

Lord's Day 8

Heidelberg Catechism

The Second Part – Of Man's Deliverance

Question 24

How are these articles divided?

Answer

Into three parts: the first is of God the Father and our creation;¹ the second, of God the Son and our redemption;² the third, of God the Holy Ghost and our sanctification.³

Question 25

Since there is but one only divine essence,⁴ why speakest thou of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost?

Answer

Because God hath so revealed Himself in His Word,⁵ that these three distinct persons are the one only true and eternal God.

1 **Gen. 1**

2 **1 Pet. 1:18**

Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

1 Pet. 1:19

But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

3 **1 Pet. 1:21**

Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

1 Pet. 1:22

Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

4 **Deut. 6:4**

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

5 **Gen. 1:26**

And God said; Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

Isa. 61:1

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound;

John 14:16, 17

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

1 John 5:7

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

John 1:13

Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Matt. 28:19

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

2 Cor. 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.