

# Unit 1

1A Praise be to the LORD God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvelous deeds. Praise be to His glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and Amen.

**Psalm 72:18–19**

1B The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 6:23**

2A As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD. **Joshua 24:15b**

2B How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

**1 John 3:1**

3A The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 6:23**

3B “And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” **Matthew 28:20**

4A Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. **Psalm 119:105**

4B God is our God for ever and ever; He will be our guide even to the end. **Psalm 48:14**

# Unit 2

5A This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. **1 John 5:14**

5B Show me Your ways, O LORD, teach me Your paths; guide me in Your truth and teach me, for You are God my Savior, and my hope is in You all day long. **Psalm 25:4–5**

6A Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him. **Colossians 3:17**

6B Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

**Ephesians 4:2, 32**

7A Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in Him. **Jeremiah 17:7**

7B God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” **Hebrews 13:5b**

8A [Jesus] Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness. **1 Peter 2:24**

8B If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:9**

9A Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy. **1 Corinthians 13:4**

9B I can do everything through Him who gives me strength. **Philippians 4:13**

- 10A Put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground. **Ephesians 6:13**
- 10B God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid." **Hebrews 13:5–6**
- 11A Forgive as the Lord forgave you. **Colossians 3:13**
- 11B Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. **Colossians 3:13**

## Unit 3

- 12A [Jesus said,] "Everyone who sins is a slave to sin. If the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed." **John 8:34, 36**
- 12B [God] has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves. **Colossians 1:13**
- 13A God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline. **2 Timothy 1:7**
- 13B [God says,] "I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go." **Psalms 32:8**
- 14A Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. **Psalms 51:10**
- 14B The LORD is faithful to all His promises. **Psalms 145:13**
- 15A For you know that . . . you were redeemed . . . with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. **1 Peter 1:18–19**
- 15B In Your unfailing love You will lead the people You have redeemed. In Your strength You will guide them. **Exodus 15:13**

## Unit 4

- 16A If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! **2 Corinthians 5:17**
- 16B God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. **2 Corinthians 5:21**
- 17A I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD." **Psalms 122:1**
- 17B I urge you, brothers [and sisters], in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. **Romans 12:1**
- 18A Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. . . . Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not a burden. **Hebrews 13:17**
- 18B Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in Him. **Jeremiah 17:7**
- 19A Choose one or more of the Bible verses.  
God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. **Psalms 46:1**

19B Praise be to the LORD, who this day has not left you without a kinsman-redeemer. **Ruth 4:14**

## Unit 5

20A She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins. **Matthew 1:21**

20B Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us . . . with every spiritual blessing in Christ. **Ephesians 1:3**

21A The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. **1 John 3:8b**

21B I have hidden Your word in my heart that I might not sin against You. **Psalms 119:11**

22A Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us. **Ephesians 4:32–5:2**

22B I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. **Romans 1:16**

23A It is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God. **Ephesians 2:8**

23B In Christ we who are many form one body. **Romans 12:5**

## Unit 6

24A Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life." **John 14:6**

24B O Sovereign LORD, You are God! Your words are trustworthy. **2 Samuel 7:28**

25A My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. **John 15:12**

25B "I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. . . . All this He does out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me."

### Excerpts from Luther's explanation of the First Article of the Apostles' Creed

26A At the name of Jesus every knee should bow . . . and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. **Philippians 2:10–11**

26B You will be My witnesses . . . to the ends of the earth. **Acts 1:8**

27A God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. **Psalms 46:1**

27B Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. **James 4:7**

28A [He] forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases. **Psalms 103:3**

28B Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. **Hebrews 4:16**

29A [Jesus said,] "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me will live, even though he dies."

**John 11:25**

29B Rejoice that your names are written in heaven. **Luke 10:20**

## Unit 7

30A Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. **Psalms 119:105**

30B Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **2 Peter 3:18**

31A We . . . are being transformed into [Christ's] likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord. **2 Corinthians 3:18**

31B Pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. **1 Thessalonians 5:17–18**

32A Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever. **Psalms 118:1**

32B Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. **Matthew 5:6**

33A Do not fear, for I am with you; . . . I will strengthen you and help you. **Isaiah 41:10**

33B Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. **Psalms 100:1**

34A I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:38–39**

34B The LORD is good to all, And His tender mercies are over all His works. **Psalms 145:9 (NKJV)**

35A 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**

35B Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise! **Revelation 5:12**

## Unit 8

36A Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth. **1 John 3:18**

36B May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else. **1 Thessalonians 3:12**

37A This is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more. **Philippians 1:9**

37B Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it! **Luke 11:28 (NKJV)**

38A I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me. **John 14:6**

38B I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my heart; I will glorify Your name forever. **Psalms 86:12**

- 39A I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. **Romans 1:16**
- 39B Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven. . . . For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. **Matthew 6:19–21**
- 40A He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. **Titus 3:5**
- 40B Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. **Hebrews 4:16**
- 41A You are . . . a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. **1 Peter 2:9**
- 41B Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. **Matthew 5:16**
- 42A My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. **John 10:27**
- 42B My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. **John 10:27–28**
- 43A [Jesus said,] “Because I live, you also will live.” **John 14:19**
- 43B Rejoice that your names are written in heaven. **Luke 10:20**
- 44A [Jesus said,] “Watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.” **Matthew 25:13**
- 44B [Jesus said,] “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” **Matthew 28:19–20**
- 45A [Jesus said,] “You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last.” **John 15:16**
- 45B For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. **Ephesians 2:8–9**

