

EUSEBIUS OF CAESAREA

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d. 431

Bishop, Historian, and Courtier

Biblical scholar, defender of Origen, historian

Imprisoned and tortured in Great Persecution Proposed first draft of Nicene Creed

Though reluctantly voted for Nicaea, supported Arians against Eustathius and Athanasius
Reverential apologist for Constantine

Arianism coherent with his appreciation of Origen and loyalty to Constantine

Wrote Preparation for the Gospel, Proof of the Gospel, Church History, and Life of Constantine

Not to be confused with Eusebius of Nicomedia, St. Eusebius of Vercelli, or Pope St. Eusebius

We believe in one only God, Father Almighty, Creator of things visible and invisible; and in the Lord Jesus Christ, for he is the Word of God, God of God, Light of Light, life of life, his only Son, the firstborn of all creatures, begotten of the Father before all time, by whom also everything was created, who became flesh for our redemption, who lived and suffered amongst men, rose again the third day, returned to the Father, and will come again one day in his glory to judge the quick and the dead. We believe also in the Holy Ghost. We believe that each of these three is and subsists; the Father truly as Father, the Son truly as Son, the Holy Ghost truly as Holy Ghost; as our Lord also said, when he sent his disciples to preach: Go and teach all nations, and baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

Creed of Cæsarea