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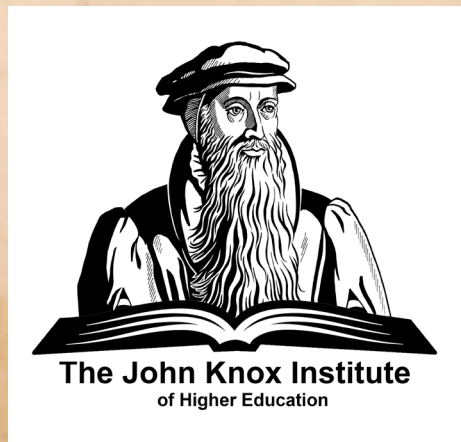
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Youth Study Guide

for Lecture #10

The Fall of Man

Catechism Questions 13 & 15



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YOUTH STUDY GUIDE

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The Fall of Man

Memorization

Question 13: *What special act of providence did God exercise toward man in the estate wherein he was created?*

Answer: *When God had created man, he entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, upon the pain of death.*

Question 15: *What was the sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created?*

Answer: *The sin whereby our first parents fell from the estate wherein they were created, was their eating the forbidden fruit.*

Lecture Structure

1. Introduction.
2. Man's estate at creation.
3. Man's will at creation.
4. Man's choice at creation.
5. Conclusion

Basic Questions About Questions 13 and 15

1. What does the word "will" mean in this lecture?
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2. What does the word "faculties" mean in this lecture?
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3. What does the word “fall” mean in this lecture?

4. Paraphrase Question and Answer #13, or put it into your own words.

5. What does the phrase “first parents” mean in this lecture?

6. Paraphrase question and Answer #15, or put it into your own words.

Bible Study Questions

(Look up the Scripture texts, read them, then write them out in the space provided.)

1. *Man was made good.*

Ecclesiastes 7:29 _____

2. *Man's will is bound to a wicked heart that desires wicked things.*

Psalms 51:4 _____

Genesis 6:5 _____

Genesis 8:21 _____

3. *Temptation*

James 1:14 _____

1 Timothy 2:14

Lecture Checkup

1. Why are the first three chapters of the Bible tremendously important?

2. What was man's original estate when he was created?

3. What is man's estate today?

4. What does it mean to say that our first parents had "freedom of will"?

5. How was man's will affected by the fall?

6. If even today nothing can force fallen man to sin, why does he still choose to sin?

7. What were the characteristics of Satan's temptation of Eve in Genesis chapter 3?

8. Was Adam near to Eve while she was being tempted? How do you know that?

9. What was it that Adam chose to do with his own will?

10. What are the ongoing consequences of this first sin of our first parents? Is there any hope for lost sinners?

Practical Application

1. Meditate on Genesis chapters 1 through 3. What did God do to the world and to mankind for the sake of his own glory?

2. Is human nature getting better through time? If not, how can man be delivered out of the state of sin and misery, and into a state of salvation?

Project Ideas

Make a diagram that shows how eating the forbidden fruit broke each of all the Ten Commandments of God.