

Welcome

Worship Songs

*"God Is Able"*

*"For the Glory of the Cross"*

Prayer

Scripture for Today

*John 19:1-4; 15-18; Isaiah 53:3-12 (NIV)*

Message

*"Creed: 'X' Marks the Spot"*

*Jack D. Cohen*

Offering/Worship Song

*"Be Still"*

\*Closing

# Creed

KNOWING FULLY WHAT WE BELIEVE IN



## THE CREED

## “X” MARKS THE SPOT

“I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; and 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 to hell); the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sits (sitteth) at the right hand of the Father Almighty; from whence he shall come to judge the (quick) 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”

*“Then the Jewish leaders took Jesus from Caiaphas to the palace of the Roman governor. By now it was early morning, and to avoid ceremonial uncleanness they did not enter the palace, because they wanted to be able to eat the Passover. So Pilate came out to them and asked, “What charges are you bringing against this man?” “If he were not a criminal,” they replied, “we would not have handed him over to you.” Pilate said, “Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law.” “But we have no right to execute anyone,” they objected. ... Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.” “What is truth?” retorted Pilate...Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. The soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They clothed him in a purple robe and went up to him again and again, saying, “Hail, king of the Jews!” And they slapped him in the face. Once more Pilate came out and said to the Jews gathered there, “Look, I am bringing him out to you to let you know that I find no basis for a charge against him.” When Jesus came out wearing the crown of thorns and the purple robe, Pilate said to them, “Here is the man!” As soon as the chief priests and their officials saw him, they shouted, “Crucify! Crucify!”... “Don’t you realize I have power either to free you or to crucify you?” Jesus answered, “You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above. Therefore, the one who handed me over to you is guilty of a greater sin.” From then on, Pilate tried to set Jesus free, but the Jewish leaders kept shouting, “If you let this man go, you are no friend of Caesar. Anyone who claims to be a king opposes Caesar.” When Pilate heard this, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judge’s seat at a place known as the Stone Pavement (which in Aramaic is Gabbatha). It was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about noon. “Here is your king,” Pilate said to the Jews. But they shouted, “Take him away! Take him away! Crucify him!” “Shall I crucify your king?” Pilate asked. “We have no king but Caesar,” the chief priests answered. Finally, Pilate handed him over to them to be crucified.”* – John 18:28-19:16

### 1) Jesus’ death on the cross \_\_\_\_\_ to God

*“We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”* – Isaiah 53:6

- Enemy of God with \_\_\_\_\_
- Enemy of God by using \_\_\_\_\_ religion

### 2) Jesus’ death on the cross \_\_\_\_\_ the church [\_\_\_\_\_ a people]

*“Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.”* – Acts 20:28

*“Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”* – 1 Peter 2:10

## CREED VIEW

### 1) Symmetry

### 2) Clarity

### 3) Community

### 4) Counsel/advice

*“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”* – Hebrews 12:1-2