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**WHAT IS OUR ONLY HOPE
IN LIFE AND DEATH?**

**THAT WE ARE NOT OUR OWN
BUT BELONG TO GOD**

WHAT IS GOD?

Q2

**GOD IS THE CREATOR OF
EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING.**

Q3

**HOW MANY PERSONS
ARE THERE IN GOD?**

**THERE ARE THREE PERSONS IN
ONE GOD: THE FATHER, THE SON,
AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

**HOW AND WHY DID
GOD CREATE US?**

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**GOD CREATED US MALE AND
FEMALE IN HIS OWN IMAGE TO
GLORIFY HIM.**

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**WHAT ELSE DID
GOD CREATE?**

**GOD CREATED ALL THINGS
AND ALL HIS CREATION
WAS VERY GOOD.**

**HOW CAN WE
GLORIFY GOD?**

Q6

**BY LOVING HIM AND BY OBEYING
HIS COMMANDS AND LAW.**

Q7

**WHAT DOES THE LAW
OF GOD REQUIRE?**

**THAT WE LOVE GOD WITH ALL OUR
HEART, SOUL, MIND, AND STRENGTH,
AND LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS
OURSELVES.**

**WHAT IS THE LAW OF GOD
STATED IN THE
TEN COMMANDMENTS?**

Q8

**YOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME.
YOU SHALL NOT MAKE FOR YOURSELF AN IDOL.
YOU SHALL NOT MISUSE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD.
REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY BY KEEPING IT HOLY.
HONOR YOUR FATHER AND MOTHER.
YOU SHALL NOT MURDER.
YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY.
YOU SHALL NOT STEAL.
YOU SHALL NOT GIVE FALSE TESTIMONY.
YOU SHALL NOT COVET.**

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**WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE
IN THE FIRST, SECOND, AND
THIRD COMMANDMENTS?**

**FIRST, THAT WE KNOW GOD
AS THE ONLY TRUE GOD.
SECOND, THAT WE AVOID ALL IDOLATRY.
THIRD, THAT WE TREAT GOD'S NAME
WITH FEAR AND REVERANCE.**

**WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE
IN THE FOURTH AND FIFTH
COMMANDMENTS?**

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**FOURTH, THAT ON THE SABBATH DAY
WE SPEND TIME IN WORSHIP OF GOD.
FIFTH, THAT WE LOVE AND HONOR
OUR FATHER AND OUR MOTHER.**

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**WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE
IN THE SIXTH, SEVENTH, AND
EIGHTH COMMANDMENTS?**

**SIXTH, THAT WE DO NOT HURT OR HATE OUR NEIGHBOR
SEVENTH, THAT WE LIVE PURELY AND FAITHFULLY.
EIGHTH THAT WE DO NOT TAKE WITHOUT PERMISSION
THAT WHICH BELONGS TO SOMEONE ELSE**

**WHAT DOES GOD REQUIRE
IN THE NINTH AND TENTH
COMMANDMENTS?**

Q12

**NINTH, THAT WE DO NOT
LIE OR DECEIVE.
TENTH, THAT WE ARE CONTENT,
NOT ENVYING ANYONE**

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**CAN ANYONE KEEP THE
LAW OF GOD PERFECTLY?**

**SINCE THE FALL, NO HUMAN
HAS BEEN ABLE TO KEEP THE LAW
OF GOD PERFECTLY.**

**DID GOD CREATE US
UNABLE TO KEEP HIS LAW?**

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**NO, BUT BECAUSE OF THE
DISOBEDIENCE OF ADAM AND EVE
WE ARE ALL BORN IN SIN AND GUILT,
UNABLE TO KEEP GOD'S LAW.**

Q15

**SINCE NO ONE CAN KEEP
THE LAW, WHAT IS ITS
PURPOSE?**

**THAT WE MAY KNOW THE HOLY
NATURE OF GOD, AND THE SINFUL
NATURE OF OUR HEARTS;
AND THUS OUR NEED OF A SAVIOR.**

WHAT IS SIN?

Q16

**SIN IS REJECTING OR IGNORING
GOD IN THE WORLD HE CREATED,
NOT BEING OR DOING WHAT HE
REQUIRES IN HIS LAW.**

Q17

WHAT IS IDOLATRY?

IDOLATRY IS TRUSTING IN CREATED THINGS RATHER THAN THE CREATOR.

