

*Where can I go
from your spirit?*

*** even here**

*Where can I flee
from your presence?*

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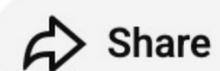
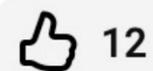


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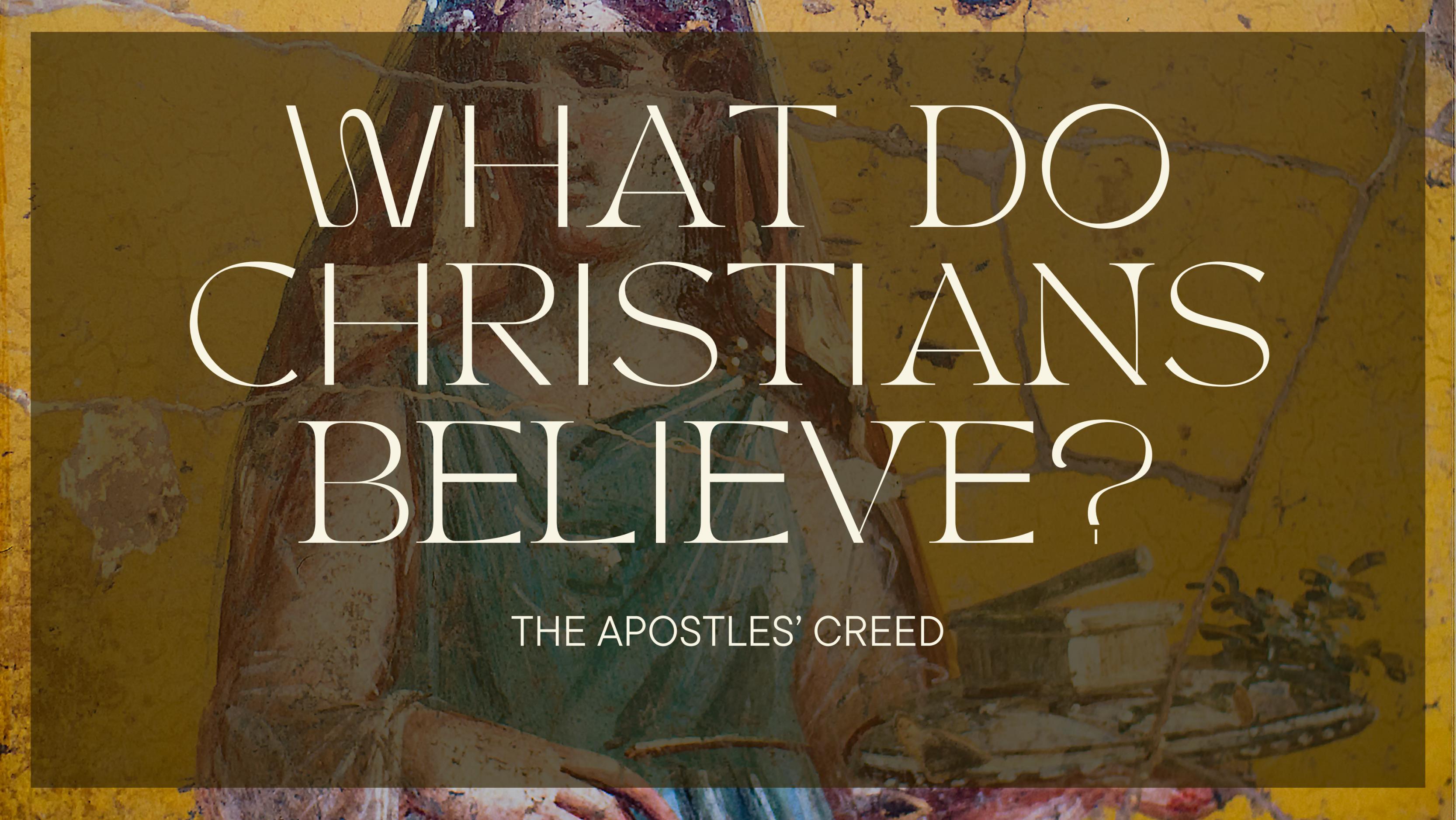


THE TRINITY

God eternally exists as one essence and three distinct persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Each person is fully God, yet there is ONE God.

The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

1. The Father INITIATES salvation
2. The Son ACCOMPLISHES salvation
3. The Spirit APPLIES salvation



WHAT DO CHRISTIANS BELIEVE?

THE APOSTLES' CREED

"CREED"

A public statement of faith that a group of people affirms together

From Latin: *Credo* – "I believe"

GNOSTICS

Taught that the physical world is evil and corrupt, and that through attaining hidden knowledge, we can find freedom from this physical evil world.

