

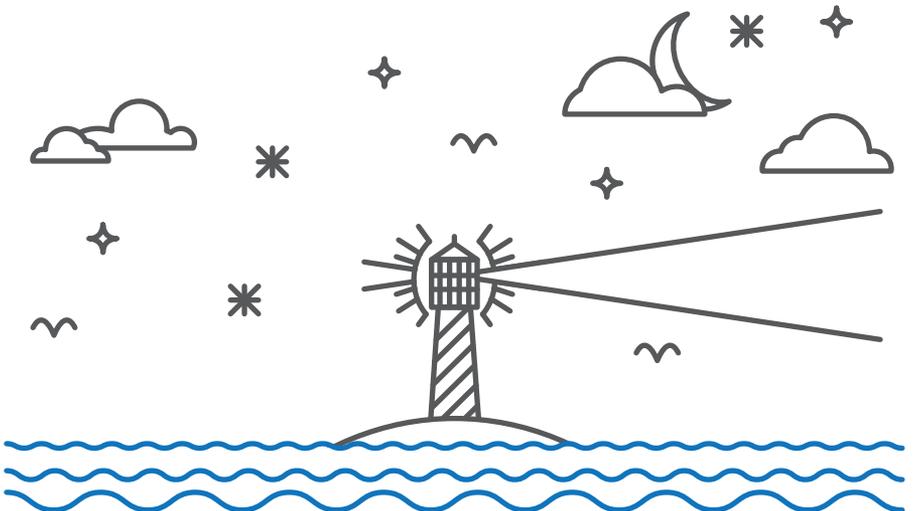
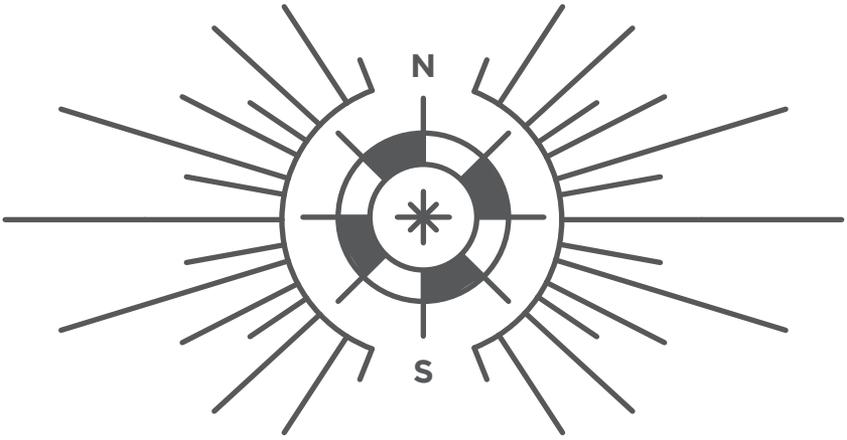


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Part 1: God's Glory

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1. Who made you and everything? God made everything and me.

Genesis 1:1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Apostle's Creed, part 1 I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

2. What is God like? God is our holy and almighty Creator. He cannot be seen, but he has made everything we can see.

John 1:18a No one has ever seen God.

Psalms 89:16 Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

3. Are there more gods than one? No. There is only one true God.

Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the LORD is one.

Jeremiah 10:10a But the LORD is the true God; he is the living God, the eternal King.

4. Does God have a beginning? No. He has no beginning and no end. He is forever.

Isaiah 26:4 Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD, the LORD himself, is the Rock eternal.

Revelation 1:8 “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

5. God exists forever as how many persons? Three. God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

2 Corinthians 13:14 May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

6. Is God good? Yes. No one is truly good except God.

Psalms 106:1 Praise the LORD. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

God is...

Wise	God always chooses the best.
Holy	God is separate from sin.
Love	God gives himself away to others.
Just	God always does what is right.
True	God does not lie.

- 4 year-olds add this section.

7. Is God great? Yes, and his greatness cannot be measured.

Psalm 145:3 Great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

God is...

Independent	God does not need us.
Unchangeable	God is loyal and perfect.
Eternal	God is timeless.
Omnipresent	God is everywhere.
One	God is not divided.

8. Why did God make you? God made us to enjoy him and show his glory to others.

1 Corinthians 10:31 Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

Isaiah 48:11 For my own sake, for my own sake, I do this. How can I let myself be defamed? I will not yield my glory to another.