**WILL GOD ALLOW OUR
DISOBEDIENCE AND IDOLATRY
TO GO UNPUNISHED?**

Q18

**NO, GOD IS RIGHTEOUSLY ANGRY
WITH OUR SINS AND WILL PUNISH
THEM BOTH IN THIS LIFE,
AND IN THE LIFE TO COME.**

Q19

**IS THERE ANY WAY TO
ESCAPE PUNISHMENT AND
BE BROUGHT BACK INTO
GOD'S FAVOR?**

**YES, GOD RECONCILES US
TO HIMSELF BY A REDEEMER.**

WHO IS THE REDEEMER?

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**THIS ONLY REDEEMER IS
THE LORD JESUS CHRIST**

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**WHAT SORT OF REDEEMER
IS NEEDED TO BRING US
BACK TO GOD?**

**ONE WHO IS TRULY HUMAN
AND ALSO TRULY GOD.**

**WHY MUST THE REDEEMER
BE TRULY HUMAN?**

Q22

**THAT IN HUMAN NATURE HE MIGHT ON
OUR BEHALF PERFECTLY OBEY THE
WHOLE LAW AND SUFFER THE
PUNISHMENT FOR HUMAN SIN.**

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**WHY MUST THE REDEEMER
BE TRULY GOD?**

**THAT BECAUSE OF HIS DIVINE NATURE
HIS OBEDIENCE AND SUFFERING WOULD
BE PERFECT AND EFFECTIVE**

**WHY WAS IT NECESSARY
FOR CHRIST, THE REDEEMER,
TO DIE?**

Q24

**CHRIST DIED WILLINGLY IN OUR PLACE
TO DELIVER US FROM THE POWER AND
PENALTY OF SIN AND BRING US BACK
TO GOD.**

Q25

**DOES CHRIST'S DEATH
MEAN ALL OUR SINS CAN
BE FORGIVEN?**

**YES, BECAUSE CHRIST'S DEATH ON
THE CROSS FULLY PAID THE PENALTY
FOR OUR SIN, GOD WILL REMEMBER
OUR SINS NO MORE.**

**WHAT ELSE DOES CHRIST'S
DEATH REDEEM?**

Q26

EVERY PART OF FALLEN CREATION

Q27

**ARE ALL PEOPLE,
JUST AS THEY WERE LOST
THROUGH ADAM, SAVED
THROUGH CHRIST?**

**NO, ONLY THOSE WHO ARE ELECTED
BY GOD AND UNITED TO CHRIST
BY FAITH.**

**WHAT HAPPENS AFTER
DEATH TO THOSE NOT UNITED
TO CHRIST BY FAITH?**

Q28

**THEY WILL BE CAST OUT FROM THE
PRESENCE OF GOD, INTO HELL, TO BE
JUSTLY PUNISHED, FOREVER.**

Q29

HOW CAN WE BE SAVED?

**ONLY BY FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST AND
IN HIS SUBSTITUTIONARY ATONING
DEATH ON THE CROSS**

**WHAT IS FAITH IN
JESUS CHRIST?**

Q30

**RECEIVING AND RESTING ON HIM
ALONE FOR SALVATION AS HE IS
OFFERED TO US IN THE GOSPEL.**

Q31

**WHAT DO WE BELIEVE
BY TRUE FAITH?**

**WE BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, MAKER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH;
AND IN JESUS CHRIST HIS ONLY SON OUR LORD, WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY
THE VIRGIN MARY, SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED,
AND WAS BURIED. HE DESCENDED INTO HELL. THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN
FROM THE DEAD. HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT
HAND OF GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY; FROM THERE HE WILL COME TO JUDGE
THE LIVING AND THE DEAD. WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY
CATHOLIC CHURCH, THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS,
THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING.**

**WHAT DO JUSTIFICATION
AND SANCTIFICATION
MEAN?**

Q32

**JUSTIFICATION MEANS OUR DECLARED
RIGHTEOUSNESS BEFORE GOD.
SANCTIFICATION MEANS OUR GRADUAL,
GROWING RIGHTEOUSNESS.**

Q33

**SHOULD THOSE WHO HAVE
FAITH IN CHRIST SEEK
THEIR SALVATION THROUGH
THEIR OWN WORKS, OR
ANYWHERE ELSE?**

**NO, EVERYTHING NECESSARY TO
SALVATION IS FOUND IN CHRIST.**

**SINCE WE ARE REDEEMED
BY GRACE ALONE, THROUGH
CHRIST ALONE, MUST WE STILL
DO GOOD WORKS AND OBEY
GOD'S WORD?**

Q34

**YES, SO THAT OUR LIVES MAY SHOW
LOVE AND GRATITUDE TO GOD; AND
SO THAT BY OUR GODLY BEHAVIOR
OTHERS MAY BE WON TO CHRIST.**

