

# THE CREED

## THE THIRD ARTICLE (PART 3)

### DEVOTION

#### **I BELIEVE IN . . . THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN.**

*What does this mean?* On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

**For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep. (1 Thessalonians 4:14)**

### FOR SHARING

1. What false ideas about life after death are common in our day?
2. Eternal life, Jesus assures us, is ours from the moment we believe in Him (John 5:24). Yet we still live in a sinful world and carry around our sinful nature. As you trust and live for Christ, what challenges and obstacles do you experience?
3. To what do you most look forward when you think about the Last Day?
4. Jesus' resurrection assures us that we will be raised to life when He returns in glory. In what ways does His victory over sin, death, and Satan give you hope for the future? for eternity?
5. God gives eternal life in Christ to all who believe and are baptized. How can you celebrate eternal life *now*?

### PRAYER

Dear Father in heaven, I thank You that You have chosen me to be Your child. Bless me with the ability to properly use the wonderful gift of eternal life. Help me to trust in Your promise of salvation through Christ. Encourage me to share this precious gift with family, friends, and everyone I meet. Help me to appreciate this gift and to look forward to the Last Day when I shall fully enjoy eternal life with You, my Father. Amen.