

John 16:7-13

But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment: in regard to sin, because men do not believe in me; in regard to righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; and in regard to judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned. "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

THE CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Third Article of the Apostle's Creed and its Explanation

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 it 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 me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

Sermon Outline
Pentecost • "Times of Refreshing"
Acts 3:11-20

Introduction: On this Mother's Day: the ultimate multi-tasker.

Pentecost: A Time of Refreshing!

1. Special powers.

"Men of Israel, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?" v.12

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2. Bad cop. Good cop.

"You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead." v.14-15
"Now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders." v.17

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3. Times of refreshing.

"Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord..." v.19

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Answers to Sermon Outline:

The real miracle: Faith

The truth in love

Time for a second wind