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) What is a shepherd and what did they actually do?
2) Jesus is often talked about as being not only the Lamb, but also being the shepherd. What significance is there in this?
3) Shepherds take care of sheep, which are about the most helpless and fragile animal imaginable. It takes some humility to know we cannot do anything on our own, without the guidance of our shepherd. Do you let the Lord lead you, or are you trying to be your own master?

Memory Verse: Luke 2:11 "For today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Sermon Notes: