

We Believe

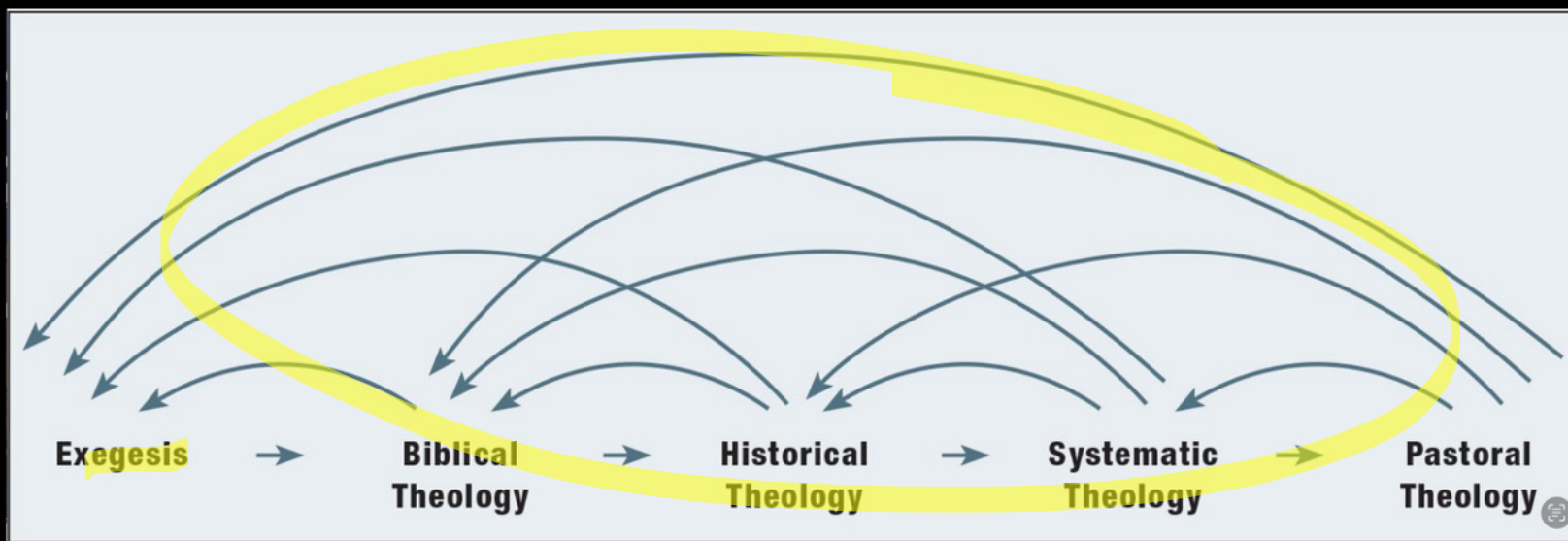
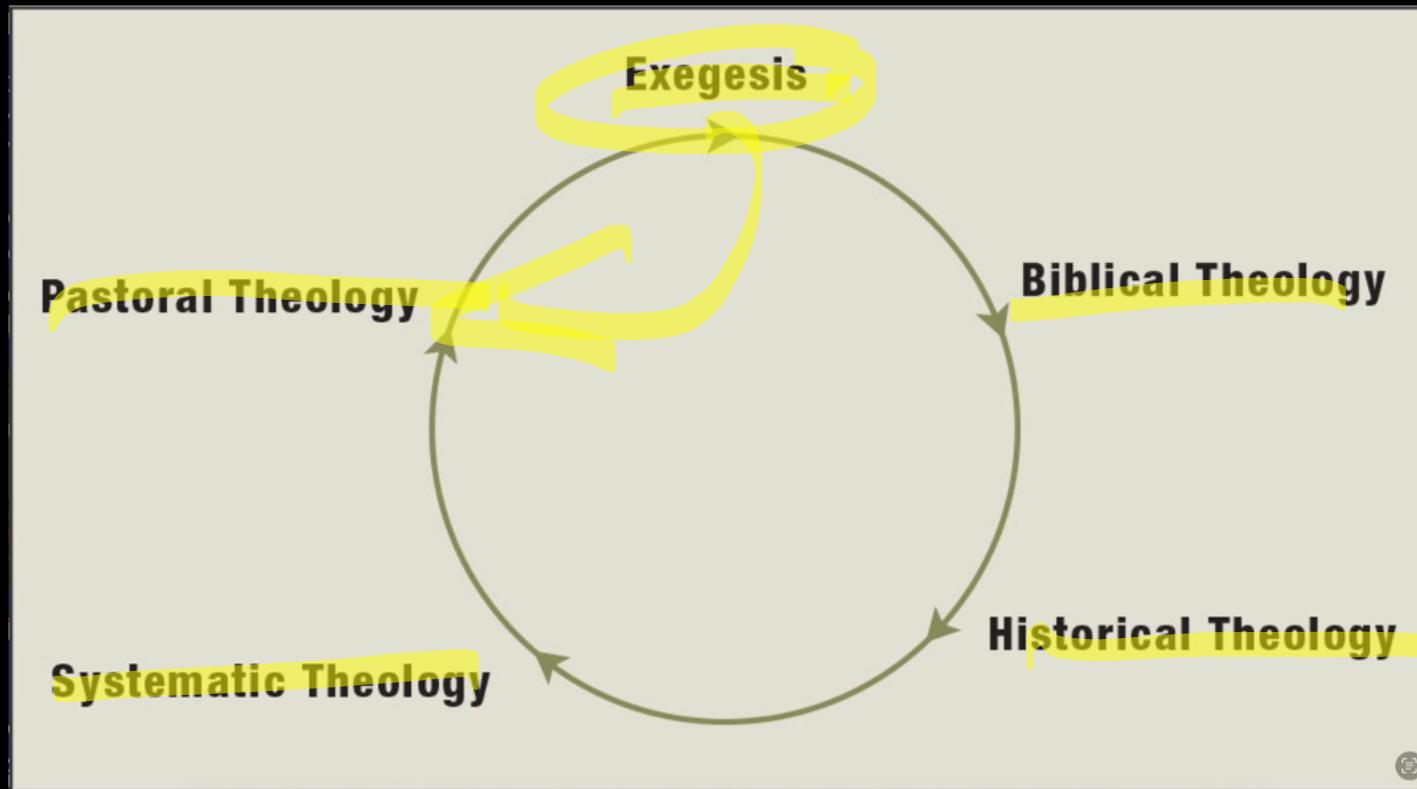
**Studies in the
Nicene Creed**

