

STUDENT GUIDE



CONFIRMATION



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(Just in case you lose it)

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A NOTE

Dear Confirmation Class,

We are excited to embark on this journey with you! Confirmation is such an exciting time for the church, but more importantly we hope it is an exciting time for YOU! After all, you're the reason we have Confirmation in the first place. The entire reason Confirmation exists is for you to grow closer to God and become a member of the church. You'll learn so much over these next 10 weeks that will help you do both of those things and you'll create deeper or new friendships with your fellow Confirmands. Are you excited yet?! We hope this Confirmation Journal serves as a guide to all of that information you'll be learning. Feel free to use this to write questions, doodle, take notes...however you see fit. But just to help a little we've added some cool activities too. We love you, we are praying for you, and we will see you soon!

In Christ,

WEEK 1

WHAT IS CONFIRMATION?

IN CONFIRMATION YOU ARE GOING TO LEARN A LOT OF THINGS BUT IT ALL REALLY BOILS DOWN TO ANSWERING THE BIG QUESTION: HOW DO I FOLLOW JESUS? THE ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION IS GOING TO BE STRETCHED OUT OVER THE NEXT 10 WEEKS WHILE WE TELL YOU ALL ABOUT GOD, THE BIBLE, JESUS, JOHN WESLEY, AND SO MUCH MORE!

IN THE END, WE HOPE YOU LEARN THREE THINGS:

1. WHO IS GOD AND HOW IS HE RELEVANT IN MY LIFE?
2. WHO IS JESUS AND HOW IS THAT RELEVANT IN MY LIFE?
3. WHO IS MY CHURCH AND HOW ARE THEY RELEVANT IN MY LIFE?

TODAY WE ASKED 3 BIG QUESTIONS. WHAT ARE YOUR FIRST THOUGHTS/ANSWERS TO THESE QUESTIONS?

QUESTION #1: Who is God and how is He relevant to my life?

QUESTION #2: Who is Jesus and how is He relevant in my life?

QUESTION #3: Who is my Church and how are they relevant in my life?

WEEK 2

BIBLE: OLD TESTAMENT

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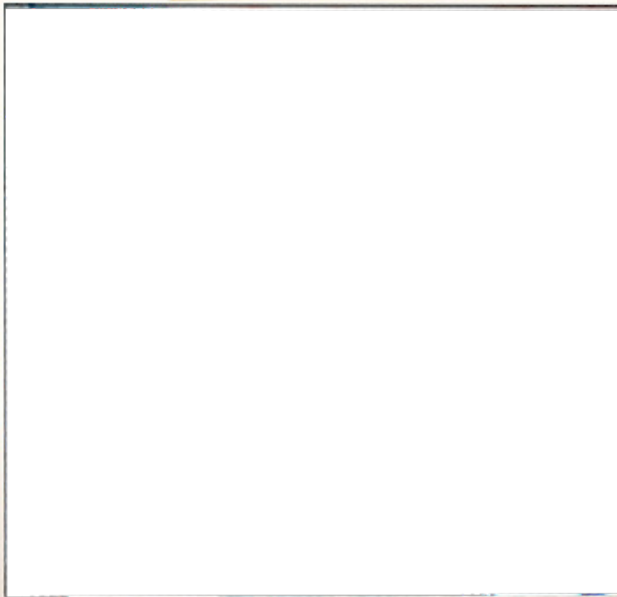
The Bible is one unified story that leads to Jesus, but we don't always treat it that way. At BibleProject, we make animated videos that explore the books and themes of the Bible. Explore all of our free videos and resources by book, theme, or series here.



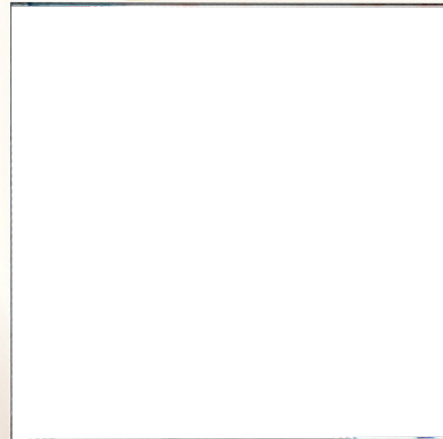
WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE OT?

Log on to bibleproject.com/explore/#series where you'll find a TON of cool videos that explain everything you need to know about the Bible. We highly recommend the "How to Read the Bible" series.

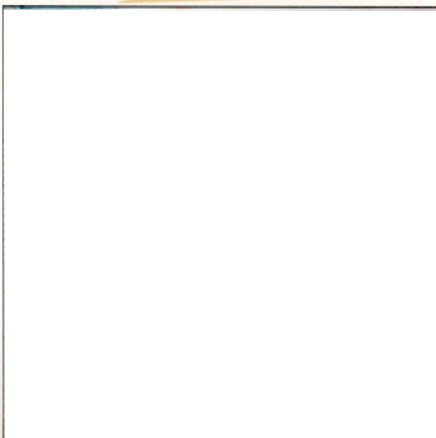
TODAY WE... TALKED ABOUT ALMOST EVERYTHING YOU COULD EVER WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE OLD TESTAMENT (THAT'S THE FRONT HALF) OF THE BIBLE. WE DIDNT EVEN SCRATCH THE SURFACE! READ EACH STORY FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT THEN ILLUSTRATE IT!



**NOAH AND THE ARK
GENESIS 6-9**



**ABRAHAM + ISAAC
GENESIS 22**



**MOSES PARTS THE RED SEA
EXODUS 14:21**



**THE WALLS OF JERICHO FALL
JOSHUA 6:1-27**

WEEK 3

BIBLE: NEW TESTAMENT

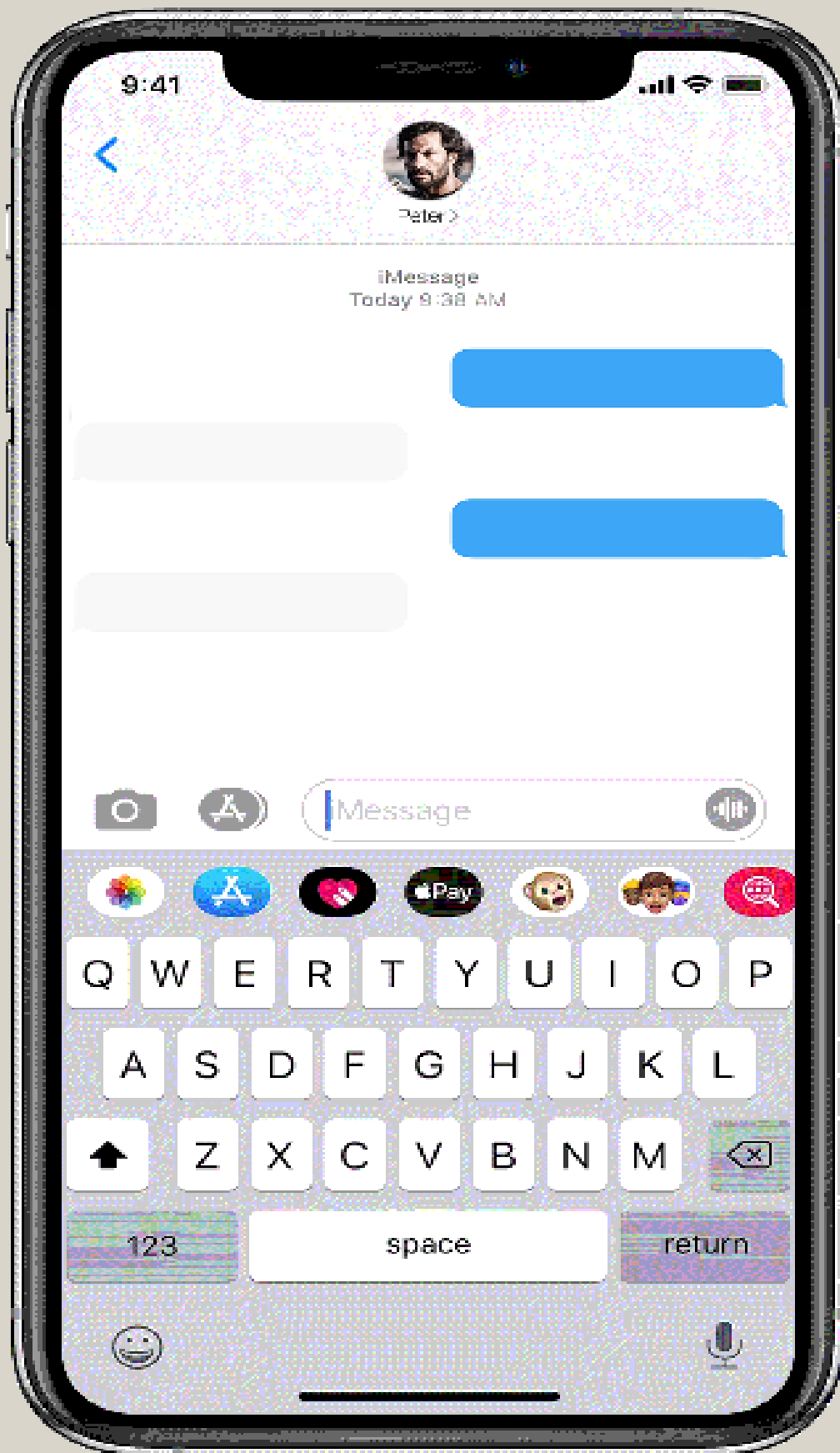
TODAY YOU LEARNED ALL ABOUT THE NEW TESTAMENT. NOW, ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND DO THE ACTIVITY ON THE NEXT PAGE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU LEARNED

QUESTION #1: What's something new you learned about the Bible this week?

QUESTION #2: What's a question you still have about the Bible?

HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH PETER

Have you ever wondered what was going through Peter's head when he was following Jesus? Why did you fall in the water? Why did you ask so many questions? Why did you deny Jesus THREE TIMES?! Go ahead and create your own conversation with Peter!



WEEK 4

JESUS

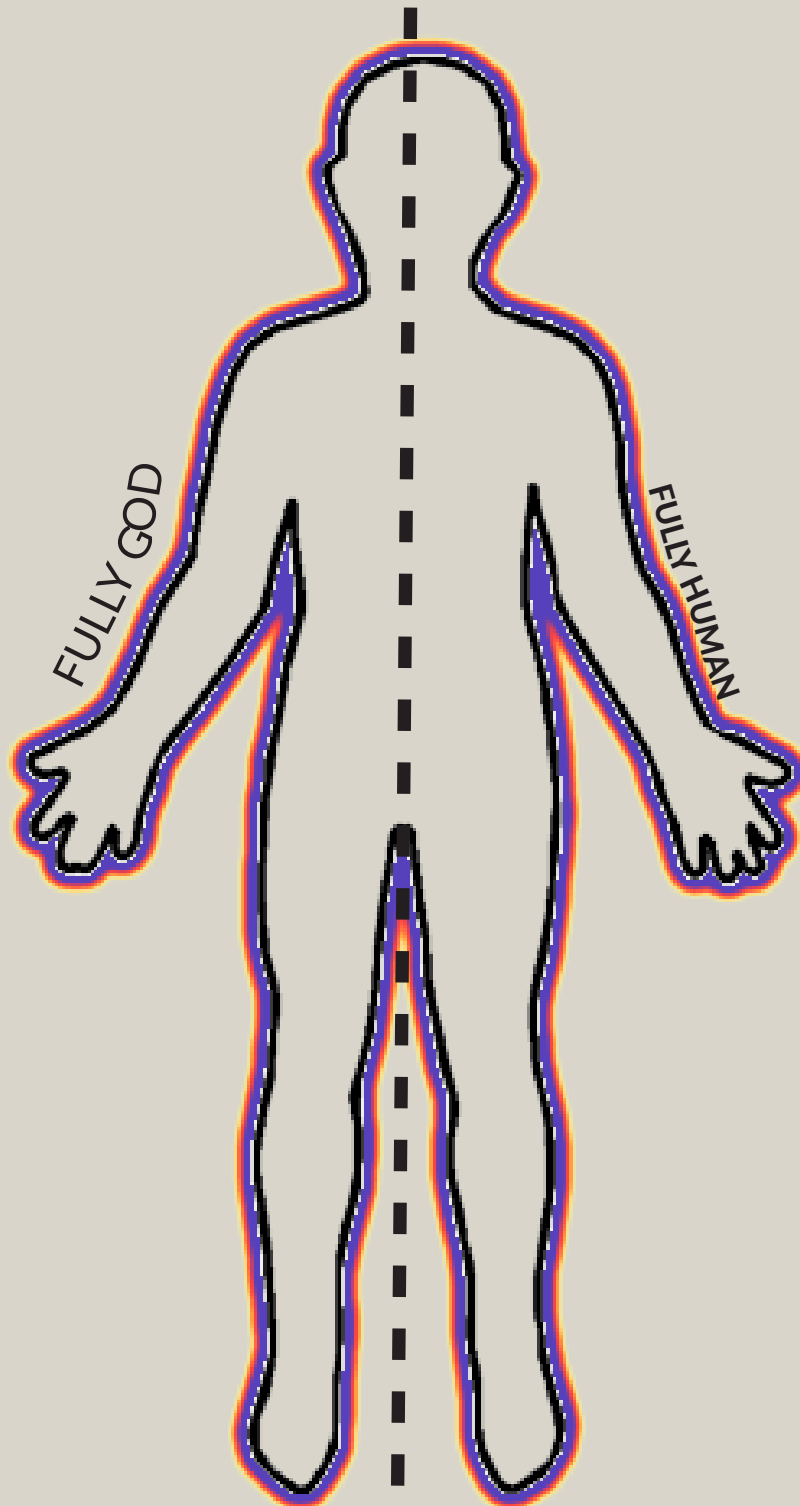
NOW THAT YOU'VE LEARNED ABOUT JESUS OF NAZARETH,
TAKE SOME TIME TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW:

QUESTION #1: WHAT'S SOMETHING NEW YOU LEARNED ABOUT JESUS THIS WEEK?

QUESTION #2: WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU STILL HAVE ABOUT JESUS?

BELOW IS YOUR BASIC HUMAN BODY. JESUS HAD A HUMAN BODY BUT HE WAS ALSO FULLY GOD. IN TODAY'S LESSON YOU LEARNED CHARACTERISTICS OF JESUS. ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE DOTTED LINE LIST ALL OF THE THINGS THAT MADE JESUS DIVINE OR GOD-LIKE. ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE LINE LIST ALL OF THE THINGS THAT MADE JESUS HUMAN. HOW MANY CAN YOU THINK OF?!

JESUS:



WEEK 5

THE EARLY CHURCH

THE EARLY CHURCH MODELED MUCH OF HOW WE DO CHURCH TODAY. THROUGH PEOPLE LIKE PETER, JOHN, PAUL, AND COUNTLESS OTHERS WE HAVE CHURCH!

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE THAT YOU WOULD WANT TO HAVE DINNER WITH. WHAT QUESTIONS WOULD YOU ASK THEM ABOUT THE EARLY CHURCH?