9. What is God's glory? God's glory is his goodness and greatness shining out to the world.

Psalm 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God. The skies proclaim the work of his hands.

Habakkuk 2:14 For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

10. How did God form the first man? God formed Adam from the dust.

Genesis 2:7 Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

What are the responsibilities of a man?

Pioneer	Go to the action
Worker	Get it done
Warrior	Guard the truth
Sage	Grow in wisdom
Image-bearer	Give all glory to God

11. How did God form the first woman? God formed Eve from Adam's rib.

Genesis 2:22 Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

What are the responsibilities of a woman?

Helper	Draw near with strength
Life-giver	Deliver life
Nurturer	Develop others
Voice of Wisdom	Desire understanding
Image-bearer	Display God's beauty

- Kindergarten adds this section.

12. How do we show God's glory? We show God's glory by loving, trusting, and obeying him.

Deuteronomy 11:1 Love the LORD your God and keep his requirements, his decrees, his laws, and his commandments always.

Ecclesiastes 12:13 Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments for this is the duty of all mankind.

13. Where do we learn to love, trust, and obey God? In the Bible.

Psalms 119:11 I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

Psalms 119:104-105 I gain understanding from your precepts; therefore I hate every wrong path. Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

14. Can we trust the Bible? Yes. The Bible is completely true and without any mistakes.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Authority	The Bible is our rule.
Clarity	The Bible can be understood.
Sufficiency	The Bible is enough.
Necessity	We need the Bible.

15. What is the gospel? The gospel is the good news that we enter God’s kingdom through God’s cross by God’s grace.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Colossians 1:13-14 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Part 2: God’s Kingdom

16. What is the gospel of the kingdom? The good news that we can have life with God under the rule of God.

Matthew 13:44 The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.

Mark 1:15 “The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”

17. How does God command us to live in his kingdom? We are commanded to love God and love our neighbor.

Matthew 22:37-40 Jesus replied, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

- **1st Grade adds this section.**

18. How should we love God? We love God by obeying and serving only him.

Exodus 20:3-11 (abbreviated) You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an image. You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

19. Why does God tell us, “You shall have no other gods before me”? Because God is our only King and Lord.

Acts 17:24 The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.

1 Timothy 1:17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

20. Why does God tell us, “You shall not make for yourself an image”?

So we will serve God and nothing else.

Jeremiah 16:20 Do people make their own gods? Yes, but they are not gods!”

1 Samuel 12:21 Do not turn away after useless idols. They can do you no good, nor can they rescue you, because they are useless.

21. Why does God tell us, “You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God”? So we will respect God’s name, Word, and works.

Psalms 29:2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

Revelation 15:4 Who will not fear you, Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.

22. Why does God tell us, “Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy”? So we will rest in God and remember finished work of Jesus.

Genesis 2:3 Then God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

2 Corinthians 1:20 For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.

23. How should we love our neighbor? We should love our neighbor as ourselves.

Exodus 20:12-17 (abbreviated) Honor your father and your mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. You shall not covet.

24. Why does God tell us, “Honor your father and mother”? So we will love and obey our parents.

Ephesians 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

Colossians 3:20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

25. Why does God tell us, “You shall not murder”? So we will not hate or be angry.

1 John 3:15 Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

Matthew 5:21-22a “You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, ‘You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.’ But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment.

26. Why does God tell us, “You shall not commit adultery”? So we will love others from a pure and faithful heart.

Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Ephesians 5:3 But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God’s holy people.

27. Why does God tell us, “You shall not steal”? So we will not take what is not ours but instead want to give.

Malachi 3:8 “Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings.”

Ephesians 4:28 Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

28. Why does God tell us, “You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor”? So we will tell the truth as God does and not speak evil of one another.

1 Corinthians 13:6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

Zechariah 8:16 These are the things you are to do: Speak the truth to each other, and render true and sound judgment in your courts.

29. Why does God tell us, “You shall not covet”? So we will be content with what we have.

Philippians 4:11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.

Hebrews 13:5 Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.”

- **2nd Grade adds this section.**

30. Who can obey God’s law? No one but Jesus can obey God’s law perfectly.

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Hebrews 4:15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.

31. If no one can obey God’s law, why did God give it? God gave the law to show us his goodness, to show us our sin, and to show us we need Jesus.

John 5:39 You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me.

Romans 3:20 Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

32. What is sin? Sin is saying "No" to God and doing what we want instead of what God wants.

1 John 3:4 Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.

James 2:10 For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.

33. What happens because of sin? All people are lost and apart from God because of our sin.

Isaiah 53:6a We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way

Proverbs 16:25 There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.

34. What happens to the world because of our sin?
The world is broken because of our sin.

Genesis 3:17b-19 "Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life. It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return."

35. What happens to people who never turn away from sin? They will be thrown into hell.

Revelation 20:15 Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

Luke 12:5 But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after your body has been killed, has authority to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him.

36. How do people enter God's kingdom? We must turn from sin and have faith in Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 1:9b They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God.

Acts 16:30-31 He then brought them out and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."

37. What is turning from sin called? To repent means to turn away from sin and turn to Jesus.

Luke 13:3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.

Acts 2:38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

38. What does it mean to have faith in Jesus? To trust only Jesus to save us.

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Hebrews 11:8 By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going.

39. What gift do we receive when we repent and believe? Forgiveness of sins and life with Jesus forever.

1 John 5:11 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

Life with Jesus...

Union	One in His covenant
Adoption	Part of His family
Participation	Sharing in His story
Identification	Citizen of His kingdom
Incorporation	Member of His body

Part 3: God's Cross

- 3rd Grade adds this section.

40. What do we mean when we talk about the message of the cross? The life and work of Jesus.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

2 Corinthians 5:21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

41. What makes Jesus' life different from every other man? Jesus was fully God and fully man, and he obeyed God's law perfectly.

Matthew 1:20b "Do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

Apostle's Creed, part 2: And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary...

Incarnation
Sinless Life

He was conceived by the Spirit.
He perfectly obeyed,

42. What kind of death did Jesus die? Jesus suffered and died on the cross, but, after three days, he rose again!

Mark 8:31 He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things... and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

Apostle's Creed, part 3: suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead...

Death

suffered painfully and shamefully,

Resurrection

and rose victoriously.

43. Where is Jesus now? He is in heaven where he rules with God the Father.

Colossians 3:1 Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Apostle's Creed, part 4: He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty...

Ascension

He returned to the Father.

Intercession

He prays for us.

Exaltation

He reigns over all.

Pentecost

He sends the Spirit.

44. When will Jesus return? He is coming soon, but we don't know when. Come Lord Jesus.

Matthew 24:36 But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

1 Thessalonians 4:16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

Apostles Creed, part 5: From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

45. What is included in Jesus' work? Jesus' work is everything he did to win salvation for us.

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

Sacrifice	Christ also suffered once for sins,
Righteousness	the righteous for the unrighteous,
Reconciliation	to bring you to God.
Victory	He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit.

46. How is Jesus our sacrifice? He is the Lamb who takes away our sin.

Isaiah 53:5 But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

Jesus sacrifice includes...

Propitiation	He satisfies God's wrath.
Expiation	He removes our filth.

47. How is Jesus our righteousness? His perfect life counts for us.

Romans 4:25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and raised to life for our justification.

Jesus righteousness includes...

Justification God declares us right.

Imputation God credits our account.

48. How is Jesus our reconciliation? He is the man in the middle. He brings us back to God.

1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus.

Jesus reconciliation includes...

Mediation He represents us.

Substitution He takes our place

Renewal He removes the curse.

49. How is Jesus our victory? He has defeated Satan, sin, and death.

1 Corinthians 15:26 The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Romans 16:20a The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.

Jesus has defeated...

Satan He crushes Satan.

Sin He sets us free from sin.

Death He destroys death.

50. What hope does the message of the cross offer to us? We belong to Jesus, because he bought us with his blood.

Romans 14:8 If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.

1 Corinthians 16:19-20 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Part 4: God's Grace

● 4th Grade adds this section.

51. What is God's grace? God's love freely given to us in Jesus.

Ephesians 1:6 ...to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.

Grace—God's wonderful acceptance of us not because we have earned it or deserve it but because he gives it to us freely at Christ's expense.

52. When did God choose to love and save his people? God planned to love and save his people before the creation of the world.

Ephesians 1:4-5 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will.

Planned Grace (Election)—God maps out salvation from start to end.

53. Can you come to God in your own power? No. We are dead in sin, and we need the Holy Spirit to make us alive.

John 3:7 You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’

Ephesians 2:5 [God] made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions –it is by grace you have been saved.

Resurrecting Grace (Regeneration)—God makes dead men walk.

