



The Creed: What “We Believe” and Why We Believe It

Article I: God as Father and Maker

Introductory Remarks

- **Brief review of last week's class**
- **Attempt to speak about God:
human limitations**
- **Tasks of theology**

The God Faith and Revelation

- **Different kind of deity?**
- **God as revealed: Father**
- **Context of revelation: God of the Covenant**

Creation and the Bible

- **Biblical accounts of Creation**
- **Ancient polytheism**
- **Challenges to Christian view of creation: Gnosticism**
- **St. Irenaeus and the defense of Catholic faith**
- **Creation and science**

A Christian view of Creation

- **Our origins in God**
- **Creation of man and woman**
- **Creation and salvation**
- **Christian view of the physical world**

Practical Application for Christian Living

- **Creation and beauty**
- **Creation as an ongoing reality**
- **Creation and the experience of prayer**



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