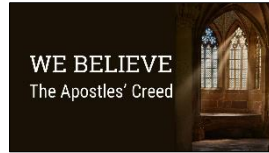


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The Apostles' Creed

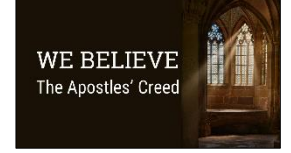
We believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Suggested Questions for Individual
Study or Group Discussion*



- If you could change one part of your body, what would it be? How would you change it? Why?
- Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-57. How would you summarize Paul's argument and teaching?
- What does the analogy of the seeds teach us about resurrected human bodies? What does Paul's contrast between Adam and Christ teach us?
- Read aloud a version of the Apostles' Creed. How are "the resurrection of the body" and "the life everlasting" similar and yet distinct? Why are both affirmations important?
- What can we learn about the nature of resurrected bodies from Jesus and his resurrection? How will a person's body after resurrection be similar and yet different from his or her body now?
- In what ways will "the life everlasting" be different from life now? What examples from Scripture support or illustrate this?
- If asked to explain the Christian view of the afterlife, what would you say?
- How does or should our understanding of the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting affect your daily life? What changes might you make to more fully embrace this truth?
- Reflecting back on our study of the Apostles' Creed, what affirmation does our congregation most need to embrace and live out? What steps can you and/or your small group take to make that happen?

*Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.