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) Jesus "commissioned" the twelve disciples, who in turn commissioned many others to go and preach the good news. What does this mean?
2) In our day we will often see those in government, in the military, and in special positions being commissioned. In the church we too see ministers and missionaries being commissioned. What is a "normal" Christian's place in all of this?
3) As one of God's people you are specifically called by Him for the greater purpose of reaching others. How are you living into your calling in your life?

Memory Verse: John 20:21 "So Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.'"

Weekly Challenge: Live your life this week with the knowledge that God has commissioned you to reach others for Him. Know that your life has a grand purpose in place if you call upon Jesus.

Sermon Notes: