

Heidelberg Catechism

Lord's Day 52

Overview/Purpose

Exposition of Question 127 - “*Lead us not into temptation*’, is a petition for deliverance from future evil; ‘*but deliver us from evil*’, is a petition for deliverance from present evil.”

“The Commentary of Dr. Zacharias Ursinus on the Heidelberg Catechism”, pg 652.

Exposition of Question 128 – “This conclusion contributes to the confirmation of our faith, or to our confidence of being heard, seeing that God is willing and able to grant what we desire and pray for at his hands.”

“The Commentary of Dr. Zacharias Ursinus on the Heidelberg Catechism”, pg 657

Exposition of Question 129 – “The word *Amen* signifies, therefore, 1. So let it be, or let that come to pass which we ask. 2. May God, who is not unmindful of his promise certainly and truly hear us.”

“The Commentary of Dr. Zacharias Ursinus on the Heidelberg Catechism”, pg 659

Method

Following the Trivium, the grammar stage calls for rote memorization. Constant drilling and recitation is absolutely necessary and will require direct parental participation.

Suggested Materials For Parents

See “The Commentary of Dr. Zacharias Ursinus on the Heidelberg Catechism”, pgs 652-659.

Word Definitions

• Lead	• Temptation	• Deliver
• Evil	• Weak	• Ourselves
• Stand	• Moment	• Besides
• Mortal enemies	• Devil	• World
• Flesh	• Cease	• Assault

• Preserve	• Strengthen	• Power of the Holy Spirit
• Overcome	• Spiritual warfare	• Constantly
• Strenuously	• Resist	• Foes
• Obtain	• Complete victory	• Kingdom
• Power	• Glory	• King
• Almighty	• Willing	• Able
• Good	• Pray	• Holy name
• Glorified	• Signifies	• Truly
• Certainly	• Assuredly	• God
• Feel	• Heart	• Desire

Suggested Activities

- Review word definitions
- Memory game to review word definitions and catechism questions
- Spelling test using the words in this catechism lesson
- Memorize key bible verses
- Service projects to reinforce the lessons found in the catechism questions
- Many opportunities for creativity!

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Question 127. Which is the sixth petition?

Answer. [a] "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil"; that is, since we are so weak in ourselves, that we cannot stand [b] a moment; and besides this, since our mortal enemies, [c] the devil, the [d] world, and our own [e] flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of the Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, [f] but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we [g] obtain a complete victory.

Question 128. How dost thou conclude thy prayer?

Answer. [h] "For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever"; that is, all these we ask of thee, because thou, being our King and almighty, art willing and able to [i] give us all good; and all this we pray for, that thereby not we, but thy holy name, [j] may be glorified for ever.

Question 129. What doth the word "Amen" signify?

Answer. [k] "Amen" signifies, it shall truly and certainly be: for my prayer is more assuredly heard of God, than I feel in my heart that I desire these things of him.

[a]: Mat. 6:13

[b]: Rom. 8:26; Psa. 103:14

[c]: 1Pet. 5:8

[d]: Eph. 6:12; John 15:19; Rom. 7:23; Gal. 5:17

[f]: Mat. 26:41; Mark 13:33

[g]: 1Thes. 3:13; 1Thes. 5:23

[h]: Mat. 6:13

[i]: Rom. 10:12; 2Pet. 2:9

[j]: John 14:13; Psa. 115:1; Phil. 4:20

[k]: 2Cor. 1:20; 2Tim. 2:13