

Day 133 (Wednesday, July 29)

This is for all those who do not believe the CREED is scriptural. Followed by a story the reminds us that God is everywhere.

The Nicene Creed in Scripture

"I believe in One God, (Deuteronomy 6:4; St. Mark 12:29, 12:32; Ephesians 4:6; 1 Corinthians 8:6)

The Father Almighty (Genesis 17:1-8; Exodus 6:3; St. Matthew 6:9; Ephesians 4:6; 2 Corinthians 6:18)

Maker of heaven and earth (Genesis 1:1; Job 38:1-30)

And of all things visible and invisible (Colossians 1:15-16; St. John 1:3; Hebrews 11:3; Revelation 4:11)

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ (St. John 20:28; Acts 11:17, 16:31; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Ephesians 4:5)

The Son of God, the Only-Begotten (St. Matthew 3:17, 14:33, 16:16; St. John 1:14, 3:16)

Begotten of the Father before all ages (Psalm 2:7; St. John 1:1-2)

Light of Light (St. John 1:4, 1:9, 8:12; Psalm 27:1; St. Matthew 17:2, 5; 2 Corinthians 4:6; Hebrews 1:3; 1 John 1:5)

True God of True God (St. John 1:1-2, 17:1-5; 1 John 5:20)

Begotten, not made (St. John 1:1-2, 16:28, 1:18)

Of one essence with the Father (St. John 10:30)

By Whom all things were made (Hebrews 1:1-2, 10; St. John 1:3, 1:10; Colossians 1:16; 1 Corinthians 8:6; Ephesians 11:36)

Who for us men and for our salvation (1 Timothy 2:4-5; St. Matthew 1:2; 1 Thessalonians 5:9; Colossians 1:13-14)

Came down from heaven (St. John 3:13, 3:31, 6:33-35, 38)

And was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary (St. Luke 1:34-39)

And became man (St. John 1:14; Hebrews 2:14)

And He was crucified for us (St. Mark 15:25; 1 Corinthians 15:3; 1 Peter 2:24)

under Pontius Pilate (St. Mark 15:15)

And suffered (St. Mark 8:31; St. Matthew 27:50)

And was buried (St. Luke 23:53; 1 Corinthians 15:4; St. Matthew 27:59-60)

And He rose again on the third day (St. Mark 9:31, 16:9; Acts 10:40; 1 Corinthians 15:4)

According to the Scriptures (St. Luke 24:1, 45-46; 1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

And ascended into heaven (St. Luke 24:51; Acts 1:9-10; St. Mark 16:19)

And sits at the right hand of the Father (St. Mark 16:19; Acts 7:55; St. Luke 22:69)

And He will come again with glory (St. Matthew 24:27; St. Mark 13:26; St. John 14:3; 1 Thessalonians 4:17)

To judge the living and the dead (Acts 10:42; 2 Timothy 4:1; St. Matthew 16:27; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 1 Peter 4:5)

His Kingdom shall have no end (2 Peter 1:1; Hebrews 1:8)

And I believe in the Holy Spirit (St. John 14:26; Acts 1:8)

The Lord and Giver of Life (Acts 5:3-4; Genesis 1:2; St. John 6:63; 2 Corinthians 3:6)

Who proceeds from the Father (John 15:26)

Who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified (St. Matthew 3:16-17)

Who spoke through the prophets (1 Samuel 19:20; Ezekiel 11:5; 1 Peter 1:10-11; Ephesians 3:5)

And I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church (St. Matthew 16:18, 28:19; 1 Peter 25:9; Ephesians 1:4, 2:19-22, 4:4, 5:27; Acts 1:8, 2:42; St. Mark 16:15; Romans 12:4-5; 1 Corinthians 10:17)

I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins (Ephesians 4:5; Galatians 3:27; 1 Corinthians 12:13; Colossians 2:12-13; Acts 22:16)

I look for the resurrection of the dead (St. John 11:24; 1 Corinthians 15:12-49; Romans 6:4-5; 1 Thessalonians 4:16)

And the life of the world to come. (St. Mark 10:29-30; 2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 21:1)
Amen. (Psalm 106:48)

THE LITTLE EISH

“Excuse me,” said an ocean fish, “You are older than I so can you tell me where to find this thing they call the Ocean?”

“The Ocean,” said the older fish, “is the thing you are in now,”

“Oh, this? But this is water. What I’m seeking is the Ocean,” said the disappointed fish as he swam away to search elsewhere.

He came to the Master and he spoke Master’s language: “For years I have been seeking God. I have sought Him everywhere that He is said to be: on mountain peaks, the vastness of the desert, and the silence of the cloister and the dwellings of the poor.”

“Have you found him?” the Master asked.

“No. I have not. Have you?”

What could the Master say? The evening sun was sending shafts of golden light into the room. Hundreds of sparrows were twittering on a banyan tree. In the distance one could hear the sound of highway traffic. A mosquito droned a warning that it was going to strike... And yet this man could sit there and say he had not found Him.

After a while he left, disappointed, to search elsewhere.

Stop searching, little fish. There isn’t anything to look for. All you have to do is look.

In the light of eternity, we’re here for a very short time, really. We’re here for one thing, ultimately: to learn how to love, because God is love. - James Finley

Sincerely,
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