

The Apostles Creed

Week 1: We Believe in God the Father Almighty

September 13, 2020

Pastor Ben Bufkin



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- Trinitarian
- All-powerful yet personal God
- God our creator
- The deity of Christ
- The incarnation
- The suffering and sacrifice of Christ
- The resurrection of Christ from the dead
- The Work of the Holy Spirit
- The Holy universal church
- The communion of Believers
- The forgiveness of sins
- The coming judgement of Christ
- The resurrection and life everlasting

I believe in God the Father almighty;
and in Christ Jesus His only Son, our Lord,
Who was born from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
Who under Pontius Pilate was crucified and buried,
on the third day rose again from the dead,
ascended into heaven,
sits at the right hand of the Father,
whence He will come to judge the living and the dead;
and in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Church,
the remission of sins,
the resurrection of the flesh,
the life everlasting.

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1. Our God is greater than every idol made by man

Romans 1:23,25, Acts 17:16, Acts 17:22-25a, Job 38:1-7 NLT, Job 38:1-7, 16-21 NLT, Psalm 90:2, Isaiah 44:6, Psalm 115:3, Isaiah 6:1-5, 1 Samuel 5:2-4

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The late R.C. Sproul says about the holiness of God:

“God’s kingdom will never come where His name is not hallowed. His will is not done on earth as it is in heaven if His name is desecrated there. In heaven, the name of God is holy. It is breathed by angels in a sacred hush. Heaven is a place where reverence for God is total. It is foolish to look for the kingdom anywhere God is not revered.”

2. Our God is near to all who call on Him in truth

Matthew 6:9, Exodus 20:18-19, Matthew 7:9-11, Psalm 145:18, 2 Corinthians 6:16-18

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“We are not to regard Him as some sort of distant authority figure who doesn’t listen to us, who is never around, who is too busy for us. Rather, we can always, at any time, day or night, cry out to the Creator and Sustainer of the universe, the sovereign, triune, and almighty God, humbly and confidently praying, “Our Father.”

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