

REAL TALK FROM THE WORD

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Apostles' Creed – Week 8

*I believe in
God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead and on the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, and he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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.*

2 Timothy 4:1–2 (NASB95)

“Preach the Word”

I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction.

What's revealed in the return of Christ is His glory.

Hebrews 9:27–28 (NASB95) — And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this comes judgment, so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without reference to sin, to those who eagerly await Him.

There's a day that all the nations and all the angels will sit around His glorious throne, and no one will dispute in that moment that He is King.

Matthew 25:31–46 - Jesus says that “I the Shepherd, I the Son of Man, I the King, that I will step in, and I'll separate the sheep from the goats.”

The King who is the Judge, who is sitting in glory on His throne, associates Himself with the lowly.

- **SYMMETRY (Balance):** We have a merciful Judge who is looking to us and giving us mercy, a just Judge who is right to punish sin...but you've been declared innocent because you stand in Christ and not on your own merits.
- **CLARITY:** Christ takes no pleasure in the destruction of the wicked.
- **COMMUNITY:** There should be a weightiness of mourning for brothers and sisters all throughout the world that are being persecuted. And there should be a rejoicing when the Lord does things all around the world.
- **COUNSEL:** There is faithfulness in practical obedience.