MARY, MOTHER OF JESUS

PAUL

LYDIA

JOHN

JULIUS THE CENTURION

PRISCILLA

STEPHEN

MARY, MOTHER OF JOHN MARK

JAMES,

[DOODLE HERE WHEN YOU FEEL LIKE DOODLING]



DINNER

Dear _____

I want to invite you to have dinner with me! I have some questions that I would like for you to answer while we eat:

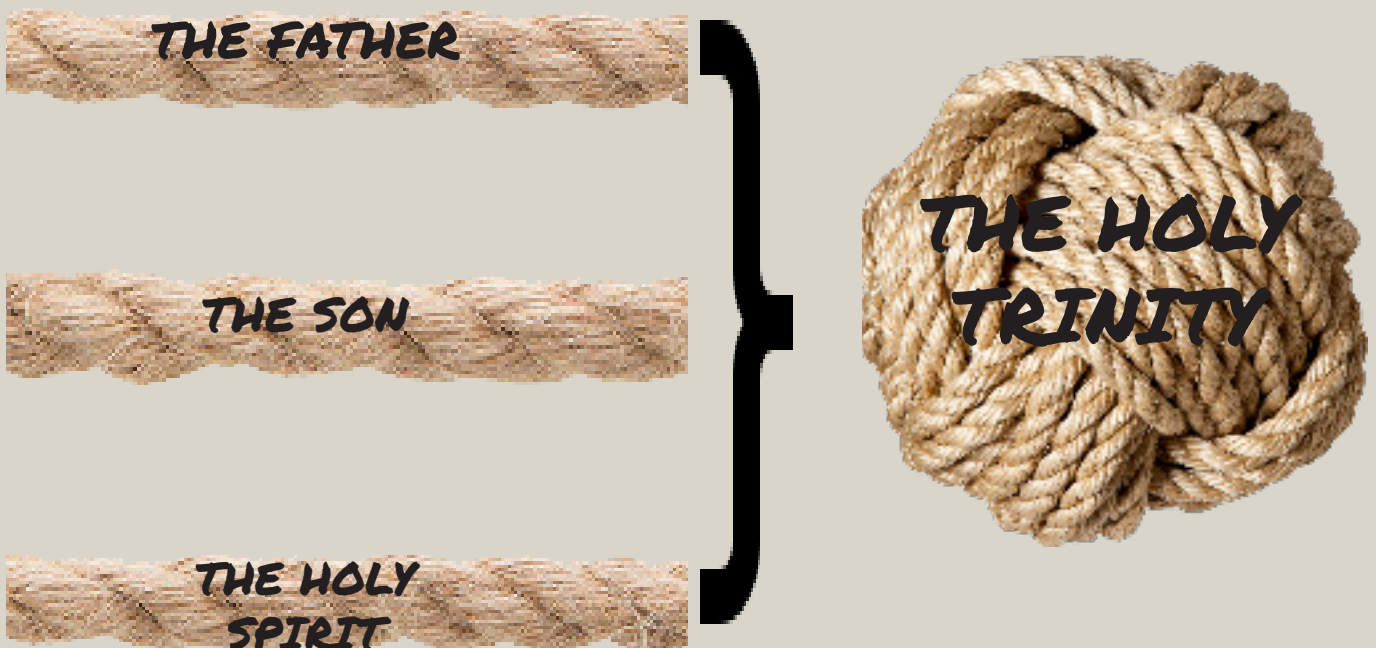
- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Sincerely,

