

# Journal Pages

## Session #2 – Scripture and The Creed

### ***Greatest Christians (Past and Present)***

Who do you think are some of the greatest Christians alive today or from the past? People can span from the time of Jesus to the present. Examples: great pastors, prophets, theologians, saints... For example: Billy Graham, the four women martyred in El Salvador 40 years ago...

Who is your Favorite **Saint** and why?

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Who is your Favorite **Christian Hero**, what does he or she mean to you?

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Who is your Favorite **Bible Character**?

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Do you read the Bible? How often and When?

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Who is the most **influential person** in your life's Faith journey?

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Where and how does your families preserve their memories?

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What do you know about these people and where did you learn their story?  
*(Share and discuss before resuming video.)*



### Opening Prayer ***My Words Will Not Pass Away***

**Scripture Reading:** *Matthew 24: 32-35*

"Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near.

In the same way, when you see all these things, know that he is near, at the gates.

Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place.

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

**Reflection:** *e-mail from God; The Bible is not a Fad*, by Cloninger

#### **Closing Prayer:**

**Leader:** Glory to the Creator,

**All:** who makes the Story,

**Leader:** Glory to the Son,

**All:** who tells the Story,

**Leader:** Glory to the Spirit,

**All:** who inspires the Story.

**Leader:** Glory to God, Three in One, and One in Three,

**All:** Together may we share Love's blessing forever. Amen.

## Scripture Reflection

What do you believe about Scripture? Name 3 beliefs

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When you hear or read scripture, what kind of messages do you find for yourself?

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How is it possible that the message of scripture can be new each time you read it, even when you've heard the passage before?

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What is your favorite Gospel story?

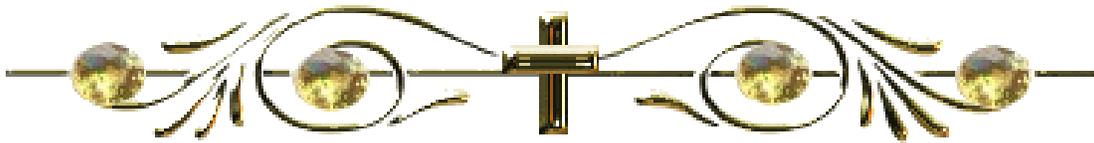
What do you learn from this story?

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I Believe

**Directions:** Write at least one thing that you believe about God, Jesus, Holy Spirit, and Church

*I believe in God.*

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*I believe in Jesus.*

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*I believe in the Holy Spirit.*

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*I believe in the Church.*

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## Nicene Creed

**I believe** in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all **things visible and invisible**.

**I believe** in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only **Begotten** Son of God,  
**born** of the **Father before all ages**.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, **consubstantial** with the  
Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
(*all bow.*) **and by** the Holy Spirit **was incarnate**  
of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate,

**he suffered death** and was buried,  
**and rose again on the third day**  
in **accordance with** the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

**I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver  
of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
**who** with the Father and the Son **is adored** and  
glorified,  
**who** has spoken through the prophets.  
**I believe** in one, holy, **catholic** and **apostolic**  
Church.

**I confess** one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and **I look forward** to the **resurrection** of the  
dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



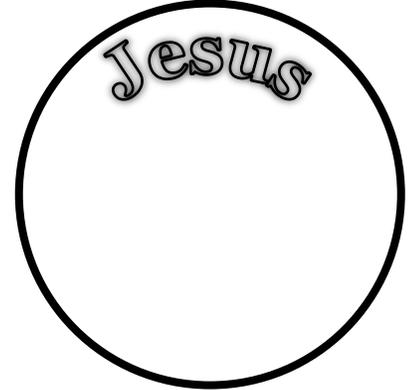
## Closing Prayer

### *Apostles' Creed*

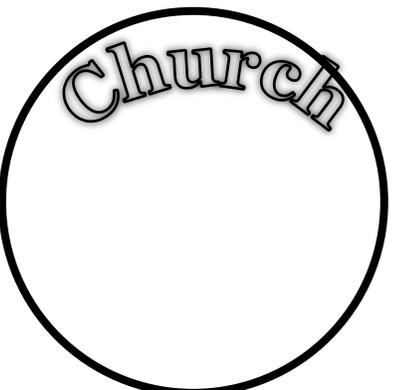
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there he shall come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I 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.

**Directions:** For each title, draw and color an appropriate symbol for each circle representing one of the parts of the Creed. Then write your own Faith Statement of Belief or Creed. Sign and return this page to Sr. Yvonne ([sryvonne@holyfamparma.org](mailto:sryvonne@holyfamparma.org) )

### My Creed



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