## Unit 9

- 46A He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. **Romans 4:25**
- 46B He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died for them and was raised again. **2 Corinthians 5:15**
- 47A Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. **John 14:27**
- 47B My sheep listen to My voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. **John 10:27–28**

48A Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. **Matthew 28:18–20**

48B God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **Philippians 2:9–113**

## Unit 10

49A "I will no longer hide My face from them, for I will pour out My Spirit on the house of Israel."  
**Ezekiel 39:29**

49B Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers. **Galatians 6:10**

50A Blessed are those . . . who walk in the light of Your presence, O LORD. They rejoice in Your name all day long. **Psalms 89:15–16**

50B Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. **Acts 4:12**

51A If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:8–9**

51B Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Corinthians 15:57**

52A May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. **2 Thessalonians 2:16–17**

52B Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.  
**Ephesians 4:32**

53A God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light. . . . To Him be honor and might forever.  
**1 Timothy 6:15–16**

53B Such confidence as this is ours through Christ before God. Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God.  
**2 Corinthians 3:4–5**

54A I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more. **Jeremiah 31:34**

54B You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. **1 Peter 2:9**

55A There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.  
**Galatians 3:28**

Repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in His name to all nations. **Luke 24:47**

- 55B We have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all. **1 Timothy 4:10**
- 56A Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor Me. **Psalms 50:15**
- 56B I will praise You, O LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonders. I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High. **Psalms 9:1–2**
- 57A No one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit. **1 Corinthians 12:3**
- 57B The LORD said, “. . . Now go; I will help you speak and will teach you what to say.” **Exodus 4:11–12**
- 58A Finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given . . . the task of testifying to the gospel of God’s grace. **Acts 20:24**
- 58B Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Corinthians 15:57**
- 59A Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. **1 Timothy 4:12**
- 59B In all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:37–39**
- 60A The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. **Matthew 9:37–38**
- 60B Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **2 Peter 3:18**

## *The Ten Commandments*

### **The First Commandment**

You shall have no other gods.

*What does this mean?* We should fear, love and trust in God above all things

### **The Second Commandment**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

### **The Third Commandment**

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

### **The Fourth Commandment**

Honor your father and your mother.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

### **The Fifth Commandment**

You shall not murder.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need.

### **The Sixth Commandment**

You shall not commit adultery.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other.

### **The Seventh Commandment**

You shall not steal.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income.

### **The Eighth Commandment**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way.

### **The Ninth Commandment**

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it.

### **The Tenth Commandment**

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

*What does this mean?* We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.

# ***Lord's Prayer***

## ***The Introduction***

Our Father who art in heaven.

*What does this mean?* With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

## ***The First Petition***

Hallowed be Thy name.

*What does this mean?* God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also.

*How is God's name kept holy?* God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father!

## ***The Second Petition***

Thy kingdom come.

*What does this mean?* The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

*How does God's kingdom come?* God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

## ***The Third Petition***

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

*What does this mean?* The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

*How is God's will done?* God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.

## ***The Fourth Petition***

Give us this day our daily bread.

*What does this mean?* God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

*What is meant by daily bread?* Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the support and needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money, goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, good government, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputation, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like

### ***The Fifth Petition***

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

*What does this mean?* We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us.

### ***The Sixth Petition***

And lead us not into temptation.

*What does this mean?* God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory.

### ***The Seventh Petition***

But deliver us from evil.

*What does this mean?* We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven.

### ***The Conclusion***

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*What does this mean?* This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so."

## ***The First Article***

### ***Creation***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

*What does this mean?* I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them.

He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life.

He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil.

All this He does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me. For all this it is my duty to thank and praise serve and obey Him.

This is most certainly true.

## ***The Second Article***

### ***Redemption***

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, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

*What does this mean?* I believe the Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord,  
who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death,  
that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom  
and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,  
just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity.  
This is most certainly true.

## ***The Third Article***

### ***Sanctification***

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

*What does this mean?* I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers.

On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

## **Morning Prayer**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have power over me. Amen.

## **Evening Prayer**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

## **The Books of *The Old Testament***

Genesis	2 Chronicles	Daniel
Exodus	Ezra	Hosea
Leviticus	Nehemiah	Joel
Numbers	Esther	Amos
Deuteronomy	Job	Obadiah
Joshua	Psalms	Jonah
Judges	Proverbs	Micah
Ruth	Ecclesiastes	Nahum
1 Samuel	Song of Solomon	Habakkuk
2 Samuel	Isaiah	Zephaniah
1 Kings	Jeremiah	Haggai
2 Kings	Lamentations	Zechariah
1 Chronicles	Ezekiel	Malachi

## **The Books of *The New Testament***

Matthew	1 Timothy
Mark	2 Timothy
Luke	Titus
John	Philemon
Acts	Hebrews
Romans	James
1 Corinthians	1 Peter
2 Corinthians	2 Peter
Galatians	1 John
Ephesians	2 John
Philippians	3 John
Colossians	Jude
1 Thessalonians	Revelation
2 Thessalonians	