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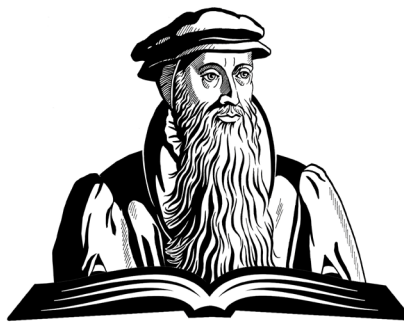
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for Lecture #28

**Blessings of Salvation  
at Death**

*Catechism Question 37*



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## YOUTH STUDY GUIDE

for Lecture #28

## Blessings of Salvation at Death

### Memorization

**Question 37:** *What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?*

**Answer:** *The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.*

### Lecture Structure

1. Introduction: death.
2. The separation at death.
3. The perfection at death.
4. The rest at death.
4. Conclusion.

### Basic Questions for Question and Answer 37

1. Define the term “believers” as it is used in this lecture.

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2. Paraphrase the answer to Question #37, or put it into your own words.

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**Bible Study Questions**

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

1. *At death, the body and soul separate.*

Luke 23:46 \_\_\_\_\_

2. *The souls of believers at their death are made perfect in holiness.*

Hebrews 12:22 \_\_\_\_\_

Luke 23:43 \_\_\_\_\_

Philippians 1:21, 23 \_\_\_\_\_

2 Corinthians 5:8 \_\_\_\_\_

3. *For the believer, the grave is made a bed of peace, awaiting glory at the resurrection.*

1 Thessalonians 4:13–14 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Lecture Checkup**

1. What are the two parts of a human being?

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2. What happens to the human's body and soul at the moment of death? Is it different for believers and unbelievers?

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3. What Bible passages teach us what happens to the believers soul at death?

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4. How do we know that even the best of Christians in this life still have indwelling sin?

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5. What does it mean when it say, “the souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness”? Does this happen immediately at death?

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6. What was the wrestling in his soul that the Apostle Paul expressed in Romans chapter 7?

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7. What will the souls of unbelievers experience at the moment of their death?

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8. What does the phrase “sleep in Jesus” in 1 Thessalonians 4:13 tell us about the death of believers? Is their body still united to Christ?

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9. At the resurrection at the end of the world, what will happen to the souls of believers, and the souls of unbelievers?

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10. Who is “the last enemy.” Did the Lord Jesus Christ conquer this enemy when he was resurrected on the third day?

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**Practical Application**

1. Does every man die? Why is it important to prepare for the day of our death? What is the best way to prepare for that day?

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2. What comforts are there for those who are true believers in Jesus Christ when they meet the last enemy?

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