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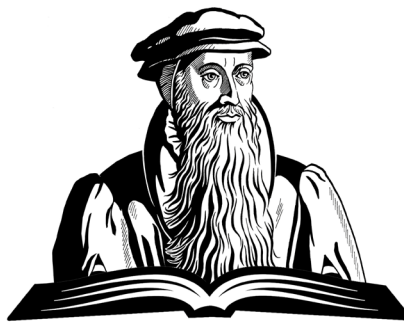
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**Blessings of Salvation
in this Life**

Catechism Question 36



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Blessings of Salvation in this Life

Memorization

Question 36: *What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?*

Answer: *The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.*

Lecture Structure

1. Introduction: other blessings.
2. Gracious enjoyment.
3. Gracious growth.
4. Gracious perseverance
4. Applications.

Basic Questions About Questions 36

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

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

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

4. Paraphrase the answer to Question #36, 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. *Assurance, peace, and joy.*

Galatians 2:20 _____

1 John 4:9–10 _____

Romans 5:1, 5–11 _____

Romans 15:13 _____

2. *The influence of grace continues with and grows in the believer throughout this life..*

Philippians 1:6 _____

1 Thessalonians 5:23–24 _____

3. *The believer is guaranteed to persevere in God's saving grace throughout his life.*

1 Peter 1:5 _____

Philippians 2:12–13 _____

Lecture Checkup

1. Do any of the benefits of salvation that come to the believer cease over time? Explain.

2. What are the five benefits mentioned in the answer to Question 36?

3. What is “assurance of God’s love”? How does the believer’s position differ from that of the unbelievers regarding this assurance?

4. What is “peace of conscience”? Where can we find it?

5. What is “joy in the Holy Ghost”? What kind of joy is this?

6. Should the believer expect to have a sense of these benefits constantly in life? Why is this?

7. What is the meaning of “gracious growth”? Is this growth constant in every season of life?

8. What Bible passage is a biblical foundation for this gracious growth?

9. What ways does God use to protect and persevere his people?

10. How should we understand those who profess faith in Christ, but later fall away and leave the church? How does the Bible explain this?

Practical Application

1. Meditate on Psalm 34. Have you tasted and seen that the Lord is good? Have you experienced all the benefits of salvation in Christ in this life? Give some examples.

2. Who should we look to for salvation? Who should we trust for our eternal soul? Is the sense of these benefits of salvation the foundation for our faith? Please explain your answer.
