

*And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.*

*We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We affirm one baptism for the remission of sins.
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come.
Amen.*

The Creeds of the Church

Session 3—The Theology of the Nicene Creed

I. Review: Orthodoxy & Heresy

A. What is “orthodoxy”?

B. What is “heresy”?

C. Test cases

*God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.*

II. The Text of Nicene Creed

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

*For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.*

*And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages*

*He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory
to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.*