MARCION



The Apostles' Creed is a
summary of the core beliefs of
the Christian faith

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of Heaven and Earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;

THE APOSTLES' CREED

He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic = *universal*

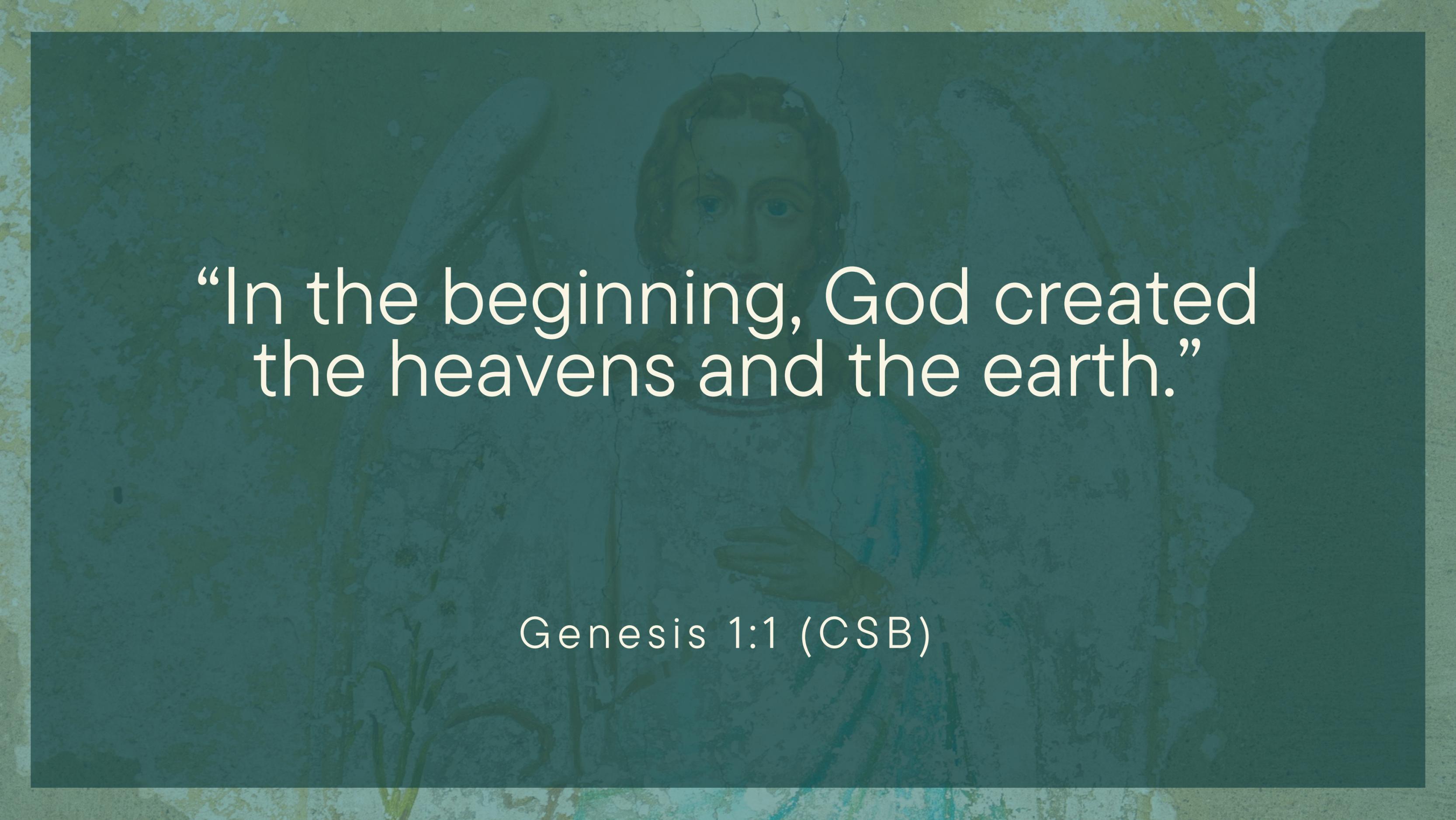
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Part 2: God the Father, Almighty Creator

