



Community Groups are used extensively as the primary vehicle for discipleship at The Gathering and run on a quarter system. There is one in the fall, one in the winter and one in the spring. During the summer weeks we don't meet in Community Groups but we still offer the Growth Guides as a tool to help you grow personally. The Growth Guides are designed to help you dig deeper into the weekly sermon on your own or with your family and are available each week along with the note sheets at church as well as online.

USE THIS GUIDE TO PREPARE FOR THE DISCUSSIONS IN COMMUNITY GROUP.

Consider...

Use the summary and discussion below to review and apply this week's message:

The Big Idea

The Apostles Creed helps ground us in truth and guard us from error.

Message Summary

This week we concluded our look at The Apostles Creed. We focused on the third paragraph of the Creed, which we've included below along for reference as you discuss the questions.

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 rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth 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 holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Discuss

Use the following questions to review and apply the points learned in the message.

- How has your view of the Holy Spirit grown through the years? What stands out to you about the Holy Spirit in Acts 5:3-4?
- Take the time to read the following passages - John 14:15-17, 25-26; John 16:12-15. What do they teach us about the Holy Spirit?
- Read Ephesians 4:25-32. How does the context help us understand what grieves the Holy Spirit?
- How does it feel to know that you belong to the universal "catholic" church?
- How is "the communion of saints" harder than it sounds? Why do you think "the forgiveness of sins" is so closely related to it?
- There are A LOT of "one another" verses in the Bible. Here are a few to read (feel free to Google "one another verses" and get some more!): Romans 15:7; Galatians 5:26; Colossians 3:13; James 5:16; Romans 12:10; Ephesians 4:2; Galatians 5:13. Which ones are the most challenging for you?
- Who can you share the good news of the resurrection and everlasting life with this week? Take time to pray for them by name.