

# 2019-2020 Bible Study

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# Setting the Stage

- You are a 30 year old 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew
  - Living in Jerusalem in 65 A.D.
  - Married with a family
  - Working as a shopkeeper
  - Attempting to live a “righteous life”
  - Curious about “the new way” of Judaism including:
    - Who is the Rabbi *Joshua*, son of *Joseph* the carpenter, from Nazareth
    - The rumor that he is the long awaited “Messiah”

# 1<sup>st</sup> Century Players

- Political groups
  - Essenes
    - A religious community near the Dead Sea
    - Copied scriptures (dead sea scrolls)
    - Hoped to be the remnant
  - Zealots
    - Political activists who wanted to attack the Romans
    - Started the seven year war that led to the destruction of the temple in 70 A.D.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Century Players (Cont)

- Samaritans
  - Remnants of the 10 tribes of Israel after the Assyrian assimilation
  - Bitter rivals to the Jews
- Neighbor – a member of the tribes of Israel
- Gentile – a person who is not Jewish

# 1<sup>st</sup> Century Players

- Some Occupations:
  - Land/plantation owner
  - Courtier
  - Physician
  - Shopkeeper
  - Carpenter
  - Laborer
  - Blacksmith
  - Artisan
  - Weaver

# 1<sup>st</sup> Century Players (Cont)

- Temple Guard
- Farmer
- Fisherman
- Shepherd
- Sailor
- Servants/ Slave
- Tax collector

# Review of Catholic Faith

- What does a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Catholic profess to believe?
  - Deposit of Faith
  - Nicene Creed
  - Seven Sacraments
  - Moral Theology based on the 10 Commandments
  - Prayer

# Deposit of Faith

- Sacred Scripture
  - Old Testament
  - New Testament
- Sacred Tradition



# The Nicene Creed

## *God the Father*

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven **and earth**,  
**of all things visible** and invisible.

# The Nicene Creed

## *Jesus Christ*

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the Only **Begotten** Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, **begotten, not made,**  
**consubstantial** with the Father; through  
him all things were made.

# The Nicene Creed

## *Jesus Christ (Cont)*

For us men and for our salvation he came  
down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was **incarnate**  
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius  
Pilate,  
he **suffered death** and was buried,  
and **rose again** on the third day in accordance  
with the Scriptures.

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He will come again in glory **to judge** the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

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## *Holy Spirit*

- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.



# The Nicene Creed

## *The Church*

I believe in **one, holy, catholic,**  
and **apostolic** Church.

# The Nicene Creed

## *End Things*

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

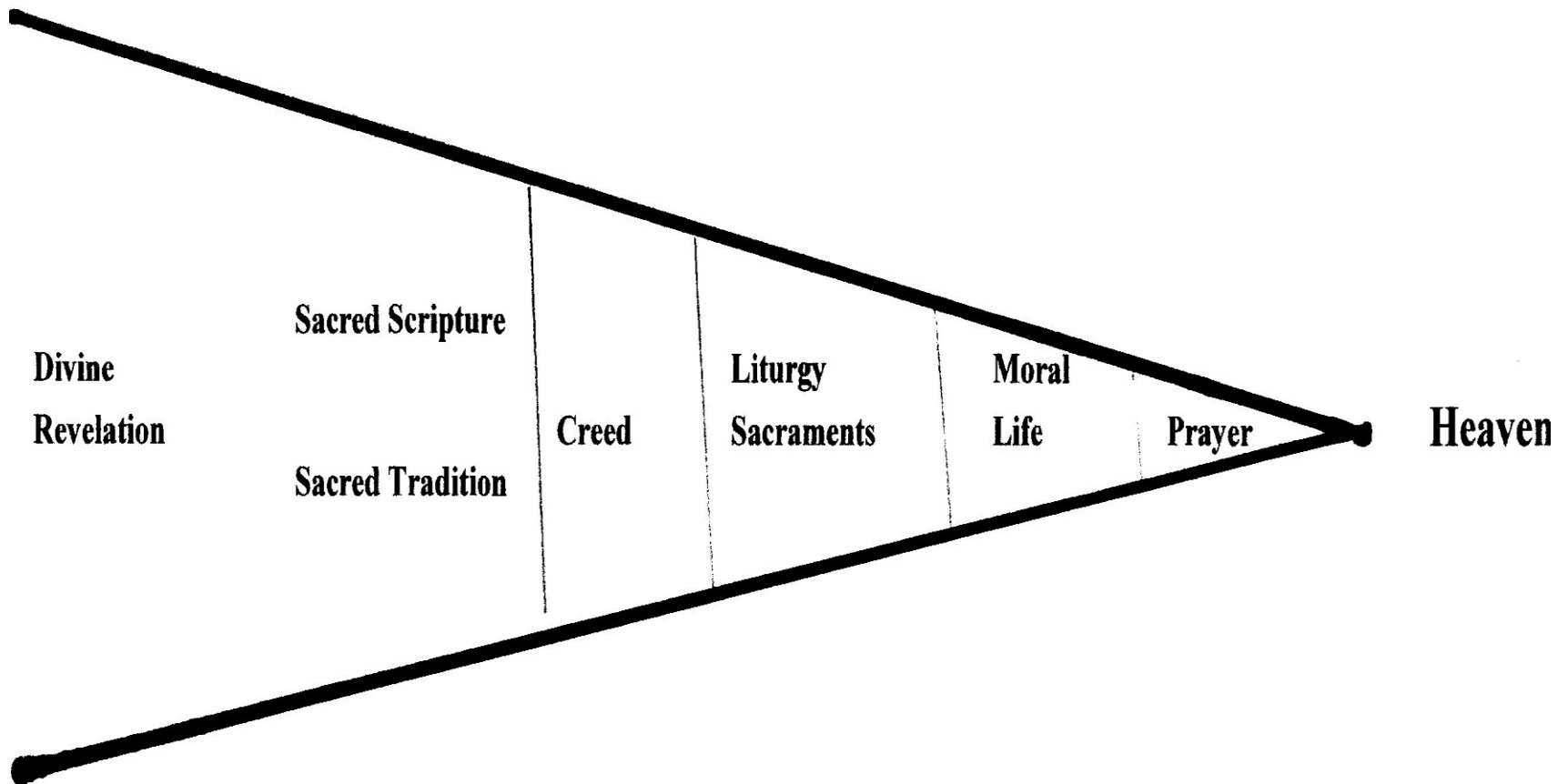
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# The Seven Sacraments

