

High Desert URC · Heidelberg Catechism Schedule

July 2015

Due date	If you're memorizing...	If you're just reading...
July 5 th	Memorize QA 64, review QA 63	Read Lord's Day 25 (QA 65 -68)
July 12 th	Memorize QA 65, review QA 64	Read Lord's Day 26 (QA 69 -71)
July 19 th	Memorize QA 66, review QA 65	Read Lord's Day 27 (QA 72 -74)
July 26 th	Review QA 64 - 65	Read Lord's Day 28 (QA 75 -77)

Follow-Up Questions

For QA 64

What is another way to ask this question and answer it?

If people understand that they are saved merely of grace and not any works at all, won't people not care to do good works? No, because a true Christian will truly desire to do good works because he is thankful for what Christ has done for him.

For QA 65

Is faith and gift or a work?

Faith is a gift given by God through His Spirit and Word.

How is this faith confirmed or made sure that it is yours?

By the use of the holy Sacraments (baptism and the Lord's Supper).

For QA 66

What does it mean that the sacraments are signs?

It is like a stop sign pointing to something else outside of it (the city law). The elements of water, bread and wine point outside of themselves to the work of Jesus to obey the Law for you and die for you by God's grace.

What does it mean that the sacraments are seals?

Like a seal of a diploma guaranteeing that the diploma is legitimate, water, bread and wine by God's grace guarantee that Christ's work for you is legitimate.

Memorizing vs. reading: parents, if you think your child is too young to memorize the catechism, you can read it aloud to them following the reading schedule above. Everyone else of all ages should try to memorize the catechism following the memorization schedule above.

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