A Children's Catechism

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52 Questions Teaching Salvation to Young Children

The purpose of this children's catechism is to teach the basic truths of God's Word in the understanding of child-like faith. Simply completing this exercise does not mean a child is saved, but it prepares him with the understanding needed for salvation. It is best used as a lesson and memory work each week. Some may be able and ready to work faster. The verses used serve as a basis for further Bible study.

Regarding God

- 1. <u>Question</u>: Who is God? <u>Answer</u>: God is the everlasting One. Psalm 93:2
- 2. <u>Question:</u> Has God always existed? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, He is eternal. Deut. 33:27
- 3. <u>Question:</u> Will God always be God? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, God never changes. Mal. 3:6
- 4. <u>Question:</u> Is God holy? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, He is most holy. Isa. 57:15
- 5. Question: What did God create? <u>Answer</u>: The world and everything in it. Gen. 1:1

6. <u>Question:</u> Did God create all people? <u>Answer</u>: Yes, we are all God's creatures. Psa. 24:1

Regarding Sin

- 7. <u>Question:</u> Who were the first people created? <u>Answer:</u> Adam and Eve. Gen. 1:27
- 8. <u>Question:</u> What did God command them to do? <u>Answer:</u> Have dominion over the earth. Gen. 1:28
- 9. <u>Question:</u> What did God command them not to do? <u>Answer:</u> Not eat of the forbidden fruit. Gen. 2:17
- 10. <u>Question:</u> Did Adam and Eve sin? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, they ate the forbidden fruit. Gen. 3:6
- 11. <u>Question:</u> Has everyone sinned? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, there is none righteous. Rom. 3:10
- 12. <u>Question:</u> Are you a sinner? <u>Answer</u>: Yes, all have sinned. Rom. 3:23
- 13. <u>Question:</u> What is the penalty for being a sinner? <u>Answer:</u> Separation from God in hell. Psa. 9:17

Regarding Jesus Christ

14. <u>Question:</u> Who is Jesus Christ? <u>Answer</u>: He is the Son of God, God the Son. Heb. 1:8

- 15. <u>Question:</u> What is Christmas? <u>Answer</u>: Jesus became a man to be our Savior. John 3:17
- 16. <u>Question:</u> Did Jesus ever sin? <u>Answer:</u> No, Jesus was completely without sin. 1 Pet. 2:22
- 17. <u>Question:</u> Did Jesus die on a cross? <u>Answer</u>: Yes, Jesus died for us on the cross. 1 Pet. 2:24
- 18. <u>Question:</u> Why did Jesus die on the cross? <u>Answer:</u> Jesus died to take away our sin. 1 John 3:5
- 19. <u>Question:</u> Did Jesus rise from the dead? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, Jesus rose from the dead after three days. 1 Cor. 15:4
- 20. <u>Question:</u> Did Jesus go back to heaven? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, Jesus ascended back to heaven. Luke 24:51
- 21. <u>Question:</u> Will Jesus come back to the earth? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, Jesus will return to reign on the earth. Matt. 24:30

Regarding heaven and hell and salvation

- 22. <u>Question:</u> What is heaven? <u>Answer</u>: Heaven is where God is. Psa. 136.26
- 23. <u>Question:</u> Who goes to heaven when they die? <u>Answer:</u> Those who are saved go to heaven. 1 Pet. 1:4-5
- 24. <u>Question:</u> What is hell? <u>Answer</u>: Hell is the place of punishment apart from God. Luke 16:23

- 25. <u>Question:</u> Who goes to hell when they die? <u>Answer:</u> Those who are lost go to hell. Mark 25:41
- 26. <u>Question:</u> Who is Jesus? <u>Answer</u>: Jesus is God's Son who came to earth. Rom. 1:3-4
- 27. <u>Question:</u> What did Jesus do for us? <u>Answer:</u> Jesus died and rose again for us. Rom. 10:7
- 28. <u>Question</u>: Can we be saved by being good? <u>Answer</u>: No, no one is good enough to be saved. Rom. 3:10.
- 29. <u>Question</u>: Are we saved because our parents are saved? <u>Answer</u>: No, Everyone must accept Jesus for themselves. 1 Pet. 1:18.
- 30. <u>Question:</u> How can we be saved? <u>Answer</u>: We must repent of our sins and accept Jesus as our Savior. Mark 1:15
- 31. <u>Question</u>: Are we saved only by faith? <u>Answer</u>: Yes, we are saved only by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. Gal. 2:16.
- 32. <u>Question:</u> Will Jesus be your Savior when you ask Him? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, He is always ready to save anyone. 1 Tim 2:4
- 33. <u>Question</u>: How do we know these things are true? <u>Answer</u>: The Bible is God's Word and tells us these things. 2 Tim. 3:15.

Regarding salvation and the church

- 34. <u>Question:</u> When we ask Jesus to save us, what are we called? <u>Answer:</u> When we are saved we are Christians. Acts 11:26
- 35. <u>Question:</u> What do Christians do? <u>Answer:</u> Christians love God and keep His commandments. John 15:10
- 36. <u>Question:</u> What is Baptism? <u>Answer</u>: Baptism is the picture of our salvation. 1 Pet. 3:21
- 37. <u>Question:</u> Why should we be baptized? <u>Answer</u>: God commands believers to be baptized. Matt. 28:19
- 38. <u>Question:</u> How should we be baptized? <u>Answer:</u> By being put under water and coming out of water. Acts 8:38-39
- 39. <u>Question:</u> How many times are we baptized? <u>Answer:</u> We are baptized once because we are saved once. Acts 2:41
- 40. <u>Question:</u> What is the Lord's Supper? <u>Answer</u>: It is the picture of the body and blood of Jesus. Lk. 22:19-20
- 41. <u>Question:</u> Who should take the Lord's Supper? Answer: Those who are saved and baptized. Acts 2:46
- 42. <u>Question:</u> How often should we take the Lord's Supper? <u>Answer</u>: Every time the church offers it. 1 Cor. 11:20
- 43. <u>Question:</u> What is the church? <u>Answer:</u> The church is the gathering of God's people. Acts 2:47

44. <u>Question:</u> Should Christians always go to church? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, Christians should always go to church. Acts 14:27

Regarding prayer and Bible study

- 45. <u>Question:</u> What is prayer? <u>Answer</u>: Prayer is talking to God. Matt. 6:9
- 46. <u>Question:</u> How often should we pray? <u>Answer</u>: We should pray every day. Psa. 5:3
- 47. <u>Question:</u> Why should we read the Bible? <u>Answer:</u> The Bible is God speaking to us. Acts 13:44
- 48. <u>Question:</u> How often should we read the Bible? <u>Answer:</u> We should read the Bible every day. Psa. 119:9
- 49. <u>Question:</u> Should we memorize the Bible? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, we should hide God's Word in our hearts. Psa. 119:11
- 50. <u>Question:</u> What is a testimony? <u>Answer</u>: A testimony is when we talk about Jesus. Rev. 1:2
- 51. <u>Question:</u> Should we have a good testimony? <u>Answer:</u> Yes, we should tell people about Jesus. 2 Tim. 1:8
- 52. <u>Question:</u> Does God love people? <u>Answer</u>: Yes, God loves every person in the world. John 3:16