



# Lord I Believe

A 12 part series defending the Nicene Creed in its 1700th anniversary year with John Twisleton

In these programmes Canon John Twisleton explains the articles of the Nicene Creed and engages with objections to them drawing on scripture and the teaching of the saints

## **Programme 1 God the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth**

Affirming biblical faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, our beginning and end, and addressing challenges to that faith including suffering and evil

## **Programme 2 Jesus Christ, the only Son of God**

Affirming the love, truth and empowerment revealed to us in Jesus Christ and addressing the unique place he is granted in world history by historians and philosophers

## **Programme 3 Jesus Christ the Son of God was made man**

Affirming the love of God brought to a point in the womb of Blessed Mary and addressing the philosophical problem of unique events having universal significance

## **Programme 4 Jesus Christ the Son of God was crucified**

Affirming the Cross of Christ as instrument of breaking the barrier of sin to make us one with God and addressing how it is made effective through faith and baptism

## **Programme 5 Jesus Christ the Son of God rose again from the dead**

Affirming the resurrection of Christ as central to the Nicene Creed and addressing its historical basis especially the ring of truth about the separate New Testament accounts

## **Programme 6 Jesus Christ the Son of God ascended into heaven**

Affirming the ascension, 'Jesus is Lord', and addressing its implications for raising humanity to share the divine nature and become fellow heirs with Christ.

## **Programme 7 Jesus Christ the Son of God will come again**

Affirming hope in the completion of Christ's earthly work, with the ultimate righting of wrongs on his return, and addressing questions about the need for the last judgment

## **Programme 8 The Holy Spirit**

Affirming God the Holy Spirit whose radiance lightens the mind, warms the heart and energises the will, and addressing issues surrounding the gifts and fruit of the Spirit

**Programme 9 One, holy, catholic and apostolic church**

Affirming the church as the instrument of God's praise and service including evangelism and addressing the scandal of her evident disunity

**Programme 10 One baptism for the forgiveness of sins**

Affirming the risen Christ's gift of forgiveness linked to baptism and addressing differences over infant baptism and receiving the assurance of forgiveness

**Programme 11 The resurrection of the dead**

Affirming the hoped for fulfillment of Christ's resurrection in the general resurrection of the dead at his return and addressing the need to prepare in this life for this happening

**Programme 12 The life of the world to come**

Affirming belief in the communion of saints on earth and in heaven and addressing belief in hell and how a loving God could allow such a place

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