

# Mystery of History Volume II

## Copywork suggestions

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Use these with your history lessons to review, reinforce handwriting, practice typing, and to strengthen language arts skills.

1. “Suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” (Acts 2:2-4)
2. Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit...” (Acts 13:9)
3. Be of good cheer, Paul; for as you have testified for Me in Jerusalem, so you must also bear witness in Rome. (Acts 23:11)
4. The first persecution of the Church took place in the year 67, under Nero, the sixth emperor of Rome. (John Foxe)
5. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blesses are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (Matthew 5:10-12)

The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church. (Tertullian)

6. I was myself brought up with my brother, whose name was Matthias, for he was my own brother, by both father and mother; and I made mighty proficiency in the improvements of my learning, and appeared to have both a great memory and understanding. (Josephus)
  
7. Brave and loyal followers! Long ago we resolved to serve neither the Romans nor anyone other than God Himself, who alone is the true and just Lord of mankind. The time has now come that bids us prove our determination by our deeds we have never submitted to slavery, even when it brought no danger with it. We must not choose slavery now, and with it penalties that will mean the end of everything if we fall alive into the hands of the Romans God has given us this privilege, that we can die nobly and as free men and leave this world as free men in company with our wives and children.  
(Elazar Ben Yair)”  
— Josephus, The Jewish War
  
8. "The Word does not change. The Dead Sea scrolls, archeology, modern science—they do not change the Bible; they confirm it." (Billy Graham)
  
9. You could hear the wails of women, the cries of children, the shouts of men...Many raised their arms to the gods, others...declared that the gods were no longer and that this was the last night on earth. (Pliny the Younger, in a letter to the historian Tacitus)
  
10. The Jews were at that time led by a certain Barchochebas, which means "star", a man who was murderous and a bandit, but relied on his name, as if

dealing with slaves, and claimed to be a luminary come from heaven and was magically enlightening those who were in misery. (Eusebius, History of the Church, 4.6.2)

#### 11. The Apostle's Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living 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.

\*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

#### 12. (none)

13. All this was fulfilled in my time, when I saw with my own eyes the houses of worship demolished to their foundations, the inspired and sacred Scriptures committed to the flames in the middle of the public squares, and the pastors of the churches hiding shamefully in one place or another, or arrested and held up to ridicule by their enemies. (Eusebius, Book 8:2)

#### 14. Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
begotten from the Father before all ages,  
God from God,  
Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made;  
of the same essence as the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven;

he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,  
and was made human.

He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried.

The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.

He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again with glory  
to judge the living and the dead.  
His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life.  
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.  
He spoke through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,  
and to life in the world to come. Amen.

15. The Hindu views man as a manifestation of the impersonal Brahman, without individual self or self-worth. Christianity teaches that man was made in the image of God with a personality and the ability to receive and give love. (Josh McDowell, Handbook of Today's Religions)

16. (none)

17. I look forward, not to what lies ahead of me in this life and will surely pass away, but to my eternal goal. I am intent upon this one purpose, not distracted by other aims, and with this goal in view I press on, eager for the prize, God's heavenly summons. Then I shall listen to the sound of Your praises and gaze at Your beauty ever present, never future, never past. But

now my years are but sighs. You, O Lord, are my only solace. You, my Father, are eternal. But I am divided between time gone by and time to come, and its course is a mystery to me. My thoughts, the intimate life of my soul, are torn this way and that in the havoc of change. And so it will be until I am purified and melted by the fire of Your love and fused into one with You. (Saint Augustine of Hippo, Confessions)

18. So shall my word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish what I please and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it. (Isaiah 55:11)

19. If I be worthy, I live for my God to teach the heathen, even though they may despise me. (Saint Patrick)

20. (none)

21. (none)