

HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a

Talking about the First Article of The Apostles' Creed *

I believe in God, The Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

What does this mean?

I believe that God has created me and all that exists. He has given to me and still sustains my body and soul, my senses and all my members, my reason and all the powers of my soul. I believe that He gives me food and clothing, home and family, and all material blessings; that He daily provides abundantly for all the needs of my life, protects me from all danger, and guards

and keeps me from all evil. I believe that He does this because of His fatherly and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this I should thank, praise, serve, and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

140 What are the visible beings [that God has created]?

People and animals are visible beings that God has created.

141 What is unique about the creation of people?

They were created in the image of God. Since God is a Spirit, this image is not a physical image.

142 According to the Scriptures, what were people like when first created by God?

1. They knew God as Creator and Friend.
2. They loved God and wanted to please him in everything.
3. They had a conscience full of peace and joy because it was free of guilt.
4. They ruled over creation.
5. They were immune to sorrow, sickness, and death.
6. They had the ability to reason, to be creative, and to relate involve to other beings.

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version

A Verse to Remember

Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

Matthew 6:31-33 ESV



* in the **Explanation of Luther's Small Catechism.**

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