THE CRISP CREDO™

WE BELIEVE THAT NOURISHING YOUR HEALTHY LIFESTYLE GOES BEYOND THE KITCHEN. WE ARE DEVOTED TO DELIVERING AN EXCEPTIONALLY CRISP EXPERIENCE TO OUR GUESTS, NOT JUST WITH OUR CHEF-CRAFTED & SCRATCH-MADE MENU, BUT ALSO THROUGH OUR HIGH STANDARD OF SERVICE, OUR BELIEF IN BEING 100% AUTHENTIC, & OUR PASSIONATE COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITY.

GOD

Creation



We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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In One God

1) **What is a Creed?**

Orthodoxy

Orthopraxy

Orthocardia

“Listen, Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. These words that I am giving you today are to be in your heart. Repeat them to your children. Talk about them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Bind them as a sign on your hand and let them be a symbol on your forehead. Write them on the doorposts of your house and on your city gates.

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

For I passed on to you as most important what I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve.

1 Corinthians 15:3-5

And most certainly, the mystery of godliness is great:

He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated in the Spirit,
seen by angels,
preached among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.

1 Timothy 3:16

If you confess with your mouth, “**Jesus is Lord,**” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

- 1) **What is a Creed?**
- 2) **Why Study a Creed?**

We follow the teachings and example of Jesus Christ and honor him as our Savior and as the Son of God. (Matthew 20:28; Acts 5:31) Thus, we are Christians. (Acts 11:26) However, we have learned from the Bible that Jesus is not Almighty God and that there is no Scriptural basis for the Trinity doctrine.—John 14:28.

Jehovah's Witness

Latter-day Saints also believe strongly in the fundamental unity of the divine. They believe that God the Father, Jesus Christ the Son, and the Holy Ghost, though distinct beings, are unified in purpose and doctrine.

