

"These are all fundamental articles ; that is, that we ought to repent from dead works, to be baptized into the faith of Christ, and to be made worthy of the gifts of the Spirit, who is given by the laying on of hands."

17. What do you observe on this passage ?

(1.) That Chrysostom testifies that confirmation is a fundamental article, like baptism.

(2.) That in it he considers the gifts of the Holy Spirit to be imparted by the laying on of hands.

SECTION V.

1. What is the duty of parents and sponsors when their children or god-children come to years of discretion ?

(1.) To look out for the first opportunity for their confirmation.

(2.) To exhort them earnestly to prepare to be confirmed.

(3.) To endeavour that they shall be properly instructed.

2. When a season of confirmation is published, what is the immediate duty of those who are of age, but not confirmed ?

(1.) To resolve, by God's grace, to take that opportunity of turning their backs openly upon sin, and confessing Christ before men.

(2.) To offer themselves to their pastor to be examined and instructed.

3. What ought they to do, as soon as their pastor has decided that there is no impediment to their confirmation ?

To endeavour to prepare themselves to