- Baptism
- Penance
- Eucharist
- Confirmation
- Matrimony
- Holy Orders
- Sacrament of the Sick

# Transmission of the Revelation

**The Transmission of the Divine Revelation within the Church**



# Review of the Jewish Faith

- What did a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew profess to believe?
  - The Covenants
    - Abraham
      - Circumcision
    - Moses
      - Law
    - David
      - Dynasty
  - The Torah

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe

- Abraham and the Patriarchs – 2000 – 1700 B.C.
  - Circumcision
  - Three Promises
    - Land
    - Kingdom
    - Worldwide Blessing
- Moses the Law and the Exodus - 1700 – 1280 B.C.
  - Calling of Moses
  - **Yahweh - Name of God**
  - 10 Plagues

**THREEFOLD PROMISE TO ABRAHAM**  
Genesis 12:1-3

**UPGRADED TO COVENANTS**

1. Land Promise  
Genesis 15

2. Kingdom Promise  
Genesis 17

3. Promise of Worldwide Blessing  
Genesis 22

**FULFILLED IN MOSES**  
Mosaic Covenant – Exodus 24

**FULFILLED IN DAVID**  
Davidic Covenant  
2 Samuel 7

**FULFILLED IN JESUS**  
New Covenant in  
Jesus Christ  
Luke 22

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- Exodus to Mt Sinai
  - Water from the Rock
  - **Manna**
  - Quail
- Catechesis given on Mt. Sinai
  - Creation
  - Adam and Eve
  - The Fall
  - Tower of Babel
  - Noah and the Flood



# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- The Torah – (The Law)
  - **10 Commandments (613 rules)**
  - **Three annual feasts**
    - Passover
    - Pentecost
    - Booths
  - Two other feasts
    - Hanukkah
    - Yom Kippur

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- Six day work week - Sunday until sunset on Friday
- **Sabbath** – sunset on Friday until sunset on Saturday
  - **Sacrifices**
  - **The Tabernacle**
- Golden Calf Incident
- Reconnoitering of Promised Land

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- Desert Wandering – 1280 – 1240 B.C.
- Conquest and Judges – 1240 – 1050 B.C.
- Royal Kingdom – 1050 – 930 B.C.
  - Saul/David/Solomon
  - **Psalms (150)**
- Divided Kingdom – 930 – 722 B.C.
  - 20 Kings of Israel
  - 20 Kings of Judah
    - **Prophets**
    - Assyrian assimilation – 722 B.C.
- Exile – 587 – 538 B.C.
  - Babylon captivity - 587
    - Nebuchadnezzar's dream - statue
    - Daniel's dream – 4 beasts
- Return – 538 – 167 B.C.

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- Dynasties
  - Babylonian - 586-338 B.C.
  - Medo-Persian – 338-322 B.C.
  - Greek – 322-63 B.C.
    - Maccabean Revolt – 167 – 0 B.C.
  - Roman – 63 B.C.-330 A.D.

# What a 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew would know and believe (Cont)

- Jewish Covenants with Yahweh
  - Adam – 7<sup>th</sup> day
  - Noah - rainbow
  - Abraham – circumcision
  - Moses – the Law
  - David - throne
- Final and New Covenant
  - Jesus - Eucharist

# Covenantal Structure of Salvation History

## 1. THREE-FOLD PROMISE TO ABRAHAM:

**ABRAHAM**

Gen 12: 1-3

## 2. THREE-FOLD PROMISE UPGRADED TO COVENANTS:

1. Land Promise  
Genesis 15

2. Kingdom Promise  
Genesis 17

3. Promise of Worldwide Blessing  
Genesis 22

## 3. THREE COVENANTS FULFILLED IN MOSES, DAVID & JESUS:

**MOSES**

Mosaic Covenant - Ex 24  
Deuteronomic Covenant  
(with Moses) - Deut 29

**DAVID**

Davidic Covenant  
2 Sam 7

**JESUS**

New Covenant in  
Jesus Christ  
Mark 14

## COVENANT SIGN AND MEDIATOR:

Adam  
(Gen. 1-3)



Noah  
(Gen. 9)



Abraham  
(Gen. 15, 17, 22)



Moses  
(Ex. 24 / Deut. 29)



David  
(II Sam. 7)



Jesus  
(Mk. 14)



## FAMILY FORM:

One Holy  
Couple

One Holy  
Family

One Holy  
Tribe

One Holy  
Nation

One Holy  
Kingdom

One Holy Catholic  
and Apostolic Church

# What was the 1<sup>st</sup> Century Jew waiting for?

- The arrival of the Messiah
- The return of the Ark of the Covenant
- The return of the Glory Cloud to the Temple?