The Apostles' Creed

(Traditional Version)
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I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
he descended into hell.
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

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Our Father, who art in Heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Questions:

1) Throughout the entire book of 1st John, the Apostle John is focused upon one major subject. What is it?
2) When Jesus states that "The Kingdom of Heaven is Like a Hidden Treasure" what is He trying to get His listeners to understand?
3) Throughout all of Christian scripture Jesus is consistently made the focal point. Why? What does this have to do with our message today?

Memory Verse: 1st John 2:17 "The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever."

Monthly Challenge: Read through the book of 1st John in its entirety twice. There are only five chapters, all of which are relatively short, so a half chapter a day will easily get you through the book twice.

Sermon Notes: