## Learning by Heart

Date Due	Learning by Heart Assignment
	<b>John 3.16</b> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (27)
	<b>Books of the New Testament</b> Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, Acts, Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 Thessalonians, 2 Thessalonians, 1 Timothy, 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John, Jude, Revelation (27)
	<b>First Commandment</b> : You shall have no other gods. <i>What does this mean?</i> We should fear, love, and trust in God above all things. (23)
	<b>Second Commandment</b> : You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God. <i>What does this mean?</i> We should fear and love God so that we do not curse, swear, use satanic arts, lie, or deceive by His name, but call upon it in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks. (51)
	Matthew 22.37-39: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind You shall love your neighbor as yourself. (31)
	Historical Books of the Old Testament: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2 Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther (17)
	Third Commandment: Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. What does this mean?         We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it. (40)
	<b>Psalm 1.1-2:</b> Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night. (49)
	<b>Poets and Prophets of the Old Testament:</b> Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, Daniel, Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi (22)
	<b>Fourth Commandment:</b> Honor your father and your mother. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them. (42)
	<b>Fifth Commandment:</b> You shall not murder. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not hurt or harm our neighbor in his body, but help and support him in every physical need. (38)
	<b>Proverbs 23.22:</b> Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old. (19)
	<b>1 John 3.15:</b> Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. (22)

<b>Sixth Commandment</b> : You shall not commit adultery. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we lead a sexually pure and decent life in what we say and do, and husband and wife love and honor each other. (42)
Matthew 5.28: But I say to you that whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart. (26)
<b>1 Corinthians 6.18:</b> Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. (27)
<b>Seventh Commandment:</b> You shall not steal. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor's money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income. (45)
Eighth Commandment: You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way. (53)
<b>2</b> Thessalonians <b>3.10</b> : If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. (12)
James 4.11: Do not speak evil of one another, brethren. (10)
Ninth Commandment: You shall not covet your neighbor's house. What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not scheme to get our neighbor's inheritance or house, or get it in a way which only appears right, but help and be of service to him in keeping it. (53)
Tenth Commandment:You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not entice or force away our neighbor's wife, workers, or animals, or turn them against him, but urge them to stay and do their duty.(64)
<b>1 Timothy 6.10:</b> For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. (34)
Matthew 5.48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. (15)
Psalm 51.5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. (16)

	The Close Of The Commandments
	What does God say about all these commandments? He says: "I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments" (Exodus 20:5-6). (57)
	<i>What does this mean?</i> God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands. (53)
	<b>Galatians 3.13</b> Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree.") (30)
	<b>Romans 1.17</b> For in it (the Gospel) the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith." (27)
	<b>Romans 3.28</b> Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law. (19)
	<b>Psalm 31.1</b> In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be ashamed; Deliver me in Your righteousness. (20)
	The First Article (Creation)
	I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
	<i>What does this mean?</i> I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my members, my reason and all my senses, and still takes care of them. He also gives me clothing and shoes, food and drink, house and home, wife and children, land, animals, and all I have. He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life. (92)
	<b>Hebrews 11:1</b> Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (17)
	<ul> <li>(The meaning to the First Article continued)</li> <li>He defends me against all danger and guards and protects me from all evil. All this he does only out of fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me.</li> <li>For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him. This is most certainly true.</li> <li>(53)</li> </ul>
	<b>Psalm 37.5</b> Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass. (19)
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Second Article of the Apostles' Creed
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. (71)
Acts 4.12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. (26)
<b>First Half of the Meaning of the Second Article</b> <i>What does this mean?</i> I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, (72)
Second Half of the Meaning to the Second Article That I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true. (41)
<b>Galatians 4.4-5</b> But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. (40)
<b>The Whole Meaning of the Second Article – Review</b> <i>What does this mean?</i> I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true. (113)
John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (19)
<b>John 11.25-26</b> I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this? (35)
<b>2</b> Corinthians <b>5.21</b> For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (26)
Third Article of the Apostles' Creed         I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (28)

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	<i>What Is Baptism?</i> Baptism is not just plain water, but it is the water included in God's command and combined with God's word. (23)
	<ul> <li>For Review: The Ten Commandments</li> <li>1. You shall have no other gods before Me. 2. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord Your God. 3. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 4. Honor your father and your mother.</li> <li>5. You shall not murder. 6. You shall not commit adultery. 7. You shall not steal. 8. You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor. 9. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. 10. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor. (95)</li> </ul>
	<i>Which Is That Word?</i> Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Matthew: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28.19). (41)
	John 3.5-6 Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. (43)
	What Benefits Does Baptism Give? It works the forgiveness of sins, rescues from death and the devil, and gives eternal salvation to all who believe this, as the words and promises of God declare. (34)
	Which Are These Words and Promises of God? Christ our Lord says in the last chapter of Mark: "Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16.16). (36)
	Review: Apostles' CreedI believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of thevirgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended intohell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the righthand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, theforgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (111)
	How Can Water Do Such Great Things? Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus chapter three: (86)
	He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying (Titus 3.5-8) (51)
	What Does Such Baptizing With Water Indicates? It indicates that the Old Adam in us should by daily contrition and repentance be drowned and die with all sins and evil desires, and that a new man should daily emerge and arise to live before God in righteousness and purity forever. (51)
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Where Is This Written? St. Paul writes in Romans chapter six: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life" (Romans 6.4) (47)
What Is Confession? Confession has two parts. First, that we confess our sins, and second that we receive absolution, that is forgiveness, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven. (45)
What Sins Should We Confess? Before God we should plead guilty of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we know and feel in our hearts. (46)
Which are These? Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been disobedient, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your words or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm? (58)
What Is The Office of the Keys? The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent. (46)
Where Is This Written? This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven" (John 20.22-23). (49)
What Do You Believe According to These Words? I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself. (69)
What Is the Sacrament of the Altar? It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink. (36)
Review: The Lord's Prayer Our Father, who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. (70)
Where Is This Written? The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." (61)
In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament, in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." (60)

What is the benefit of this eating and drinking? These words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins," show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation. (52)
How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things? Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins." (62)
 <b>1 Cor 10:16</b> The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? (35)
Who Receives this sacrament worthily? Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sin." (39)
But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe. (25)
<b>1 Corinthians 11.26-27</b> For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. (50)
<b>Psalm 50.15</b> Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me. (19)
<b>Luke 11.13</b> If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him! (32)
<b>1</b> Thessalonians <b>5.16-18</b> Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (24)
Acts 2.38, 39 Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." (58)
<b>Hebrews 4.16</b> Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (26)
Introduction to the Lord's Prayer: Our Father who art in heaven.
What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father. (50)
First Petition: Hallowed be Thy name. What does this mean? God's name is certainly holy in itself, but we pray in this petition that it may be kept holy among us also. (30)

<i>How is God's name kept holy?</i> God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we, as the children of God, also lead holy lives according to it. Help us to do this, dear Father in heaven! But anyone who teaches or lives contrary to God's Word profanes the name of God among us. Protect us from this, heavenly Father. (69)
Second Petition: Thy Kingdom come. What does this mean? The Kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also. (30)
How does God's Kingdom Come? God's Kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity. (38)
Third Petition: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. What does this mean? The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also. (42)
<i>How is God's will done?</i> God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will. (65)
Fourth Petition: Give us this day our daily bread What does this mean? God certainly gives daily bread to everyone without our prayers, even to all evil people, but we pray in this petition that God would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving. (48)
What is meant by daily bread? Daily bread includes everything that has to do with the supportand needs of the body, such as food, drink, clothing, shoes, house, home, land, animals, money,goods, a devout husband or wife, devout children, devout workers, devout and faithful rulers, goodgovernment, good weather, peace, health, self-control, good reputations, good friends, faithfulneighbors, and the like. (63)
Fifth Petition: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.What does this mean? We pray in this petition that our Father in heaven would not look at our sins, or deny our prayer because of them. We are neither worthy of the things for which we pray, nor have we deserved them, but we ask that He would give them all to us by grace, for we daily sin much and surely deserve nothing but punishment. So we too will sincerely forgive and gladly do good to those who sin against us. (96)
Sixth Petition: And lead us not into temptation. What does this mean? God tempts no one. We pray in this petition that God would guard and keep us so that the devil, the world, and our sinful nature may not deceive us or mislead us into false belief, despair, and other great shame and vice. Although we are attacked by these things, we pray that we may finally overcome them and win the victory. (72)

Seventh Petition: But deliver us from evil. <i>What does this mean?</i> We pray in this petition, in summary, that our Father in heaven would rescue us from every evil of body and soul, possessions and reputation, and finally, when our last hour comes, give us a blessed end, and graciously take us from this valley of sorrow to Himself in heaven. (59)
Conclusion: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. <i>What does this mean?</i> This means that I should be certain that these petitions are pleasing to our Father in heaven, and are heard by Him; for He Himself has commanded us to pray in this way and has promised to hear us. Amen, amen means "yes, yes, it shall be so." (67)
<b>Psalm 119.105</b> Your word <i>is</i> a lamp to my feet And a light to my path. (16)
<b>Psalm 50.15</b> Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me. (19)
Matthew 5.48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect. (15)
<b>Romans 8.28</b> And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to <i>His</i> purpose. (27)
<b>Romans 1.16-17</b> For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith." (57)
Matthew 6.33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. (21)
<b>John 8.31-32</b> Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (35)
<b>1 John 1.7</b> But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. (35)
<b>1 John 1.8-9</b> If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us <i>our</i> sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (43)
<b>John 3.16</b> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (27)
Acts 4.12 Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved. (26)
Matthew 5.16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (22)
<b>Romans 13.10</b> Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. (17)

<b>1 John 3.15</b> Whoever hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. (22)
<b>Psalm 51.5</b> Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me. (16)
John 11.25-26 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" (39)
<b>Ephesians 2.8-10</b> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; <i>it is</i> the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. (51)
<b>Isaiah 55.11</b> So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper <i>in the thing</i> for which I sent it. (39)
Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. (20)
<b>1 Peter 4.8</b> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." (21)