

Summer Bible Study 2016 – Luther’s Small Catechism

LESSON 5 – July 24, 2016

PART 4 – The Sacrament of HOLY BAPTISM

Luther carefully divided the Catechism into the Six Chief Parts of the Catechism for ease of teaching and understanding. Those six Chief Parts are: (Put these to memory)

1. The Ten Commandments
2. The Apostles' Creed
3. The Lord's Prayer
- 4. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**
5. The Sacrament of Holy Communion
6. The Keys and Confession

What are the Means of Grace? _____.

What are the Marks of a True (Orthodox) Visible Church? _____.

What is a Sacrament?

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.
4. _____.

How many Sacraments are there? _____.

List the Sacraments: _____.

(Note: The Roman Catholic Church has seven Sacraments because they have a different definition for the word Sacrament)

What is Baptism? **FIRST:** *Baptism is not just plain water only, but it is water used by God’s Command and connected with God’s Word.*

How Do we know this? _____.

Matthew 28:18-19 – ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Mark 1:8 – ⁸ I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

What do we receive in Baptism? _____.

Ephesians 5:25-26 – ²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her ²⁶ to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word,

Acts 2:38 – 39 – ³⁸ Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

Galatians 3:26-27 – ²⁶ You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, ²⁷ for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

Mark 16:16 – ¹⁶ Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.

Acts 22:16 – ¹⁶ And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name.’

I Corinthians 6:11 – ¹¹ And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Titus 3:4-7 – ⁴ But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

At What age do we baptize? _____.

Acts 16:29 – 34 – ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

³¹ They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.” ³² Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. ³³ At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his family were baptized. ³⁴ The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole family.

Acts 8:26-39 – ²⁶ Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Go south to the road—the desert road—that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” ²⁷ So he started out, and on his way he met an Ethiopian eunuch, an important official in charge of all the treasury of Candace, queen of the Ethiopians. This man had gone to Jerusalem to worship, ²⁸ and on his way home was sitting in his chariot reading the book of Isaiah the prophet. ²⁹ The Spirit told Philip, “Go to that chariot and stay near it.”

³⁰ Then Philip ran up to the chariot and heard the man reading Isaiah the prophet. “Do you understand what you are reading?” Philip asked.

³¹ “How can I,” he said, “unless someone explains it to me?” So he invited Philip to come up and sit with him.

³² The eunuch was reading this passage of Scripture:

“He was led like a sheep to the slaughter,
and as a lamb before the shearer is silent,
so he did not open his mouth.

³³ In his humiliation he was deprived of justice.

Who can speak of his descendants?

For his life was taken from the earth.”

³⁴ The eunuch asked Philip, “Tell me, please, who is the prophet talking about, himself or someone else?” ³⁵ Then Philip began with that very passage of Scripture and told him the good news about Jesus.

³⁶ As they traveled along the road, they came to some water and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water. Why shouldn’t I be baptized?” ³⁸ And he gave orders to stop the chariot. Then both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water and Philip baptized him. ³⁹ When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord suddenly took Philip away, and the eunuch did not see him again, but went on his way rejoicing.

How much water do we need in Baptism? _____.

Mark 7:3-4 – (The Pharisees and all the Jews do not eat unless they give their hands a ceremonial washing (Baptizo), holding to the tradition of the elders. ⁴ When they come from the marketplace they do not eat unless they wash (Baptizo). And they observe many other traditions, such as the washing (Baptizo) of cups, pitchers and kettles and dining couches.)

Why do we need to be baptized? _____.

Psalm 51:5 – Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Ephesians 2:1-2 – As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, ² in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

Ephesians 2:4-5 – But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

Genesis 6:5 – The LORD saw how great man’s wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time.

Romans 7:18 – I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.

After we are brought to faith in Jesus through the Means of Grace, What are we now enabled to do by the power of the Holy Spirit? _____

I Corinthians 5:14-15 – For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

Romans 6:4 – We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Colossians 2:6-7 – So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Psalm 38:8 – I am feeble and utterly crushed; I groan in anguish of heart.

Luke 15:21 – “The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’”

Romans 6:1-3 – What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? ² By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? ³ Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

How many times do we need to be baptized? _____

Ephesians 4:4-6 - ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit— just as you were called to one hope when you were called— ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.