

DEVOTION
Session Four

Scripture: Romans 10:14-15, 17

Song: "To God Be the Glory" verses 1 and 2 (UMH #98)

Reading: *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the
Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of
the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and
was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the
scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayer: *For God's Reign*

We believe in you, O God,

for you have made the suffering of humanity your suffering.
You have come to establish a kingdom of the poor and humble.
Today we sing to you, because you are alive,
you have saved us, you have made us free. Amen.

(Cuba, 20th Century, *The United Methodist Book of Worship*,
#511)

CLOSING PRAYER

Take my life! Lord, put me to doing your work

and your will in the world
so that the lost and hungry souls may be attracted to your love
and mercy and be drawn into the embrace of your love. Amen.
(Reuben Job and Norman Shawchuck, *A Guide to Prayer for Those
Who Seek God*, [Nashville: Upper Room Books, 2003], 407)