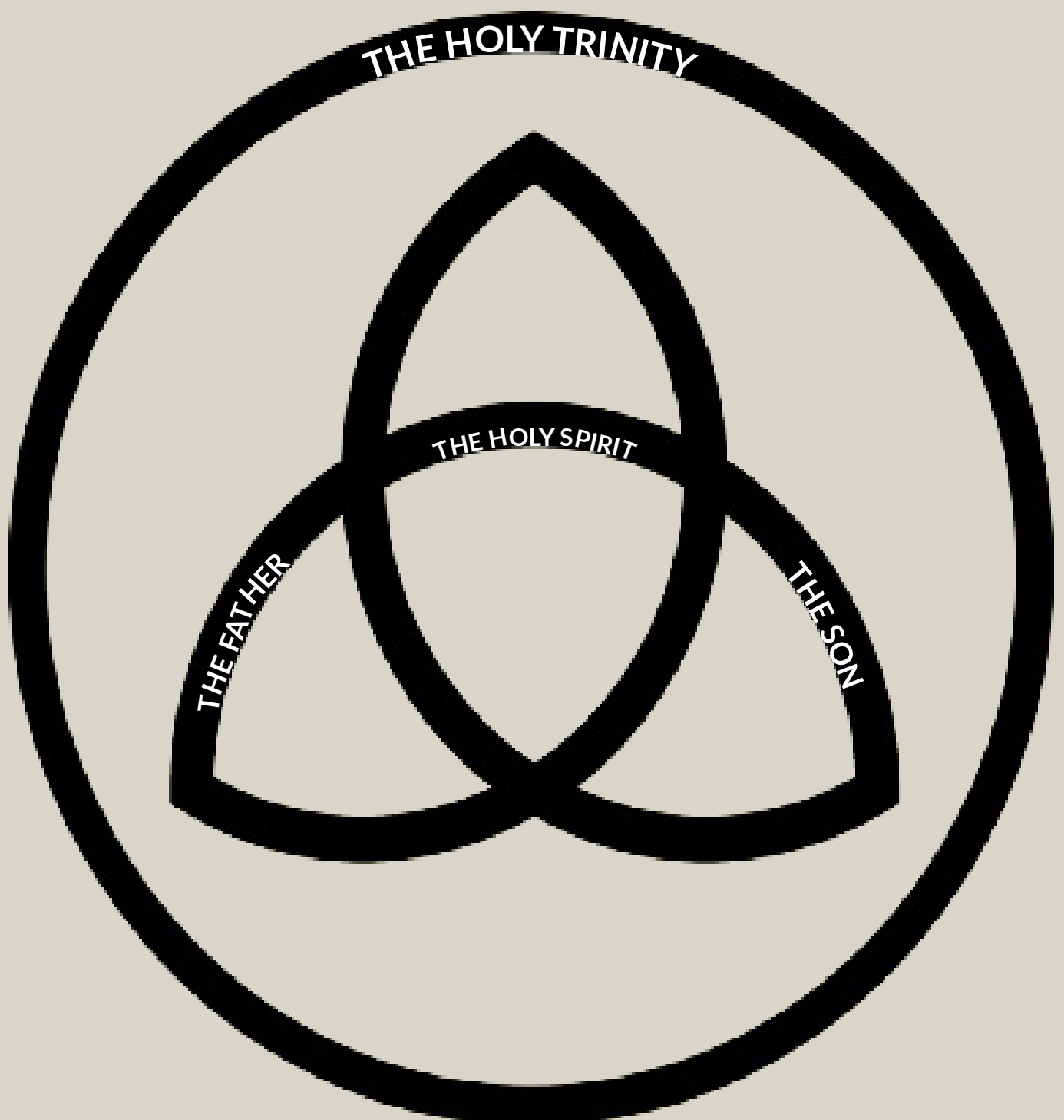
WEEK 6

THE HOLY TRINITY

The Holy Trinity is made up of those 3 very distinct parts: The Father (AKA God), The Son (AKA Jesus), and the Holy Spirit (AKA...The Holy Spirit). Think of it like this: you have 3 different pieces of rope. Before you do anything with them, they are just 3 different pieces of rope. But what if you braided them together? Now instead of 3 pieces of rope...they're one single braid. It's not 3 different braids, but 1 braid made up of 3 different ropes.

