

# RCIA Lesson 3

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# Creation

- Earth and Man created out of God's love
- Plan for Love
- For His Glory
- Created by the Trinity – Father the Creator
- Only God can create from nothing
- Created by His Word – Jesus
- Jesus is the fulfillment of Revelation

# Providence and Free Will

- Disposition that Guides
- The Father is Glorified
- We can choose
- Evil is permitted for the sake of Good
  - Passion of Jesus
  - Labor Pains
  - Death of a Seed

# Heaven and Earth

- Angels
  - Messenger
  - Non-corporeal
  - Christ Centered
  - St. Micheal, St. Gabriel
  - Guardian Angels
  - Invisible yet with us
  - Watchers and Intercessors

# The Visible World

- Symbolic Six Day Creation
- Two creations in Genesis
- God created all things
- God saw it was good
- Hierarchy of creation
- Man – Created in “Our” image – The Trinity
- For His Glory

# Man

- In the Image of God
- Dignity of Life
- Body and Soul but Truly One
  - Soul – spiritual principle in man
  - Temple of the Spirit
- Male and Female – Christ and the Body
  - Unity
- Man in Paradise

# The Fall

- Original Sin – Separates Us from God
  - Sin enters the world by an act of Adam
- Jesus the Redeemer and the Law
- Fall of Adam
  - Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil
  - An exercise of free-will
- Fall of Satan
  - 1/3 of the angels
  - No repentance

# You Did Not Abandon Him to the Power of Death

- After his fall God did not abandon man
- Jesus is the “New Adam”
- Our Blessed Mother “New Eve”
- Why did God permit the fall?
- St. Paul, “Where sin increased, Grace abounded all the more.”



# Jesus Christ - Savior

- Christ
- Only Son of God
- Lord
- Word Incarnate
- True God and True Man
- Conceived by the Holy Spirit
- Born of the Virgin Mary

# Mysteries of Christ

- Christ=Messiah=Anointed One
- Son of the Father
- Reveals the Father
- Redemption
- Recapitulate

# Mysteries of Jesus

- John the Baptist – Spirit of Elijah
- Advent and Christmas – Born A New
- Epiphany – Wise men
- Circumcision (Covenant) and Baptism
- Presentation in the Temple
  - Simeon and Anna
- Flight to Egypt – Exodus

# Mysteries of Jesus

- Hidden Life
- Obedient
- Silence and Family Life
- Finding Jesus in the Temple
- Baptism
- Temptations
- Kingdom of God at Hand