

the present miracle. Wherefore the command of secrecy?

**Seek-Further Questions**—Mention another New Testament miracle on behalf of a Gentile. Who was the apostle of the Gentiles?

**Answers to Seek-Further Questions—**

(1) Feeding the 4,000, Mark 8: 1-9. (2) At His baptism, Luke 3: 21; Before choosing the twelve, Luke 6: 2; At His transfiguration, Luke 9: 29; In Gethsemane, Luke 22: 41-45.

**THE CATECHISM**

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[For Examination in Doctrine in the General Assembly's Teacher Training Course]

**Ques. 16.** *Adam the representative of the human race.* The Question returns to the "covenant of life," or "covenant of works," made with Adam, and already described in Ques. 12. It is now stated, that in this covenant Adam was regarded, not, as a private individual, but as representing mankind. They, through him, were parties to its conditions and share, with him, its penalties.

The Bible does not make facts, it explains them. It is a fact that every human being comes into the world with a depraved nature. The reason is that Adam and Eve, our first parents, having themselves become corrupted by sin, transmitted their corrupt nature to their descendants.

It may be asked, Why does not God place each man on trial for himself, instead of making his condition depend on the result of Adam's trial? A sufficient answer is,

that Adam with his holy nature, was more likely to endure the test of obedience, than we with our sinful nature. If he failed, can we suppose that we would stand fast. Our chance of eternal life, through obedience, was much better when made to depend on Adam, than if it depended on ourselves.

We should remember that, if Adam is our representative, so also is Christ. Our sin has been borne by Him (1 Pet. 2: 24), and we may enjoy the reward of His righteousness, 2 Cor. 5: 21. (See Rom. 5: 12-21.)

The words "by ordinary generation" are inserted, so as to except Christ. He did not descend from Adam in the ordinary way, but had a body prepared by the Holy Ghost.

It was only "in his first transgression" that Adam acted as the representative of the race. We are involved in the results of that sin alone, not of subsequent sins. In these he stood and fell by himself.

**FOR TEACHERS OF THE LITTLE ONES**

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**Introduction**—Have the letters of the name JESUS cut from gilt paper. Ask one and another of the children to place them on the board (or print with yellow chalk). If possible, keep these in view during the Quarter.

We are still to talk of Jesus Christ among men and women, and boys and girls. We are to follow our Saviour till we see Him on the cross dying for our sins.

**Lesson Subject**—Jesus strengthening and rewarding faith.

**Lesson**—Show a map (or outline). Where was Jesus when He fed the 5,000? Where did He afterwards go? (Map.)

**The Greek Woman**—Describe her coming to Jesus. She had

