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Words to know:

procession (*one thing proceeding, or coming forth from, another*), derivation (*when one thing or person derives from, or originates from, another*), spirated (*breathed forth*)

The Trinity is the mystery of God's inner _____, and we only come to know about it by way of divine _____.

PROCESSIONS IN THE TRINITY:

The Son proceeds from the _____ and the Spirit proceeds from the Father and the _____.

The Son: "In the beginning was the _____, and the Word was _____ God, and the Word _____ God. He was in the beginning with God." John 1:1-2

Word = Logos: _____ or rationality, intellectual or spiritual _____

In the beginning... there's the Father and His _____ (His rationality, His wisdom) which proceeds from Him.

The Holy Spirit: If the Son of God is the eternal word and LOGOS from the Father, then the Spirit can be thought of as the Divine _____ who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

God first _____ Himself eternally and knowing Himself, He begets His eternal Word.

And then God _____ Himself and His Word and the Spirit is the _____ that spirates forth from the Father and the Son.

RELATIONS IN THE TRINITY:

- The **Father** is related to the Son as the one who _____ the Son eternally as His Word.
- The **Son** is related to the Father as the one _____ from the Father eternally.
- The **Spirit** originates eternally from the Father and the Son as their spirated _____, and so He is eternally related to them.

PERSONS IN THE TRINITY:

- The **Father** is the Person who is the _____ of Trinitarian life, who eternally generates the Son and spirates the Holy Spirit. He communicates the whole _____ of God, the _____ of God to the Son and to the Spirit so that they possess all that the Father has.

- The **Son** is He who is eternally _____ by the Father, who proceeds from Him and is related to Him, and who, with the Father, spirates the Spirit.
- The **Spirit** is the Person who is spirated _____, subsistent love spirated forth from the Father and the Son.

GENERATION:

- NOT physical generation.
- The Divine Father communicates to the Divine Son the divine _____, which is wholly _____.

ONE IN BEING:

The Father and the Son and the Spirit are one in _____ and essence.

Homoousios (Consubstantial): All that is in the Father as God in virtue of the divine _____ is _____ or communicated to the Son, who possesses all that is in the Father.

Each of them is the _____ God, so we can say of the Son that he is God from God; we can say this also of the _____.

Christ is the uncreated _____ of the Father, the eternal Son of God. He is the _____ of the Father who has become human for our sake.

The Holy Spirit is the eternally spirated _____ of the Father and the Son who has been sent into the world to sanctify the Church and to enable us to be _____ to God.

Comprehension questions:

1. Why is it important to think conceptually about the Trinity in addition to praying to the Persons of the Trinity? How can this help our relationship with God?
2. Draw a simple diagram of the Trinity based on the processions and relations of each Person of the Trinity.