

# Jr. Pastor's Class Study Guide

# Write out the Apostle's Creed:

# How was everything created?

- God spoke and everything was created out of nothing. (see lecture 1 notes)

## Why did God create man?

- God want to share the perfect love of the Trinity. It is out of this perfect love that man is created. (see lecture 1 notes)

## What is the Trinity? What are the names of the persons of the Trinity?

- God in 3 persons of one substance, power and eternity. The names: God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit. (see lecture 1 notes)

#### Who is Jesus?

- Jesus is the Son of God, Jesus was born of the Virgin Mary, and Jesus is both fully man and fully God. Jesus is our Prophet (reveals in the flesh the Word of God), Priest (makes a sacrifice for our sins) and King (ruler of our lives). (see lecture 1 notes)

#### How are you saved from sin?

- Jesus in His life, death and resurrection takes on our sins, destroys sin and death, and satisfies the judgment of God, because of Jesus we are no longer sinners but made righteous before God. In Jesus we receive His righteousness and He receives our sin. So when God looks at us He sees Jesus. So that whoever believes that Jesus is the Son of God and the Lord of their life will have eternal life. We are saved from sin by Jesus, there is nothing we can do to save ourselves. (see lecture 1 notes)

## Will you be resurrected in the body? Explain.

- Yes, because Jesus was resurrected in the body on the third day. In Jesus we will resurrect in Him after we die. (see lecture 1 notes)

#### What is the Church?

- It is the body of Christ. It is the bride of Christ. It is a family. It is where Christians do life together and is fundamental to our identity as Christians. (see lecture 1 notes)

## Explain God's final judgment. Will all people be judged? What will people be judged for?

 When Christ returns all people will be judged and they will be judged based on their actions on earth. Those who are Christians will be saved from judgment because Jesus will be judged in their place while those who are not Christians will experience judgment for their



actions. God judged Jesus so that Christians can be saved. Either Jesus pays for your sin or you pay for your own sin. (see lecture 1 notes)

# What is grace? Give a personal example when you received grace in your life.

- It is unmerited favor. (see lecture 2 notes)

## Who are you in Christ?

- A child of God. (see lecture 2 notes)

# Is the Bible authoritative, inspired, inerrant and infallible?

- Yes. (see lecture 3 notes)

## What does the acronym TULIP stand for?

- T: total depravity (we are dead in our sins); U: unmerited favor (God by His grace chooses to raise us from our death in sin); L: limited atonement (God's sacrifice of Jesus on the cross is sufficient to save all but only saves those who belong to God); I: irresistible grace (God sends his Holy Spirit to convince us of our sin and to open our eyes to the beauty of Jesus); P: preservation of the saints (God will never leave you or abandon you) (see lecture 3 notes)

## What are Seven Rivers Presbyterian Church core values?

- Renewing Grace, Redemptive Community, Relentless Mission (see lecture 3 notes)

#### What is the purpose of the Lord's Supper/Communion?

- The purpose of the supper is to help us remember Christ's sacrificial death, to remind us of the benefits given to us because of it, to spiritually nourish us, and to provide communion with him and each other in anticipation of his return. (see lecture 3 notes)

# Who is the Lord's Supper for?

- The Lord's Supper is only for those who made a public profession of faith in Christ and are able to prepare themselves to take it. (see lecture 3 notes)

# How do you prepare to take the Lord's Supper?

- Preparation includes confessing your sins, reconciling with those who you may have sinned against, and reviewing the state of your faith, repentance, love for God and others. You should consider how Jesus has rescued you from sin and death. You should feel sorrow for your sin. You should long for Jesus and His righteousness. You should remind yourself that you are a child of God and therefore a recipient of His love and grace. (see lecture 3 notes)

#### If you were to die today would you go to Heaven? If so, why?