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## The First Article of the Apostle's Creed

## God As Our Father

• What do these verses tell us God intends to do for us when we pray to him?

<u>Galatians 3:26</u> You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

Who alone can truly call God their Father?

Why a son and not a daughter? God isn't leaving remales out here. Instead the picture is of a son inheriting everything that the father has. In Bible times only the sons inherited their father's Possession. The daughter married into their husbands Possessions. That way things stayed within the family. So think in terms of

**Romans 8:15** For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by Him we cry, "Abba, Father."

<u>Hebrews 4:16</u> Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

According to the above verses, what are two reasons Jesus teaches us to call God our "Father"?

<u>James 5:16</u> Pray for each other so that you may be healed.

What's another reason Jesus teaches to call Father?

Read Luke 11:11-13

• List at least five ways that our Heavenly Father is better than an earthly father.

• Underline the phrase "give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him." In the margin next to that phrase write, "See Matthew 6:33." In that verse Jesus says, "Seek first [God's] kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." How are Matthew 6:33 and Luke 11:13 related?

Using Your Catechism for Questions 334-336, answer the following questions.

**TRUE OR FALSE** Place a T in front of the true statements and an F in front of the false statements.

1.We cannot call God our Father unless we trust his Son to be our Savior.

2. The phrase "Our Father in heaven" is called the Address of the Lord's Prayer because that is how Christians can address God.

**SEARCH THE WORD** Answer these questions after reading the passages.

1. Why should we pray to God, our heavenly Father? James 1:17,18

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Genesis 18:16-33 is a beautiful example of how confidently a believer can pray to our Father in heaven.

4. I don't pray very often at all. I'm afraid to bother God with my ideas just like it always happens at home.

### Read these verses and answer the following questions.

- 1. When and for whom should we pray?
- 2. How often may we pray?
- 3. Does God answer prayer?

WHAT'S WRONG HERE? Tell what is wrong with each statement. Then correct the statement in your own words.

- 1. I wouldn't ask my dad for a dime! He'd probably want me to take out the garbage for a week just to pay him back.
- 2. God is just like every other father. Never around when you need him and always telling you what to do without ever listening to your problems.

3. God never answers my prayers. Maybe I'm not really one of his children.

### **For Next Time:**

Complete this review guide

#### Memorize:

The Address to the Lord's Prayer and What Does This mean? (pg 283)