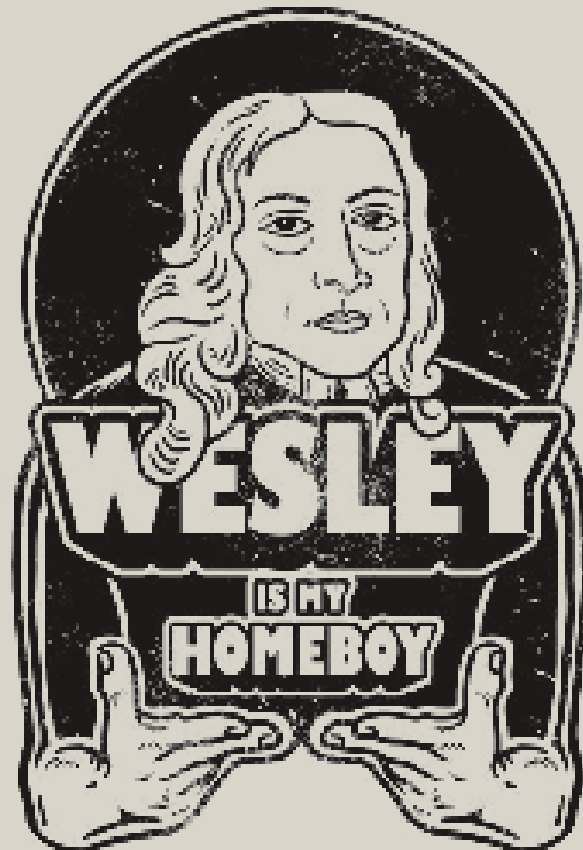


TODAY WE LEARNED ABOUT THE 3 PARTS THAT MAKE UP THE HOLY TRINITY. USE THE SYMBOL BELOW TO WRITE WHAT YOU REMEMBER ABOUT TODAY'S LESSON. IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SYMBOL WRITE WHAT YOU THINK THE HOLY TRINITY IS. WHEN THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT ALL COME TOGETHER...WHAT HAPPENS?



WEEK 7

JOHN WESLEY & THE METHODISTS



DO YOU REMEMBER THE 3 GRACES AND MOMENTS FROM TODAY'S LESSON? TRY TO RECALL THEM AS BEST YOU CAN! (HINT: MOMENTS CAN BE DESCRIBED USING ONE WORD OR PLACE!)

THE 3 GRACES

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

THE 3 MOMENTS

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Dear John,

I've recently learned a few things about you and the Methodist Church. Those things are:

1.

2.

3.

After learning these things I still have a few questions about you and Methodism:

1.

2.

3.

WEEK 8

MY CHURCH

ADD A TIMELINE OF YOUR CHURCH HERE:

