



YES, LORD, I Believe

A Sing-Along Celebration of the Creed



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Yes, Lord, I Believe

Do you believe in God the Father?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Who made the earth and everything,

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Chorus

I believe in God the Father,

I believe in God the Son,

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

And the strength that makes us one.

I believe that God Almighty

Is the Holy Three-in-One.

I believe; I do believe!

Do you believe that Jesus died?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

He died for us so we could live.

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Do you believe he rose again?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

He's seated now at God's right hand.

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

The Christian Church and
communion of saints,

Yes, Lord, I believe!

Do you believe in God's forgiveness?

Yes, Lord, I believe!

That we will rise to life again,

Yes, Lord, I believe!

This is our faith,

Which we profess,

Yes, Lord, I believe!

About the Song

I wrote this song to support my own students in their learning and understanding of the Creed. As a religious educator, my aim was to create an educational, engaging and intergenerational song. I never anticipated the song's powerful two-fold impact: First, the students were continually singing it and joining in with each other, and secondly, within a few days, all students were able to articulate and recall the Creed. The song, with its call-and-response format, has become a valuable catechetical resource for all ages.

— *John Burland*



I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

As we open our eyes in the morning of each new day, we see the wonder and awe of God's creation. We see a world created for us in love by our Father, the almighty creator of heaven and earth. Our Father loves us unconditionally and wants us to share in the fullness of life.

In the beauty of the world, the joy of relationships and even the challenges of each day, we know that God the Father is ever present. We acknowledge and praise God as all powerful, all loving and the ultimate source of all existence.

Being so loved and chosen to share in the gifts of God the Father, we reflect on the grandeur and complexity of the universe, which remind us of our humble place within it.

For Reflection

When do you feel the wonder and awe of God's world?

Is there a particular place where you are overwhelmed with the beauty of God's creation?

Prayer

Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for the wonder and awe that surround us each day. We praise you, Lord, for the gifts of life and endless love that you have shared with us. Amen.

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or scan the QR code



And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

God the Father loved the world so much that he sent his only Son, Jesus, to us. Jesus Christ, Son of God, is the light that came into the world to show us the way to the Father.

Through Jesus, we come to know how to grow in unity with the Father. Jesus tells us, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life” (John 14:6). It is by following Jesus and living in his way that we truly come to know the Father and his great love for us.

In the Gospels, we can discover the person of Jesus and what he calls each of us to be as true followers of the Father. Through his interactions and dialogue with others, Jesus shows us how to follow in his way, so we can one day enter the Kingdom of God.

For Reflection

In what ways are we called to follow Jesus?

How did Jesus show those he encountered the face of God?

Prayer

Jesus Christ, Son of God, you are the way, the truth and the life that leads us to the Father. Walk with us always as we follow in your way on this journey of faith. Amen.

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

Jesus' conception and birth were special and miraculous events that took place by the power of the Holy Spirit.

A young woman, Mary, was chosen by God from all women to be the mother of God's Son, Jesus. When the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and asked her to be the mother of God's Son, she immediately answered "yes" without hesitation or knowing God's plan (Luke 1:38). Her faithfulness and trust in God was immediate and without question. She never doubted. Instead, she joyfully proclaimed that she was the servant of the Lord who was fully accepting of God's will.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Mary, a virgin, conceived and gave birth to God's Son, Jesus. Today, Mary is a model for each of us as a person of faith who willingly accepted God's call and said "yes" to God.

For Reflection

How can we strive to be more like Mary in our own lives?

How can we listen and respond when God calls to us as Mary did?

Prayer

Lord God, help us to listen and respond to your call. Strengthen us to be faithful disciples who, like Mary, always proclaim "yes" to you. Amen.

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Reflect upon the meaning behind the words and phrases of the Apostles' Creed with this booklet of devotions, prayers and questions to ponder regarding each line of this statement of faith. Perfect for use by confirmation students and new members in your church to review what the Church believes and treasures. Lyrics and a link to a song about the Creed are also included.

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