



One God, the Father, Almighty

Various Verses

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Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God,

Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. (NIV) (Mk. 12:28-31)

The world is filled with many gods, but Scripture says that there is only one true God.

Exodus 20:3 “You shall have no other gods before me.” (NIV)

Idolatry A: Treating something that is not God like it is God.
Idolatry B: Treating God like something that is not God.

1 Corinthians 8:6 ...for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live... (NIV)

Ephesians 4:6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. (NIV)

▪ **Allegiance: I worship God alone because he is the only one true God and is enough.**

the Father, the Almighty,

Father: God is personal.

Matthew 6:9 “This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven...” (NIV)

In the past, God was seen as the Father of groups of people, not the Father of individuals, until Jesus.

2 Corinthians 6:18 “I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” (NIV)

1 Peter 1:3 Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! (NIV)

The way to know what God the Father is like is Jesus.

John 14:9 “.... Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father...” (NIV)

Almighty: God is powerful.

Genesis 17:1 ...the LORD...said, “I am God Almighty...” (NIV)

Isaiah 6:3 ... “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.” (NIV)

Luke 1:37 “For nothing will be impossible with God.” (NAS)

Father Almighty: God is our provider, caring and strong enough to supply us with what we need.

James 1:17 Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father... (NIV)

Matthew 7:11 “So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give good gifts to those who ask him.” (NLT)

▪ **Trust: I depend on God to be my source because he is my Almighty Father.**

***maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.***

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. (NIV)

God made all that is spiritual and material. There is more to reality than what we can see.

Isaiah 44:24 “.... I am the LORD, the Maker of all things...” (NIV)

Psalms 139:13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. 14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. 15 My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth. 16 Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. 17 How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them! 18 Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand... (NIV)

God made me on purpose for a purpose. I matter.

Isaiah 42:5 God the LORD says— the one who created the heavens, the one who stretched them out, the one who spread out the earth and its offspring, the one who gave breath to its people and life to those who walk on it— 6 I, the LORD, have called you for a good reason. (CEB)

▪ **Surrender: I give my life to God because he alone is the creator of my story.**

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one essence with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
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.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of
sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer*, 1979.

Scripture & Creeds

Scripture is the Word of God. (ultimate authority)
Creeds are the church's confession of that Word.

Creeds...

Summarize: Condense the central teaching of Scripture

Clarify: Explain how the church understands
Scripture

Teach: Provide a framework for learning Christian
doctrine

Defend: Guard against false interpretations and
heresies

Unite: Give Christians a common confession

Creeds are the guardrails of the New Testament
commands to hold to truth and resist false doctrine.

Creeds

Creeds connect us to billions of fellow believers in the
historical and global church.

The creeds are the center of our faith where we are
close together.

Creeds are not just statements – they are stories.

The Nicene Creed

The Nicene Creed was first formulated at the Council of
Nicaea in AD 325 and expanded at the Council of
Constantinople in AD 381.

The Nicene Creed is the most important creed in history
because it is the only confession that every Christian
group affirms: Orthodox, Catholics, and Protestants.

The Nicene Creed is the most historical, global,
ecumenical, and influential creed.

The Nicene Creed states who God is, what he has done,
and how our lives are changed.