

Heidelberg Catechism

LORD'S DAY 3

Question 6. Did God then create man so wicked and perverse?

Answer. By no means; but God created man good, [a] and after his own image, in [b] true righteousness and holiness, that he might rightly know God his Creator, heartily love him and live with him in eternal happiness to glorify and praise him. [c]

Question 7. Whence then proceeds this depravity of human nature?

Answer. From the fall and disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, [d] in Paradise; hence our nature is become so corrupt, that we are all conceived and born in sin. [e]

Question 8. Are we then so corrupt that we are wholly incapable of doing any good, and inclined to all wickedness?

Answer. Indeed we are; [f] except that we are regenerated by the Spirit of God. [g]

[a]: Gen. 1:31

[b]: Gen. 1:26,27; Col. 3:10, Eph. 4:24

[c]: Eph. 1:6; 1Cor. 6:20

[d]: Gen 3:6; Rom. 5:12,18,19

[e]: Psa. 51:5; Gen. 5:3

[f]: Gen. 6:5; Job 14:4; Job 15:14,16

[g]: John 3:5; Eph. 2:5

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Vocabulary

Please define the following words/terms in the context of the Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 3:

Wicked : _____

Perverse : _____

Good : _____

True righteousness : _____

Holiness : _____

Eternal happiness : _____

Depravity : _____

Human nature/Nature : _____

Name : _____

Fall : _____

Disobedience : _____

First parents : _____

Paradise : _____

Corrupt : _____

Incapable : _____

Inclined : _____

Regenerated : _____

Spirit of God : _____

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Scripture Reading/Comprehension

Please read the following Bible passages and answer the questions:

1. Gen. 1:31

Describe the original state of God's creation.

2. Gen. 1:26, 27

What does it mean to be created in the image of God?

3. Gen. 3:6

What was Adam and Eve's disobedience?

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4. Romans 5:12

Is it fair that we are condemned to death because of Adam and Eve's sin?

5. Psalm 51:5

How are we born into sin?

6. Ephesians 2:5

How are we regenerated by God? What did you do to make this happen?
