

all Doctrines, Tenets, and opinions whatsoever contrary to, or inconsistent with the said Doctrine of Worship, Discipline or Government of this Church.

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT TO A MINISTER IN HIS ORDINATION.

1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and manners?

2. Do you sincerely own and believe the whole doctrine contained in the Confession of Faith, approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in the year 1647, to be founded upon the word of God: and do you acknowledge the same as the confession of your faith; and will you firmly and constantly adhere thereto, and to the utmost of your power assert, maintain, and defend the same, and the purity of worship as presently practised in this Church.

3. Do you disown all Popish, Arian, Socinian, Arminian, Erastian, and other doctrines, tenets, and opinions whatsoever, contrary to or inconsistent with the aforesaid Confession of Faith?

4. Believing, as you declare, that the Lord Jesus, as King and head of the Church, hath therein appointed a government in the hand of the Church officers distinct from the civil magistrate, are you resolved to maintain, and that, at all hazards, that in the administration of spiritual things, the church is bound to act ministerially under Christ her head, as responsible in such administrations to him alone; while, in all things secular and civil, her officers and members are subject to the laws and rules that govern civil society?

5. Are you persuaded that the Presbyterian government and discipline of this church are founded upon the Word of God, and agreeable thereto, and do you promise to submit to the said government and discipline, and to concur with the same, and never to endeavour, directly or indirectly, the prejudice or subversion thereof, but to the utmost of your power, in your station, to maintain, support, and defend the said discipline and Presbyterian government by Sessions, Presbyteries, and Synods, during all the days of your life?

6. Are you persuaded that the pastoral relation can be legitimately founded only on the free choice and consent of the people?

7. Do you promise to submit yourself willingly and humbly, in the spirit of meekness, unto the admonitions of the brethren of this Presbytery and to be subject to them and all other Presbyteries, and the superior judicatory of this church,

where God in His Providence shall cast you lot; and that, according to your power, you will maintain the unity and peace of this church against error and schism, notwithstanding whatever trouble or persecution may arise, that you shall follow no divisive course from the present doctrine, worship, discipline, and government of this church?

8. Are not zeal for the honour of God, love to Jesus Christ, and desire of saving souls, your great motives and chief inducements to enter into the functions of the holy ministry, and not worldly designs and interests?

9. Have you used any undue methods, either by yourself or others, in procuring this call?

10. Do you engage, in the strength and grace of Jesus Christ our Lord and Master, to revere well your own family, to live a holy and circumspect life, and faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully to discharge all the parts of the ministerial work, to the edification of the body of Christ?

11. Do you accept of and close with the call to be pastor of this church, and promise, through grace, to perform all the duties of a faithful minister of the gospel among his people?

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT TO AN ELDER.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, the same as the foregoing.

7. Do you accept of the office of an Elder in this church, and promise through grace, faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully, to discharge the duties thereof?

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT TO A DEACON.

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, the same as the foregoing.

7. Do you accept of the office of a Deacon in this church, and promise through grace, faithfully, diligently, and cheerfully, to discharge the duties thereof?

The following explanatory Note was added by the Synod at its meeting in Toronto, 1853.

The Synod, in declaring their adherence to the Confession of Faith, approved by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, in the year 1647, hereby declare they do not understand the passages relating to the duty of the civil magistrate, as teaching or sanctioning an Erastian control of the Church by the civil magistrate or the persecution of individuals for conscience sake; principles which the Synod heartily disclaim as inconsistent with the liberty wherewith Christ has made his people free—opposed to the spirit and terms of the Confession, and repudiated by the Church in its purest and best times.

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Geikie, Rev. A. C.
German Population, Report
Gordon, Rev. Henry
Home Mission Committee
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Intemperance, Resolutions
Knox's College, Report
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Perth Presbytery, despatch
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