

Why Do I – Why Do You – Why Do We
Believe The Apostles' Creed - Personalized



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I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord
who was **conceived** by the **Holy Spirit**,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was **crucified**, dead, and buried.
The third day he arose from the dead;
he **ascended** into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the **quick** and the dead.
I believe in the **Holy Spirit**,
the Church universal,
the **communion** of saints,
the **forgiveness** of **sins**,
the **resurrection** of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

I Believe In God The Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth

- **Genesis 1:1-2(a)**

The Creation

- **1.**In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth
- **2.**And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep.

and in Jesus Christ His Only Son, Our Lord,

John 3:16 (KJV)

- 16. For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
- 17. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

Genesis 1:2(b)

- **2.** And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the water
(Reference: See also Matthew 1:18; Luke 1:35)

born of the Virgin Mary,

Luke 1:30-31

- **30.** And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou has found favor with God.
- **31.** And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name Jesus.

Isaiah 7:14

- **14.** Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.
(Reference: Matt. 1:18-23)

suffered Under Pontius Pilate,

John 19:1

Crucify him!

- Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him.

Reference:

Scourging (whipping) often preceded crucifixion. The Roman flagellum consisted of a whip, split into several strips, into which sharp bones were embedded so as to cut the flesh.

was crucified,

- Mark 15:24

The Crucifixion

- **16. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take..**

Reference Footnote:

Roman legal texts indicate that the executioners had a legal right to claim the minor possessions of the accused.

dead,

Mark 15:37

The Crucifixion

- And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

John 19:30

- When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

and buried.

John 19: 41

- 41. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulcher, wherein was never man yet laid.
- 42. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews preparation day; for the sepulcher was nigh at hand.

The third day he arose from the dead;

Matthew 27:63

- saying, “Sir, we remember, while He was still alive, how that deceiver said, ‘After three days I will rise.’

Matthew 28:5-6

- But the angel answered and said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

he ascended into heaven

Acts 1:7-9

- And He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. ⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be ^[a]witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

Jesus Ascends to Heaven

- ⁹ Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight.

and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

Romans 8:34

- Who *is* he who condemns? *It is* Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

from thence = ?

he = ?

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who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
The third day he arose from the dead;
he ascended into **heaven** and sits at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge **the quick and the dead.**

quick = living

dead = dead

2 Timothy 4:1 King James Version (KJV)

I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the **quick and the dead** at his appearing and his kingdom;

- *2 Timothy 4:1* New King James Version (NKJV)
- I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the **living and the dead** at His appearing and His kingdom:

- Genesis 2:16-17 New King James Version (NKJV)
- ¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, “Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

Everything Has Its Time

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 New King James Version (NKJV)

- **3** To everything *there is* a season,
A time for every purpose under heaven:
- **2** A time to be born,
And a time to die;
A time to plant,
And a time to pluck *what is* planted;

from thence he shall come to **judge** the quick and the dead.

2 Corinthians 5:10

- For we ***must all*** appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that **each one** may *receive the things done in the body*, **according to** *what he has done, whether good or bad.*

I believe in the **Holy** Spirit,

Holy = ?

Of God, not mixed with anything not of God, and used only to honor and praise God.

consecrated

sacred

Examples of holy

Exodus 20:11

*For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it **holy**.*

Exodus 19:5-6

*⁵ Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, ⁶ you^[a] will be for me a kingdom of priests and a **holy** nation.’ These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites.”*

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

Spirit = ?

The non-body portion of a person that:

- makes the body portion of a person live;
- makes us who we are;
- and to behave as we behave.

Some examples of a person's spirit

- [Numbers 27:18](#)
- So the Lord said to Moses, “Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the **spirit** of leadership, and lay your hand on him.

- [Deuteronomy 2:30](#)
- But Sihon king of Heshbon refused to let us pass through. For the Lord your God had made his **spirit** stubborn and his heart obstinate in order to give him into your hands, as he has now done.

I believe in the **Holy Spirit**,

John 14:26

- But the Helper, the **Holy Spirit**, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

the Church universal,

Ephesians 1:22-23

- And He put all *things* under His feet, and gave Him *to be* head over all *things* to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

the communion of saints,

Psalm 149:1

- Praise the Lord!
- Sing to the Lord a new song,
And His praise in the assembly of saints.

the forgiveness of sins,

Ephesians 1:7

- In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace

the resurrection of the body,

Romans 1:4

- *and* declared *to be* the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

and the life everlasting.

John 6:47

- Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.

Amen.