



# THE NICENE CREED

c. 325 AD

# CHECK-IN & CHECK-UP

## // CHECK-IN

:: Everyone take a minute or two to share how they've been since the last time you met.

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## // CHECK-UP

:: Do a spiritual check-up. *How's your bible-reading, prayer, church attendance? In what ways do you feel encouraged/discouraged? Where do you see evidence of the Spirit's work in your own life?*

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• SEMESTER II • SESSION IV •  
**CHRIST IS COMING AGAIN**

*“He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.”*

The gospel of Jesus Christ is the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins. This gospel is the foundation of the Christian faith and gives us hope for eternity. God created a perfect world, but man fell when Adam disobeyed God and ate of the tree of knowledge. God provides redemption through the gospel of Jesus. In the consummation of time, Jesus will return and restore creation and make all things new.

Future restoration is promised by God through the Holy Scriptures and confessed in the Nicene Creed. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. **He will come again.** Throughout the Old Testament, the prophets foretold the coming of Jesus, both his earthly life and his future return. Since Jesus fulfilled all his earthly prophecies, we can be certain He will fulfill His promise to return. **With Glory.** Jesus will return in power and glory. **To judge the living and the dead.** When Jesus returns, he will demonstrate his power to judge the world. This judgment will bring honor to those who are in Christ and dishonor to the spiritually dead. **His kingdom will never end.** Jesus' second coming will establish his eternal kingdom.

REVIEW

• SEMESTER II • SESSION IV •  
CHRIST IS COMING AGAIN

*“He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead.”*

**READ TOGETHER:**

**Read Joel 2:1-11 with an emphasis on 10-11. After that, read Matt 24:29-31.**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

What does the reading of Matthew 24 considering Joel 2 tell us and why is this important for us as believers?

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Matthew 24:30 states Jesus will come “*with power and great glory*”. In context, what is the power and glory?

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// GETTING TO THE POINT

**READ TOGETHER:**

**John 14:1-7**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

We have looked at this passage for several lessons. We can be assured of Jesus' second coming, but what does this passage tell us as believers?

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// GETTING TO THE POINT

**READ TOGETHER:**

**2 Timothy 4:1**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

Jesus returns and has the power to judge. The judgment is for both the living and the dead.

What does this phrase mean?

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Who are the living and who are the dead?

// GETTING TO THE POINT

**READ TOGETHER:**

**Revelation 20:11-15**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

What does this tell us about the judgment for the dead?

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What does this tell us about the judgment of the living?

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# CHRIST-FORMING DISCIPLESHIP

## // GETTING TO CHRIST

How does the return of Jesus with glory to judge the living and the dead demonstrate his divinity?

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## // GETTING TO ME

According to Romans 8:1-2, a believer is free from sin and judgment of the dead. With this in mind, read 2 Corinthians 5:9-10 and 1 Corinthians 3:9-15. Based on these two passages, and what we saw in Revelation 20, how is the believer judged?

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// GETTING TO OTHERS

Read Psalm 5:1-8. How does God's judgment of the living and the dead bring Him glory?

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How does this impact our view of local evangelism and global missions?

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HAVE EACH PERSON SHARE A PRAYER REQUEST  
AND CLOSE BY PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

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EVANGELISM & PRAYER

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

