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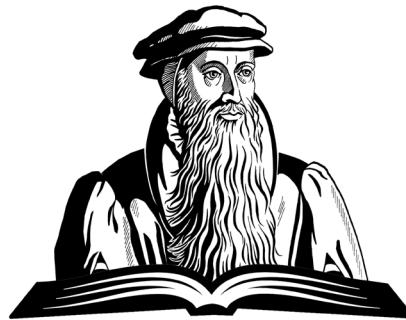
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Catechism Question 33



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YOUTH STUDY GUIDE

for Lecture #24

Justification

Memorization

Question 33: *What is justification?*

Answer: *Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein he pardoneth all our sins, and accepteth us as righteous in his sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.*

Lecture Structure

1. Introduction.
2. The parts of justification.
3. The basis of justification.
4. The act of justification.
5. Applications.

Basic Questions About Question 33

1. What does the word "justify" mean as it is used in this lecture?

2. What does the word "pardon" mean as it is used in this lecture?

3. What does the word "righteous" mean as it is used in this lecture?

4. What does the word "imputed" mean as it is used in this lecture?

5. Paraphrase the answer to Question #33, 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. *In justification, the sinner is fully pardoned of all sin, and the sinner is accepted as perfectly righteous.*

Isaiah 43:25 _____

2 Corinthians 5:21 _____

2. *God looks at the righteousness of Christ that is credited to that sinner.*

Romans 5:18–19 _____

3. *Justification is an act of God's free grace.*

Romans 3:24 _____

Romans 4:16 _____

Lecture Checkup

1. What are the two main parts of justification? How are they related to one another?

2. What is the significance of the phrase, “pardoneth all our sins”?

3. In justification, is the sinner brought to a neutral state before God? What state is he given before God? How does Paul explain this?

4. What is the basis for God to be able to say that this sinner is now declared righteous?

5. Why was the Lord Jesus Christ condemned to die? What does this have to do with believers?

6. When God looks at the believer, does he see their good works? What does God see?

7. What does it mean that “justification is an act”? Does the Bible say that we grow in our justification?

8. What does it mean that a sinner is justified freely by God’s grace?

9. What is that one way that God’s grace is displayed in justification? What is the function of faith?

10. What are the “Five Solas” of the Reformation? Please define each one.

Practical Application

1. Read and meditate on Romans chapter 4, by considering what faith is, and what faith is not.

2. If you have already received Christ Jesus as your Savior by faith, when Satan attacks you or accuses you, or when your conscience convicts you of sin, what should you do?
