



# YES, LORD, I Believe

**A Sing-Along Celebration of the Creed**



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# Yes, Lord, I Believe

Do you believe in God the Father?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Who made the earth and everything,

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Chorus

**I believe in God the Father,**

**I believe in God the Son,**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**

**And the strength that makes us one.**

**I believe that Mother Mary**

**Is the Mother of God's Son.**

**I believe; I do believe!**

Do you believe that Jesus died?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

He died for us so we could live.

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Do you believe he rose again?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

He's seated now at God's right hand.

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

The catholic Church and communion of saints,

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

Do you believe in God's forgiveness?

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

That we will rise to life again,

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

**This is our Faith,**

**Which we profess,**

**Yes, Lord, I believe!**

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## About the Song

I wrote this song to support my own students in their learning and understanding of the Creed. As a religious educator, my aim was to create an educational, engaging and intergenerational song. I never anticipated the song's powerful two-fold impact: First, the students were continually singing it and joining in with each other, and secondly, within a few days, all students were able to articulate and recall the Creed. The song, with its call-and-response format, has become a valuable catechetical resource for all ages.

— *John Burland*



# I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

**A**s we open our eyes in the morning of each new day, we see the wonder and awe of God's Creation, a world created for us in love by our Father, the almighty creator of heaven and earth. A Father who loves us unconditionally and wants us to share in the fullness of life.

In the beauty of the world, the joy of relationships and even the challenges of each day, we know that God the Father is ever present. We acknowledge and praise God as all-powerful, all-loving, the Creator of heaven and earth with his unending power and authority. God is the ultimate source of all existence.

Being so loved and chosen to share in the gifts of God the Father, we reflect on the grandeur and complexity of the universe, reminding us of our humble place within it.

## Reflection questions

When or where do you feel the wonder and awe of God?

Is there a particular place where you are overwhelmed with the beauty of God's Creation?

## Prayer

*Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth*, we thank you for the wonder and awe that surrounds us each day. We praise you, Lord, for the gift of life, and endless love, that you share with us. Amen.

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## and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

**G**od the Father loved the world so much that he sent his only Son, Jesus, to us. Jesus Christ, Son of God, is the light who came into the world to show us the way to the Father.

Through Jesus, we come to know how to grow in unity with the Father. Jesus informs us, “I am the way and the truth and the life” (John 14:6). It is by following Jesus and living in his way that we truly come to know the Father and his great love for us.

In the Gospels, we can discover the person of Jesus and his call to each of us to be his true followers. By his example, Jesus showed us how to follow in his ways so we can one day enter the Kingdom of God.

### Reflection questions

In what ways are we called to follow Jesus?

How did Jesus show us, and the people he met, the face of God?

### Prayer

**Jesus Christ, Son of God**, you are the way, the truth and the life that leads us to the Father. Walk with us always as we follow in your way on this journey of faith. Amen.

# who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

**J**esus' conception and birth were special and miraculous events that took place by the power of the Holy Spirit.

A young woman, Mary, was chosen by God from all women to be the mother of God's Son, Jesus. When the angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and asked her to be the mother of God's Son, she immediately answered, "May it be done to me according to you Word," without hesitation (Luke 1:38). Her faithfulness and trust in God and his plan were immediate. She joyfully proclaimed that she was the servant of the Lord who was fully accepting of God's will.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Mary, a virgin, conceived and gave birth to God's Son, Jesus.

Today, Mary is a model for each of us as a person of faith who willingly accepted God's call and said "yes" to God.

## Reflection questions

How can we strive to be more like Mary in our own lives?

How can we listen and respond when God calls to us?

## Prayer

**Lord God, help us** to listen and respond to your call. Strengthen us to be faithful disciples like Mary, the Mother of Jesus, to give our trust and our "yes" to you. Amen.

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International singer-songwriter John Burland just also happens to be a popular religious educator. His popular song “Yes, Lord, I Believe” has taught thousands of students the Apostles’ Creed while singing their way to learning the Twelve Articles of Faith. In this first-ever booklet from the composer, Burland offers short reflections on the Creed with links to the song. Useful for at-home family learning, classroom settings or retreats, this booklet is a valuable resource to be enjoyed by many!

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