Mormons

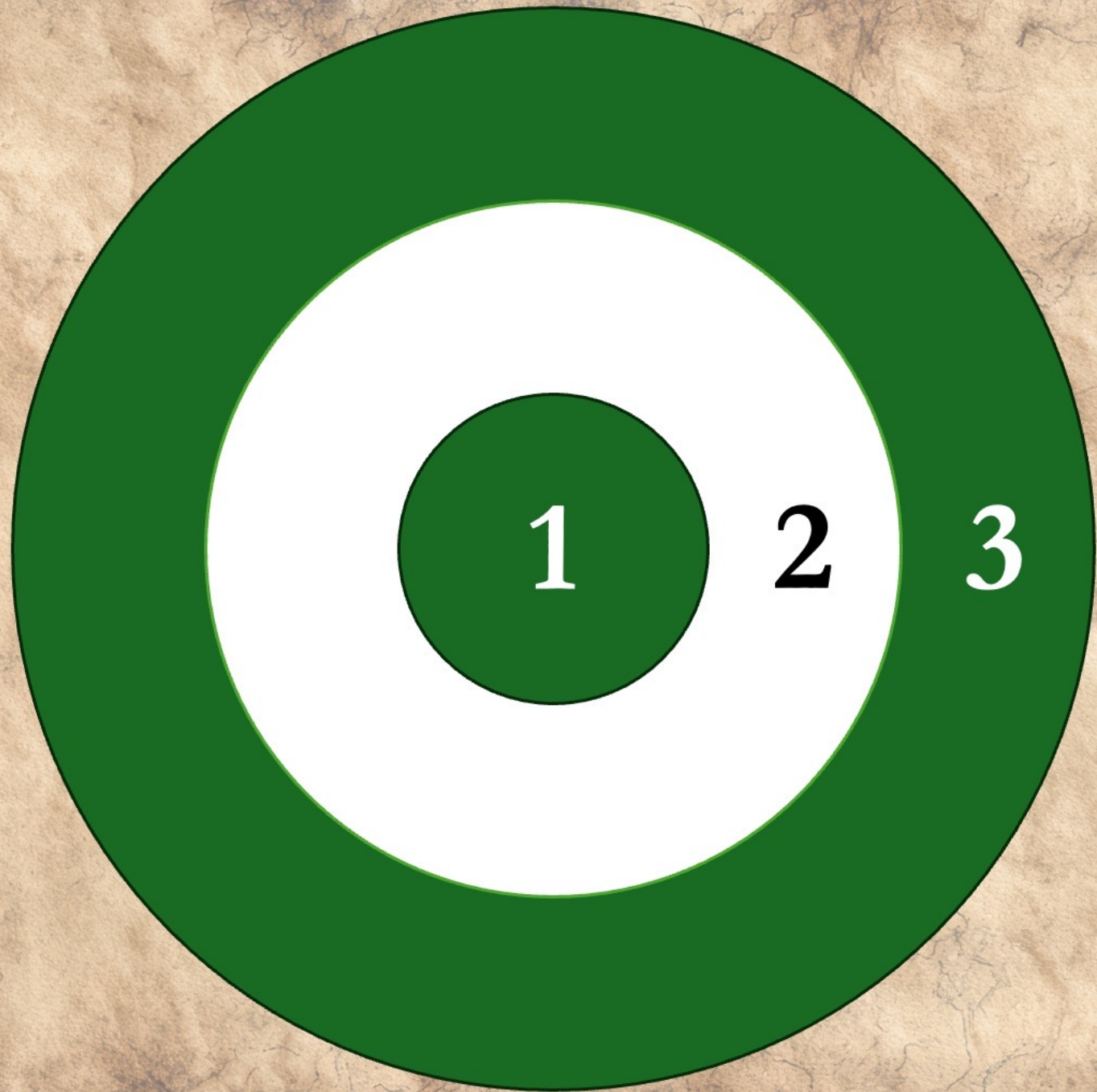
“God himself was once as we are now, and is an exalted man, and sits enthroned in yonder heavens!”

