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ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH CONFIRMATION
THE APOSTLES' CREED

Lesson 24: "The Apostles' Creed, Part 11," (L24)
Year 1 (7th Grade)

After completing this lesson, the student will:

- *Become familiar with The Third Article of The Apostles' Creed.
- *Know what resurrection and eternal life are.
- *Can be certain that they have eternal life.
- *Can share the basics of what will happen on Judgment Day.
- *Memorize Bible Verse #669, Romans 10:9.

1. Introduction:

Watch video: (Parents are to meet with students during instruction with this 3rd Article).

2. Grab a circle or a wreath. Ask where does it end and where does it begin? That's a mystery. If you are married, display your wedding ring. Say, "It's circular and made of fine metals, it goes on and on." Heaven is eternal as well, Christmas wreaths point to the joy of life eternal. However, we just won't live forever, but we will have new and glorious bodies like our Lord and Savior forever. When Jesus rose, He had a new body free from sin, disease and death. This isn't some sort of spirit; Jesus walked talked, touched others, ask others to touch him and he even ate. Jesus was arisen and given a new body. Ask, "Will we be angels in heaven?" The answer is no. Hebrews 1 shares with us that angels are eternal ministering spirits of God. We will be like God, if you wish read 1 John 3:1-3, "And when we appear, we shall be like Him!" When that great and terrible day comes, "Judgment Day," we believers will be given new bodies, similar in style and design to our God. We will live forever with new bodies that never wear out.

IV. THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY:

3. Go to pp. 15-17, write out just The Apostles' Creed, the darkened words and not the meaning below. Write it out just as we confess it frequently in church.

4. Answer question #187 on p. 168 in your Catechism, "What do the Scriptures teach about the resurrection of the body?"
 - A. On the _____ Christ will raise me from the _____.
 - B. The same bodies that have died shall be made _____.
 - C. Complete: John 5:28-29, "An hour is _____ when all who are in the _____ will hear His _____ and come out."
 - D. Did Job believe in the resurrection. Share what his resurrected body will be able to do.

5. Read question #188, on p. 169, "Are people reborn in bodies or forms?"
 - A. Share three things that are contrary to Scripture:

B. What is Reincarnation?

C. How many times according to Hebrews 9:27-28 are appointed to die?

6. Answer question #189 on pp. 169-170, "What's the difference between believers and unbelievers in the resurrection?"
 - A. The believers will rise with _____.
 - B. The believers will enter into _____ in _____ with _____.
 - C. Unbelievers will rise to _____
 - D. That is _____ and _____ in _____.
 - E. "Bible Narrative," Draw a picture of the rich man and Lazarus. How many places are there? Use Luke 19:16-31

V. EVERLASTING LIFE:

7. GO to question #190 on pp. 170-172. "To whom does God give eternal life?"
God _____ eternal life to _____ and all _____ in Christ."

A. Write down four truths about Eternal life.

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- B. Write true or false to these statements based on Bible verses #667-#680.
- _____ Who ever believes in Jesus shall not die, but have eternal life.
- _____ A person who only confesses with their mouth will be saved.
- _____ Who believes in the Son has eternal life.
- _____ The dust returns to the ground and the spirit haunts mean people.
- _____ The thief was with Jesus in Paradise after 6 months.
- _____ It is better to depart this life and be with Christ.
- _____ Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.
- _____ In the twinkling of an eye, the dead will be raised imperishable.
- _____ To those on the left, they will inherit the Kingdom prepared.
- _____ At God's right hand are pleasures that last about a life time/80 years.
- _____ The sufferings will not compare to the glory to be yet revealed.
- _____ When He appears we shall be like Him as we will see Him as He is.
- C. Read question #191 on p. 172-173, "Are you sure that you have eternal life?"
- We have been _____ to eternal life.
- This is out of _____ grace without any _____ of my own.
- No one can _____ me out of _____ hand.
- This is (Eternal _____ of grace or _____)
1. Discuss; God wants all to be saved.
 2. Discuss: Predestination, God chooses, pertains only to the saved.
 3. Discuss: God does not predestine anyone for hell or damnation.
 4. Discuss: God's Word teaches this and it is a mystery. Don't try to understand it!
 5. Pick a Bible verse from #681-#683 that means much to you. Write it below and share how God gave you eternal life.
8. Answer question #192 on p. 173, "Why do you close this article with the words "This is most certainly true?" " _____ all I confess in this _____ is plainly taught in the _____ and therefore I _____ believe _____."
- A. Go to pp. 275 to 283 in Your Small Catechism, draw 3 symbols of eternity and salvation found with "**Symbols and Their Meanings.**" Share why you chose those three.

Closing Prayer: *"Heavenly Father, 'The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord, she is His new creation by water and The Word, from heaven He came & sought her & with His own blood He bought her. By the Spirit let us remain true to it, In Jesus name, Amen."*