



# The Creed: Second Article (I)

Lesson 7

I BELIEVE  
IN ONE GOD...



## MEMORY (pg. 10; green catechism)

### The Second Article

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

*What does this mean?*

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord,**

who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,

that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,

Even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.

This is most certainly true.



True God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary.

## RESPOND

*All catechism students*

Psalm	22
Reading	Luke 1:26-38, John 18:28-19:37
Catechism Hymn	387, 142

- Catechism Family Devotions
- Attend Divine Service and Sunday School
- Read memory work aloud 3 times a day in the morning and in the evening every day this week
- Review the lesson this review sheet

*First year students*

- Complete Quiz 7A in the online classroom.

*Second year students*

- Read Questions 121-131 in *A Short Explanation of Dr. Martin Luther's Small Catechism* (pg. 97ff).
- Complete Quiz 7B in the online classroom.

*Third year students*

- Read *Luther's Large Catechism* pg. 88-87 (through paragraph 30).
- Complete Quiz 7C in the online classroom

QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK...

## Review—The Creed: Second Article (I)

The Second Article of the Apostles' Creed deals with the second Person of the Holy Trinity, Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The Son of God is truly God, not created, but eternally begotten of the Father and born into the human race in time (John 1:1; 14).

Christ is equal with the Father with respect to His divinity, but inferior to the Father with respect to His humanity.

The one Person of Jesus Christ is composed of two inseparable, though distinct, natures—divine nature and human nature.

Though He is born of human mother, He is born without sin because His conception and birth are supernatural; He is conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit of the flesh of a virgin mother.

The name *Jesus* is the given name of the Son of God. It means "Savior" (cf. Matthew 1:21).

The title *Christ* (Hebrew: Messiah) is given to Jesus and means "anointed one." He is anointed with the Holy Spirit at His baptism (cf. Matthew 3:16-17) and declared by the Father to be His beloved Son.

Jesus is called Lord because Lord is word used for the Divine Name of God in the Old Testament. The confession, "Jesus is Lord," is the basic confession of faith that says that the man Jesus is the same God who spoke to Abraham, to Moses, and to the prophets.

He has become my Lord by His incarnation, death, resurrection, and ascension into heaven.



For when we had been created by God the Father and had received from Him all kinds of good, the devil came and led us into disobedience, sin, death, and all evil. So we fell under God's wrath and displeasure and were doomed to eternal damnation, just as we had merited and deserved. There was no counsel, help, or comfort until this only and eternal Son of God—in His immeasurable goodness—had compassion upon our misery and wretchedness. He came from heaven to help us. So those tyrants and jailers are all expelled now. In their place has come Jesus Christ, Lord of life, righteousness, every blessing, and salvation. He has delivered us poor, lost people from hell's jaws, has won us, has made us free, and has brought us again into the Father's favor and grace. He has taken us as His own property under His shelter and protection so that He may govern us by His righteousness, wisdom, power, life, and blessedness.



### Notes