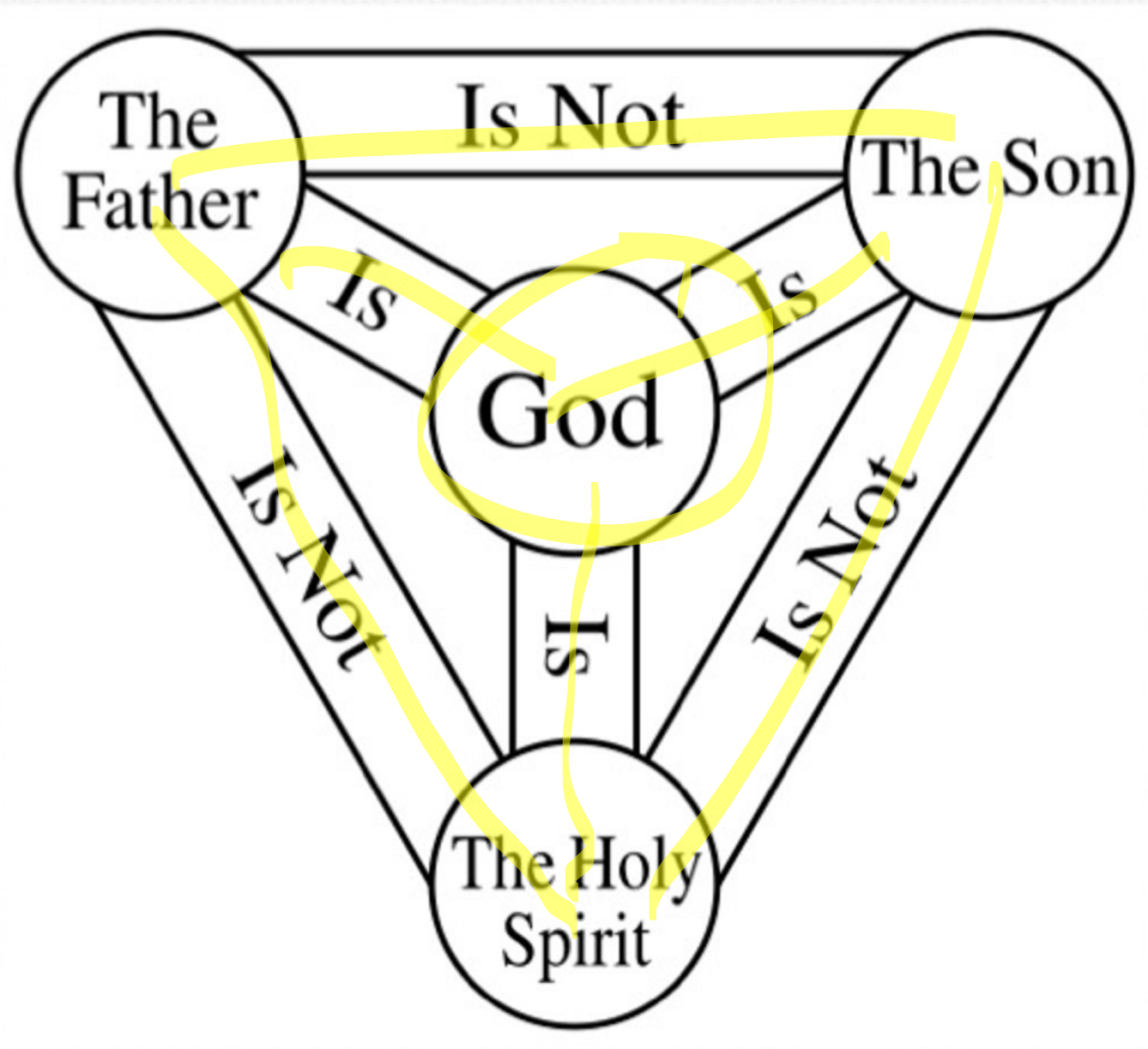
(God) “was once a man like us; yea, that God himself, the Father of us all, dwelt on an earth.”

“The Father has a body of flesh and bones as tangible as man’s”

Joseph Smith

There is one God, who has revealed Himself as Father; through His Son, in redemption; and as the Holy Spirit, by emanation. Jesus Christ is God manifested in flesh. He is both God and man. (See Deuteronomy 6:4; Ephesians 4:4-6; Colossians 2:9; I Timothy 3:16.)





**For God so loved the world that He gave His only
begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should
not perish but have everlasting life.**

John 3:16 (NKJV)

“There was a time when the Son was not.”

Arius

325 AD



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FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



CONVENED BY CONSTANTINE THE GREAT

MAY



AUGUST



HOSIUS OF CORDUBA (MOST LIKELY) PRESIDED OVER THE COUNCIL

WHAT THE COUNCIL *DID NOT* ADDRESS

THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

INVENTING THE DEITY OF CHRIST

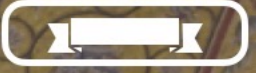
CREATION OF THE TRINITY

SUPPRESSION OF WOMEN

REINCARNATION

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TRADITIONALLY THOUGHT TO BE IN ATTENDANCE



FORMED THE ORIGINAL NICENE CREED, 20 CANONS, AND A SYNODAL EPISTLE

THE COUNCIL OF NICAEEA HAD ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THE CHOOSING OF THE BOOKS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

WHAT THE COUNCIL *DID* ADDRESS

ARIANISM

Nicaea's main purpose was to sort out the *Arian Controversy*, a Trinitarian view teaching not only that the Son of God was eternally subordinate to the Father, but that the Son was not everlasting but was created by the Father at a specific point in time.

DATE OF EASTER

A secondary issue of the council concerned a definitive date on the celebration of Easter.

ARIUS

Presbyter in Alexandria (256-336 AD)

"The Son, being begotten apart from time by the Father, and being created and founded before ages, did not exist before his generation... the Son is not eternal or co-equal or co-unoriginate with the Father."

Arias, Letter to Alexandria 4:458

“We recognize them . . . by the repetition of their eternal order, which we can indicate propositionally: from the Father, through the Son, in the Spirit. From, through, in. Inserting this from-through-in dynamic into each act of God may seem like an unnecessary complication when all you want to say is that God did something, but it’s actually very helpful. It calls back to mind that everything God does happens from the Father, through the Son, and in the Spirit.”

Fred Sanders

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- 2) Why Study a Creed?
- 3) God is One

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Deuteronomy 6:4

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