***FAITH IN GOD, THE FATHER***

LORD’S DAY 9

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**Psalter:** 86:1,2,3 - 285:1,2,3,4 - 284:3,4,5 - 60:1,2,3,4,5

**Scripture**: Psalm 19

1. The eternal Father;
2. The creating Father;
3. The merciful Father.

**Questions for discussion & reflection**

1. This article of the Confession of Faith confesses that God is the Creator. In the day and age we live this confession is no longer taken for granted. What is your approach and thinkin =g when confronted with various questions relating to creation and evolution?
2. Can you personally say what the HC says, namely that He is for the sake of Christ His Son, my God and Father? What does the Fatherhood of God then mean for you?
3. Some people have difficulties speaking about God as Father, because they have bad memories of their own father, whereas others are inclined to mainly, and only, think of the positive memories about their own father. How does your view of your earthly father affect your view of the Fatherhood of God?
4. The end of answer 26 speaks about God’s care and then uses the words, “that I have no doubt”. Study the answer to determine what things the catechism has no doubt about. Are you able to say as categorically as the catechism does that you do not doubt these things?
5. The catechism also mentions the ground for this certainty: God is *able* to do it, because He is Almighty, and is *willing*, because He is a faithful Father. Why is it so important that *both* these things are *simultaneously* found with our God?