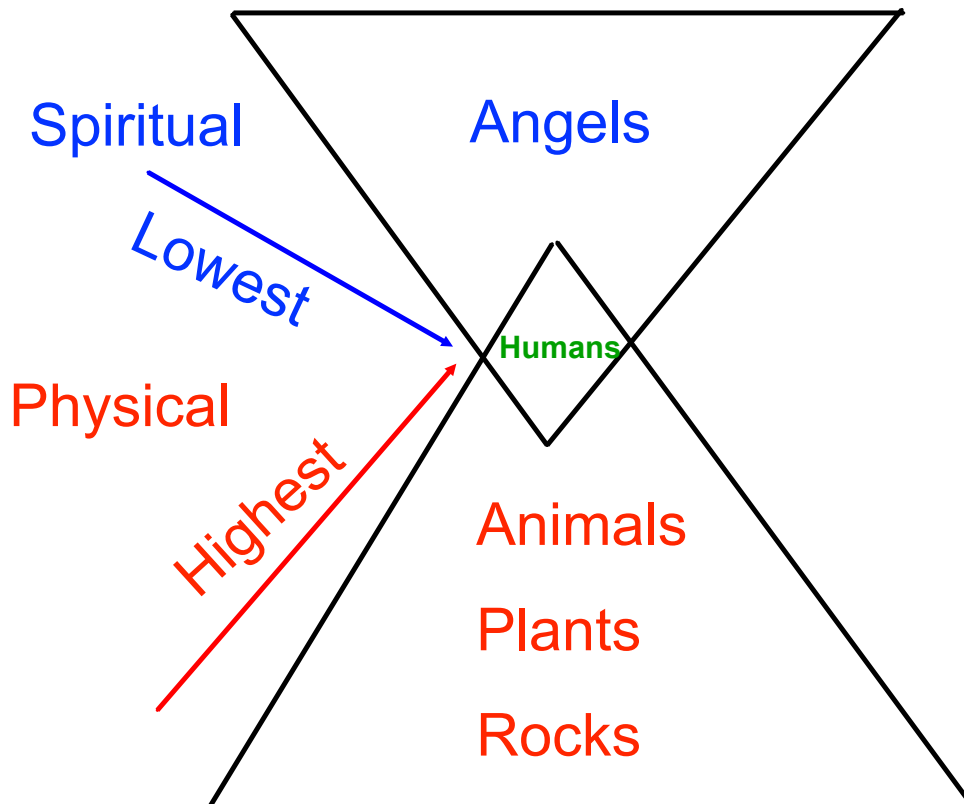


**Review: What are the unique traits of the human souls?**

## The Heirarchy of Creation



- 1) You are dust.
- 2) Christ became incarnate!

**Attributes:** properties or traits (what is it?)

↳ **Ice Cream** = cold, comes in many flavors, food, melts, sweet, soft.



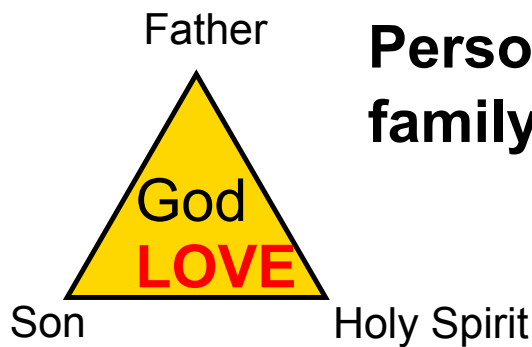
**Attributes of God:** What is God's nature?

All powerful  
Ever present  
All knowing

One  
Supernatural  
Beautiful

Love  
Truth  
Eternal

## WHO IS GOD?



**Personal: An eternal family of persons**



The Trinity

Read 15 & 16

- the central mystery of our faith
- Revealed when the Son of God became human and revealed it to us.

Apostles' Creed

Nicene Creed

Father

Father

Son

Son **Who God is**

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit

1) God is one. We believe in one God, a unity of Persons.

2) God is three divine Persons, not parts

- First Person is God the Father
- Second Person is God the Son
- Third Person is God the Holy Spirit



**God is NOT 1+1+1=3**

**God IS 1X1X1=1**

3) The three Persons are equal and possess the divine attributes equally. They are one in being.



Fire  
Light = flame  
Heat

4) All three Persons are co-eternal.

"God from God, light from light". Eternal begets Eternal.

5) The three Persons are distinct.



6) We ascribe different roles for the three Persons:

- Father - Creator
- Son- Redeemer
- Holy Spirit- Sanctifier



but all share equally in the Divine actions.