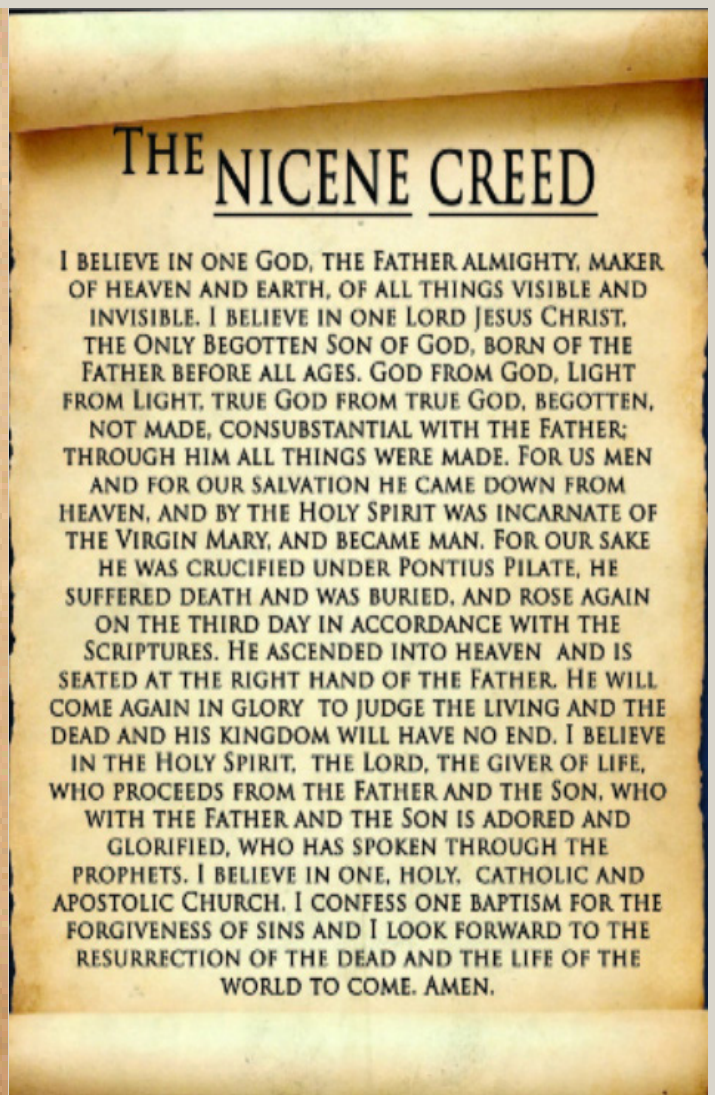
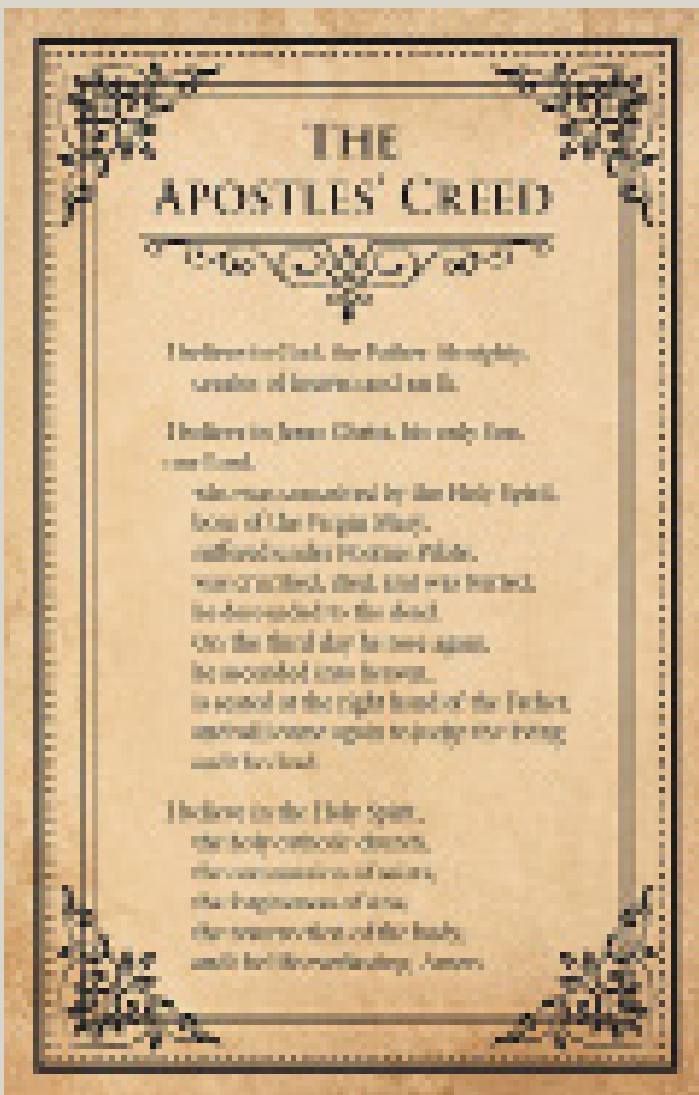
Add Pictures from your Church over the years here:

Did you learn anything new today about FUMC Baton Rouge? If not, what's your favorite thing about your church family? Take a moment to reflect:

WEEK 9

MY FAITH

Today you learned... that faith is personal. Sure, it's all about the same thing, but faith looks different for every single person. What causes you to believe what you believe? What's your reasoning? What makes it personal for YOU? Below you'll find some of the Creeds we talked about in today's lesson. Read them again and find out how these creeds describe someone's faith. Then take some time and write a creed of your own. Make it personal. Make it YOURS!



Your Turn! Use the space provided to write your own Creed. Remember, make it personal to YOU! What do you believe? What does your faith look like?



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NOTES



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