

Lesson 1

Questions to memorize this week:

1. Q. Who made the world?

A. God made the world.

2. Q. Who is God?

A. God is the Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things.

3. Q. What is man?

A. Man is a creature composed of body and soul, and made to the image and likeness of God.

4. Q. Why did God make you?

A. God made me to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him in this world, and to be happy with Him forever in heaven.

5. Q. What must we do to save our souls?

A. To save our souls, we must worship God by faith, hope, and charity; that is, we must believe in Him, hope in Him, and love Him with all our heart.

6. Q. How shall we know the things which we are to believe?

A. We shall know the things which we are to believe from the Catholic Church, through which God speaks to us.

7. Q. Where shall we find the chief truths which the Church teaches?

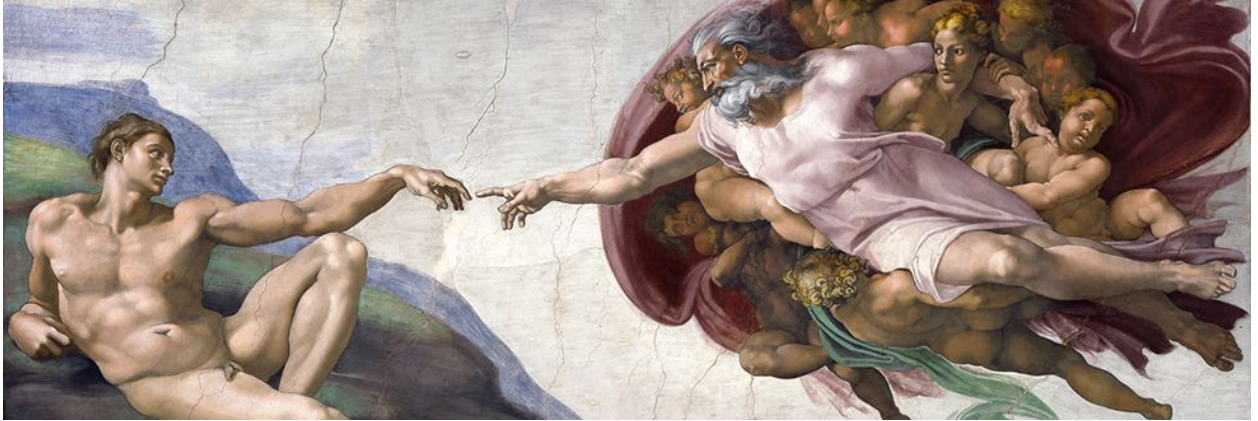
A. We shall find the chief truths which the Church teaches in the Apostles' Creed.

8. Say the Apostles' Creed.

Extra Practice Ideas:

- Make a prayer corner in your house. Pray the Apostles Creed daily with your family to remind us what we believe and to bring us closer to our faith.
- Make a prayer card with the Apostles Creed on it.
- Practice writing the prayer in print or cursive following these links:
 - Print – https://www.crusaders-for-christ.com/uploads/8/9/4/8/8948848/_a_postles_creed_-_printing.pdf

- Cursive – https://www.crusaders-for-christ.com/uploads/8/9/4/8/8948848/_a_postles_creed_-_handwriting.pdf
- Draw pictures for each day of creation. Here is a link for a worksheet:
 - <https://www.catholicicing.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/Creation-Notebook-Pages.pdf>
- **Creation of Adam** by Michelangelo



This is part of a painting on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican Museum. Cardinals gather here when it is time to pick a pope. This painting shows the fingers of the Creator and those of Adam, through which the breath of life is transmitted. God, supported by angels in flight and wrapped in a mantle, leans towards Adam, shown as a resting athlete, whose beauty seems to confirm the words of the Old Testament, according to which man was created to the image and likeness of God.

- Draw a picture of God creating you.
- Print out the Apostles Creed and pray it daily.
 - <file:///C:/Users/leeni/Documents/Apostles%20Creed.pdf>

Definitions – These are important terms to understand and that were covered this week.

Truths

Covenant: God's promise to be faithful to us forever and our promise to be faithful in return.

Creed: The formal statement of beliefs. Credo = I believe.

Faith: The theological virtue and gift of the Holy Spirit that enables us to respond to God and to believe the truths He has revealed.

Magisterium: The teaching authority and responsibility of the Church to interpret authentically the faith contained in Sacred Scripture and Tradition.

Revelation: God's free gift of making Himself known and giving Himself to us by gradually communicating His own mystery in deeds and words.

Sacred Scripture: The written inspired Word of God consisting of the 46 books of the Old Testament and the 26 books of the New Testament.

Sacred Tradition: The living transmission of the Faith by the Church through the power of the Holy Spirit. "The Church in her doctrine, life and worship, perpetuates and transmits to every generation all that She herself is, and that She believes. "

Errors

Atheism: The denial that God exists

Agnosticism: The claim that no one can know with certainty if God exists or not.

Secular Humanism: glorification of human achievement to the exclusion of God.
(practical atheism)

Hedonism: living for the sinful pursuit of pleasure, power, and possessions with no thought of God.

Secularism: a view of the world that focuses exclusively on the natural world and holds that the only means of knowing truth is through the natural sciences.