1. “*Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained*.” 2 Tim 2:8-9
2. “*If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.”* 1 Cor 15: 13
3. “*I tell you, among those born of women there is no one greater than John [the Baptist]; yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he.*" Lk 7:28
4. Nicene Creed: *resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come*
5. Apostles Creed: *Communion of saints, forgiveness of sins, resurrection of the body and life everlasting*
6. “*Deliver me, O Lord, from everlasting death in that day of dread* …” Graveside invocation from Pre-Vatican Funeral Graveside Liturgy
7. “*O My Jesus, forgive us our sins and save us from the fires of hell. Lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of thy mercy*” from the Rosary
8. *Dies Irae, dies illa* – Day of Wrath and Terror looming. From Masses for the Dead – Pre Vatican II
9. “*‘It is not that the Gospel has changed: it is that we have begun to understand it better... the moment has come to discern the signs of the times, to seize the opportunity and to look far ahead.* Pope John XXIII May 1963
10. *“Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that fully conscious, and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy.”*, Sacrosanctum Concilium 14
11. *The rite for the burial of the dead should evidence more clearly the paschal [Paschal Mystery] character of Christian death, and should correspond more closely to the circumstances and traditions found in various regions,* Sacrosanctum Concilium 81;
12. *“the church of Christ …subsists in the catholic church”*, Lumen Gentium 8;
13. *“a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace”*, LG 36);
14. *The joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties of the people of this age, especially those who are poor or in any way afflicted, these are the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties of the followers of Christ,* Gaudium et Spes 1
15. Order of Christian FuneralsConcluding prayer*:* “*Grant him/her a place of happiness, light and peace in the kingdom of your glory for ever and ever*”
16. Roman Catholic believe that **“***After death, which is the separation of the body and the soul, the body becomes corrupt while the soul, which is immortal, goes to meet the judgment of God and awaits its reunion with the body when it will rise transformed at the time of the return of the Lord*.” CCCC 205
17. *Remember also our brothers and sisters*

*who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection,*

*and all who have died in your mercy:*

*welcome them into the light of your face.* Roman Missal. Eucharistic Prayer III

1. *We share the faith of your Son's disciples*

*and the hope of the children of God.*

*Bring the light of Christ’s resurrection*

*to this time of testing and pain.*

From the Opening Prayer. Order of Christian Funerals 1970