

## **One God, the Father Almighty (Matt. 6:25-34)**

Is anyone loving yet powerful enough to hold the world all together?

if there's only one God, one throne

The Nicene Creed gives an emphatic YES:  
***We believe in one God, the Father Almighty***

### **2. The nearness of God**

Jesus keeps calling God by one particular name (Matt. 6:26. 32)

Who God at his very heart is (eg. see John 14:6, 17:24)

Creation is the overflow of a Father's generous heart

How do we know we're not just projecting what we want God to be like?  
Look at Jesus' whole life – baptism, Gethsemane, the cross

### **1. The bigness of God**

*The Maker of heaven and Earth* (eg. see Matt 6:29-30)

Imagine if there was no Creator

*All things visible and invisible*

So the things you can and can't see...

But more than that, it means He made everything from nothing

That's how BIG God is! He is in a class of his own

*One God*

Why is that good news? Imagine a world populated by many gods  
Plain exhausting

### **3. The sufficiency of God**

The practical conclusion: Matt. 6:25-26, 31-32

*Almighty – pantokratōr- "the one who holds all things"*

Strength in service of love

How do you know if you are a Nicene Christian? Matt. 6:33, Psalm 121:1-3