54. How does the Holy Spirit make us alive? The Holy Spirit helps us to have faith in Jesus.

John 37:38-39a “Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.” By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive.

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Outrageous Grace (Conversion)—God freely gives us faith and all its treasures.

55. What are the enemies of God’s grace? The lies that we’re good enough or that we can work hard enough to earn God’s love.

Ephesians 2:9 –not by works so that no one can boast.

56. Who will come to God? We can't reach God, but he reaches us. God calls to his people, and they follow him.

John 10:27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

John 6:44a No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them.

Overcoming Grace (Calling)—God turns our rebellion into complete surrender.

57. How do I know that I belong to God? The Holy Spirit marks us as God's children forever.

Ephesians 1:13b-14 When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.

Forever Grace (Keeping)—God seals us by his Spirit until the end.

58. What is growth? Growth is a lifelong partnership with the Holy Spirit to change and become like Jesus.

Colossians 1:28 Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

59. Does God only change us a little? No. The Holy Spirit changes our whole life.

Luke 2:52 And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

We become like Jesus in our whole life...

Head	Outlook, Intellect
Heart	Attitude, Emotions
Hands	Actions, Relationships

60. What is the evidence of a changed life? The fruit of the Spirit is the evidence of a changed life.

Galatians 5:22-23a But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

61. What does the Holy Spirit use to change Christians? God's word, prayer, and trials.

Acts 2:42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Word	Read it, remember, and hear it.
Prayer	Talk to God about it.
Trials	Practice his word with his people.

Part 5: God's Church & God's Mission

- 5th Grade adds this section.

62. What is the church? The church is the people that God has made alive, called together, and sent on mission.

1 Peter 2:9-10 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

63. How does the church go into the world? The church goes into the world as *worshipers*. We bow to Jesus' authority and praise him for his power.

Matthew 28:18 Then Jesus came and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk."

64. What is the Great Commission Jesus gave to his church? He commissions his church to make *disciples*. We learn from Jesus and help others learn from him.

Matthew 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Luke 24:47 and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

65. What is baptism? Immersing believers in water in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8:36 As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water. What can stand in the way of my being baptized?”

Acts 2:38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

66. Why do we baptize in the name of the Father?

Because the church is God’s *family*. We are God’s adopted children. We care for one another like brothers and sisters.

Romans 8:16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.

John 1:12 To all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God.

67. Why do we baptize in the name of the Son?

Because “Jesus is Lord,” and we are his *servants*. We work for others because the Son has worked for us.

Romans 12:1 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

John 13:14 Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet.

68. Why do we baptize in the name of the Holy Spirit? Because we are *witnesses*. We receive the Holy Spirit's power to share and show Jesus to others.

Matthew 28:20 And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

69. What is communion? Eating bread and drinking the cup to remember Jesus' death until he comes.

Luke 22:19-20 And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

70. How does the church show its complete dependence on God? Through prayer. This is how Jesus taught us to pray...

Matthew 6:9-13 Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

71. What are we asking when we pray, "Hallowed be your name"? That we might love God and praise his name above all things.

Psalm 9:1-2 I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and rejoice in you; I will sing the praises of your name, O Most High.

72. What are we asking when we pray, “Your kingdom come”? That we might see everyone have life with God under the rule of God.

Mark 4:30-32 Again he said, “What shall we say the kingdom of God is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all seeds on earth. Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.”

73. What are we asking when we pray, “Your will be done”? That the sinfulness and brokenness of this world be wiped away as people obey God.

Amos 5:24 But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!

74. What are we asking when we pray, “Give us today our daily bread”? That God will take care of our daily needs.

Matthew 6:25 Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?

75. What are we asking when we pray, “Forgive us our debts”? That we receive God’s forgiveness for sin and God will enable us to forgive others.

Matthew 6:14-15 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

76. What are we asking when we pray, “Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one”?

That God will keep us from sin and Satan’s lies.

James 1:13-14 When tempted, no one should say, “God is tempting me.” For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed.

77. Will the church ever be free from sin? Yes. When Jesus returns, we will appear with him—changed into his image and totally free from sin.

1 John 3:2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Apostle’s Creed, part 6 I believe in the Holy Spirit, one holy Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins...

78. What has Jesus prepared for his church? Jesus prepares new bodies for us to live with him forever in the new heavens and the new earth.

John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

1 Corinthians 15:42 So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable;

Apostle’s Creed, part 7 [I believe in] the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.