



The Holy Spirit

Various Verses

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Nicene Creed:

"We believe in the Holy Spirit..."

John 14:16-17

The Holy Spirit is a person to know, not an impersonal force to use.

"...the Lord..."

2 Corinthians 3:17

The Holy Spirit is fully divine and equally Lord.

"...the Giver of Life..."

The Holy Spirit continually gives life to God's children.

The Spirit: Convicts

John 16:7-11

The Spirit: Advocates

John 14:26

The Spirit: Cultivates

Galatians 5:16, 22-23

"...who proceeds from the Father and the Son..."

John 15:26; Acts 2:33; Romans 8:9 Galatians 4:6

We must practice grace when we disagree with one another.

1 Corinthians 13:12; Deuteronomy 29:29

"...who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified..."

Matthew 28:19; Philippians 2:9-11; Hebrews 1:6; Revelation 5:12-13; John 16:14

Invite the Holy Spirit into worship.

"...who has spoken through the prophets."

2 Samuel 23:2; Ezekiel 11:5; 2 Peter 1:21

The same Spirit who inspired scriptures speaks to us today.

2 Timothy 3:16

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.