OUTLINE

1. BIBLICAL FOUNDATIONS
 - a. Genesis 1:1, 26-31
2. WHY IT MATTERS

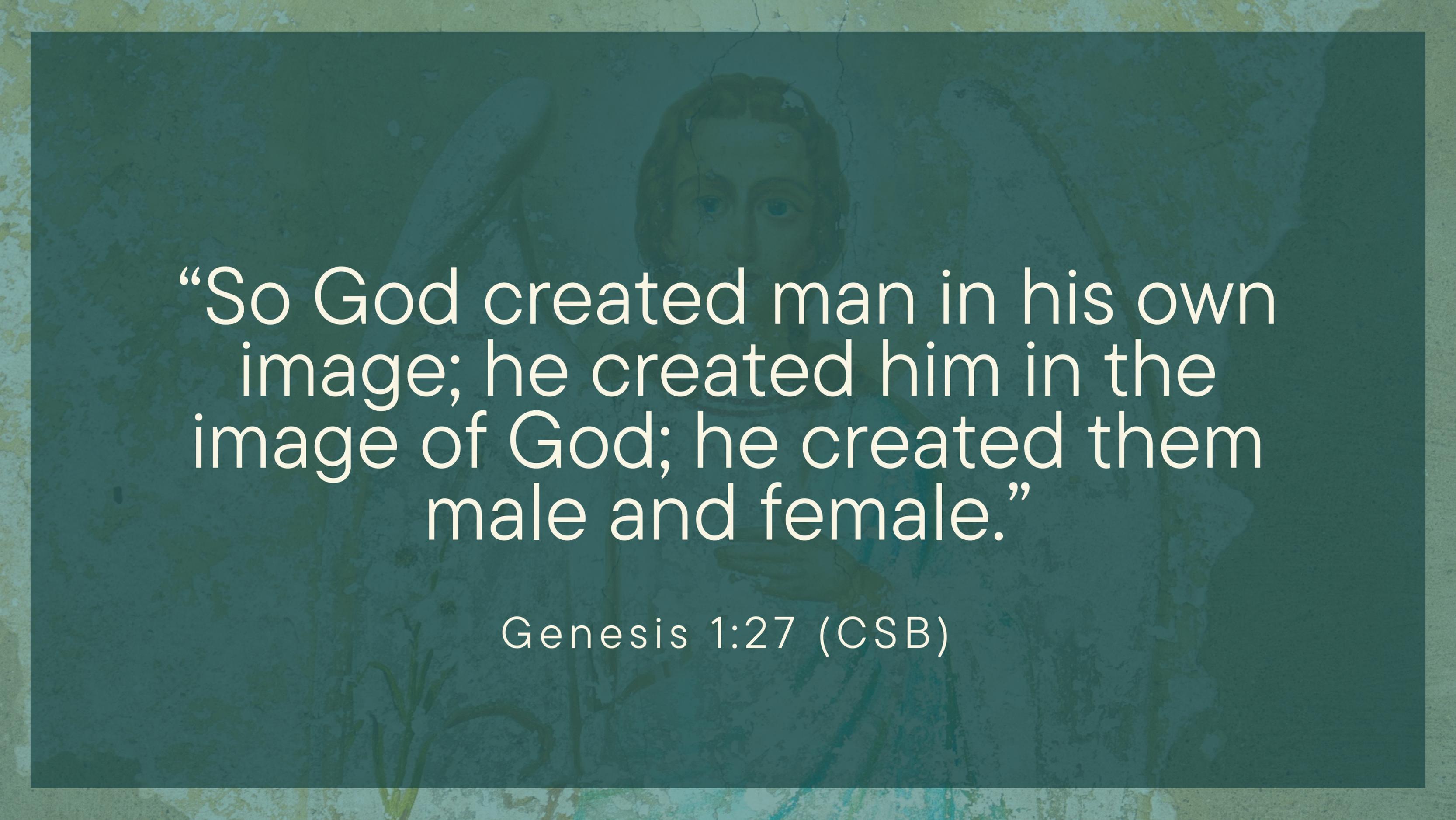


“In the beginning, God created
the heavens and the earth.”

Genesis 1:1 (CSB)

What do we learn about God?

1. He is eternal – existence and creation begin with God, the UNcreated One. God has always existed and will always exist
2. HE created everything – creation is not a cosmic accident
3. He is omnipotent – “all powerful”
4. He is independent from creation – He created out of an overflow, not a lack.



“So God created man in his own
image; he created him in the
image of God; he created them
male and female.”

Genesis 1:27 (CSB)

Uniqueness of humanity

1. We are the only part of creation to be made IN GOD'S IMAGE, according to His likeness!
2. God personally formed us and breathed life into us

Why Does This Matter?

1. The physical world is GOOD
 - a) You need in-person relationships with other people
 - b) Your physical body is good and God *intentionally* made you male or female
 - c) Heaven will not just be a *spiritual* place, but a *physical* place as well.

Why Does This Matter?

2. We are not a cosmic accident, but have been wisely and intentionally created by a Creator God.
3. You should treat other people with dignity and respect, no matter who they are or what they've done, because they bear God's image.