Q35

**SINCE WE ARE REDEEMED
BY GRACE ALONE, THROUGH
FAITH ALONE, WHERE DOES
THIS FAITH COME FROM?**

FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT.

**WHAT DO WE BELIEVE
ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

Q36

**THAT HE IS GOD, COETERNAL
WITH THE FATHER AND THE SON.**

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**HOW DOES THE
HOLY SPIRIT HELP US?**

**THE HOLY SPIRIT CONVICTS US OF OUR
SIN, AND HE ENABLES US TO PRAY
AND TO UNDERSTAND GOD'S WORD.**

WHAT IS PRAYER?

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**PRAYER IS PURING OUT
OUR HEARTS TO GOD**

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**WITH WHAT ATTITUDE
SHOULD WE PRAY?**

**WITH LOVE, PERSEVERANCE,
AND GRATEFULNESS**

**WHAT SHOULD
WE PRAY?**

Q40

**THE WHOLE WORD OF GOD DIRECTS
US IN WHAT WE SHOULD PRAY.**

Q41

**WHAT IS THE
LORD'S PRAYER?**

**OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE YOU RNAME,
YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON EARTH AS IT
IS IN HEAVEN. GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD.
AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, AS WE ALSO HAVE
FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS. AND LEAD US NOT INTO
TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL**

**HOW IS THE WORD OF GOD
TO BE READ AND HEARD?**

Q42

**WITH DILIGENCE, PREPARATION,
AND PRAYER; SO THAT WE MAY
ACCEPT IT WITH FAITH AND PRACTICE
IT IN OUR LIVES**

Q43

**WHAT ARE THE
SACRAMENTS
OR ORDINANCES?**

BAPTISM AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

Q44

**BAPTISM IS THE WASHING WITH
WATER IN THE NAME OF THE
FATHER, THE SON, AND
THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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**IS BAPTISM WITH WATER
THE WASHING AWAY OF
SIN ITSELF?**

**NO, ONLY THE BLOOD OF CHRIST
CAN CLEANSE US FROM SIN.**

**WHAT IS THE
LORD'S SUPPER?**

Q46

**CHRIST COMMANDED ALL CHRISTIANS
TO EAT BREAD AND TO DRINK FROM
THE CUP IN THANKFUL REMEMBRANCE
OF HIM**

Q47

**DOES THE LORD'S SUPPER
ADD ANYTHING TO CHRIST'S
ATONING WORK?**

NO, CHRIST DIED ONCE FOR ALL.

WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

Q48

**A COMMUNITY ELECTED FOR ETERNAL
LIFE AND UNITED BY FAITH, WHO LOVE,
FOLLOW, LEARN FROM, AND WORSHIP
GOD TOGETHER.**

Q49

**WHERE IS CHRIST
NOW?**

**CHRIST ROSE BODILY FROM THE GRAVE
ON THE THIRD DAY AFTER HIS DEATH
AND IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF
THE FATHER**

**WHAT DOES CHRIST'S
RESURRECTION MEAN FOR US?**

Q50

**CHRIST TRIUMPHED OVER SIN AND
DEATH SO THAT ALL WHO TRUST IN
HIM ARE RAISED TO NEW LIFE IN THIS
WORLD AND TO EVERLASTING LIFE
IN THE WORLD TO COME.**

Q51

**OF WHAT ADVANTAGE TO
US IS CHRIST'S ASCENSION?**

**CHRIST IS NOW ADVOCATING FOR US
IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS FATHER
AND ALSO SENDS US HIS SPIRIT.**

**WHAT HOPE DOES
EVERLASTING LIFE HOLD
FOR US?**

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**THAT WE WILL LIVE WITH AND ENJOY
GOD FOREVER IN THE NEW HEAVEN
AND THE NEW EARTH WHERE WE
WILL BE FOREVER FREED FROM ALL SIN
IN A RENEWED, RESTORED CREATION.**