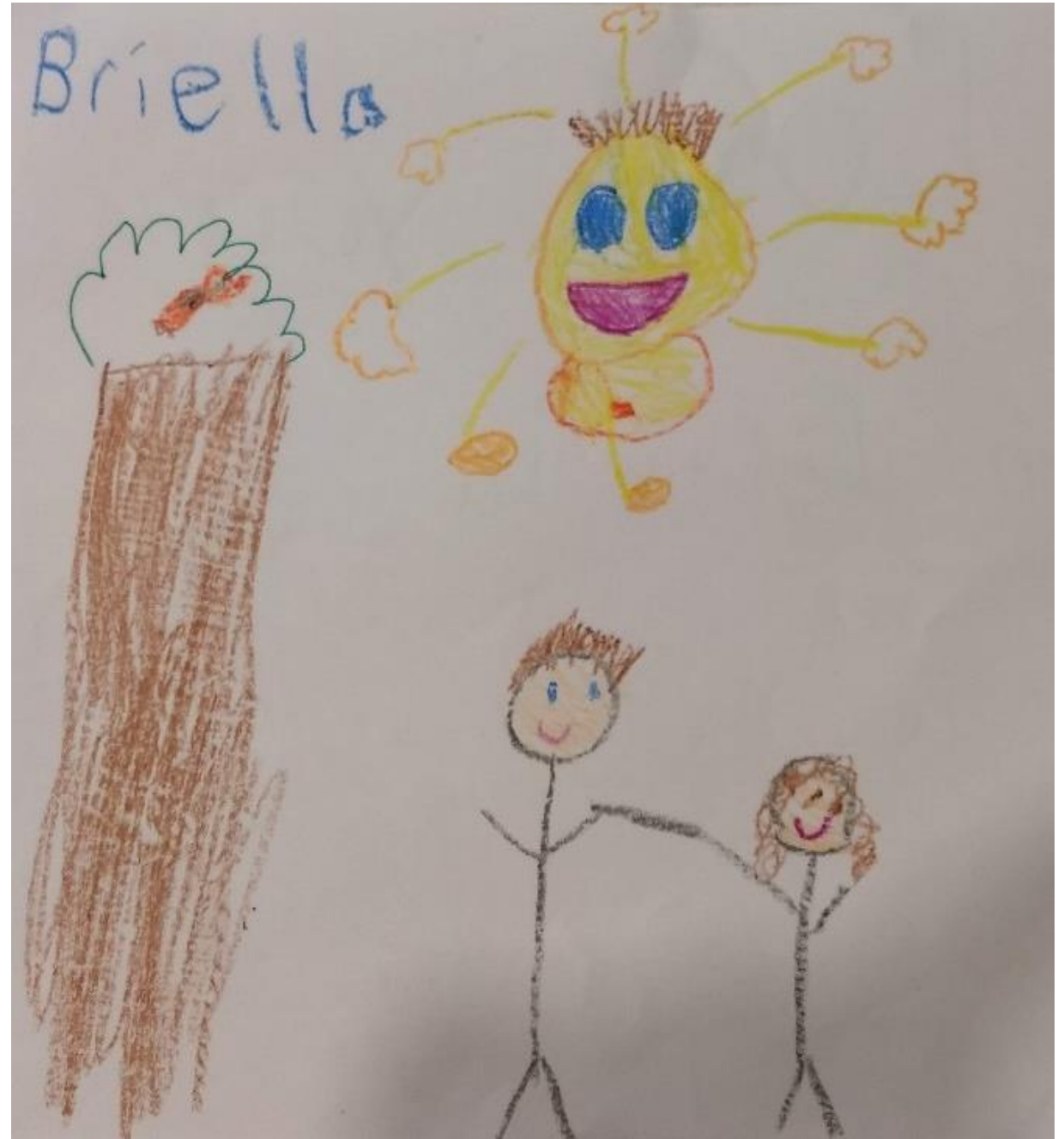


But Jesus shouted out, “The one who believes in me does not believe in me, but in the one who sent me, and the one who sees me sees the one who sent me. (Jn 12:44-45,NET)



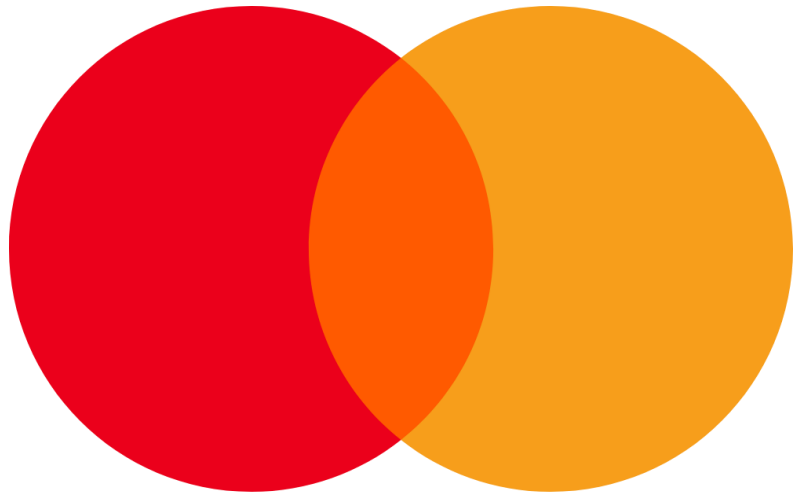
KEY #1: God intends that we know him
through Jesus

At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and intelligent, and have revealed them to little children. (Matt 11:25-26,NET)



KEY #2: Truth about God is accessible to children, with inherent simplicity and requiring humility to receive

Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that “We all possess knowledge.” But knowledge puffs up while love builds up. Those who think they know something do not yet know as they ought to know. But whoever loves God is known by God. (1 Cor 8:1-3,NIV)



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KEY #3: Knowing God is relational

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of
knowledge (Prov 1:7,ESV)

You are the God who sees me!



KEY #4: Knowing God starts with the fear of God, a keen awareness of his awesome reality, and that changes us

⁹ ‘Listen, Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one.’ (Mk 12:29,NET)

³² But as for that day or hour no one knows it—neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son —except the Father. (Mk 13:32,NET)

⁴⁹ I honor my Father ... ⁵⁰ I am not trying to get praise for myself. (Jn 8:49-51,NET)

⁵ And now, Father, glorify me at your side with the glory I had with you before the world was created. (Jn 17:5,NET)

³⁰ The Father and I are one. ... ³⁸ I am in the Father and the Father is in me. (Jn 10:30,38,NET)

¹⁴ He [the Spirit of truth] will glorify me, because he will receive from me what is mine and will tell it to you. (Jn 16:14,NET)

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