

S. S. Lesson Leaves on the Church Catechism.

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THE SON OF GOD.

Learn *St. Matt.* i. 21; *St. John* i. 1-5;
Coloss. ii. 9; *Revel* xix. 16. And
the Collect for the day.

Name the second article of the Creed?
Whose only Son is meant?

Prove from Scripture that Jesus Christ
is the Son of GOD. He is called the Son
of GOD. *St. Luke* i. 35. Only begotten
of the Father. *St. John* i. 14.

What does the term "only begotten"
mean? That He is of the same nature
with the Father.

Is the Saviour then equal to GOD? Yes.
See *Philippians* ii. 6.

Distinguish as to the use of Christ's
different names Jesus is His personal;
Christ His official name. "His only Son"
marks His family. "Lord" denotes His
dominion or kingdom.

What is the meaning of the name Jesus?
Saviour. *St. Matt.* i. 21.

When did our Lord receive this name?
At His Circumcision. *St. Luke* ii. 21.

What does Christ signify? Anointed.
The same as Messias.

How was Christ anointed? With the
Holy Ghost and with power. *Acts* x. 38.

To what offices? As a prophet, priest
and king.

How is He a prophet? He makes
known what GOD requires. *St. John* xiv.
24.

How is He a priest? He offered Himself
for us on the Cross, and dully intercedes
on our behalf in Heaven. *Hebrews* iv. 15.

How is He a king? He gives His
people laws, rules over and defends them.
Revel. xix. 16.

In the verse just named what is He
called in addition to King? Lord.

What Apostle called Him by that name?
St. Thomas. He said "my Lord and my
GOD." *St. John* xx. 28.

What Old Testament name is similar to
Lord? Jehovah.

How is our Saviour thus rightly called
Lord? Because as GOD He has dominion
over all: and as man He has all power in
Heaven and in earth as Head of His
Church.

If we confess that Jesus is the Son of
GOD, what is our blessing? "Whosoever
shall confess that Jesus is the Son of GOD,
GOD dwelleth in him, and he in GOD." 1
St. John iv. 15.

If we think of Him as our Saviour and
Teacher, what should we feel inclined to
do? "Trust in His atoning blood, and
try His works to do."

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THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST.

Learn *Isaiah* vii. 14; *St. Luke* ii. 7-11;
Philip. ii. 6. 7. And the Collect
for the day.

Which is the third article of the Creed?
How is it expressed in the Nicene Creed?

"He was incarnate by the Holy Ghost."

What does incarnate mean? "Made
flesh" Christ became man.

Did He still remain GOD? Yes. He
was both GOD and man.

Prove this from Scripture. The word
was made flesh. *St. John* i. 14. GOD was
manifest in the flesh. 1 *Timothy* iii. 16.

Are there then two persons in Christ?
No. Two natures, but only one person.

Where was Christ born?
In what sort of place?

Who proclaimed His birth?
What day do we keep in memory of it?

Who came to worship Him? Wise
men from the East.

What led them?
What gifts did they offer Him?

How should we treat the Blessed Virgin?
We should love, respect and reverence
her.

For what reasons? Because she was
very pure and holy, and because she is the
mother of GOD.

But should we worship her? No. We
must worship GOD alone.

What is said of her in the Bible? She
is called highly favored and blessed among
women. *St. Luke* i. 28.

What sort of a son did Christ grow up
to be? Obedient.

Where are we told all we know of His
early life? *St. Luke* ii. 42-52.

What was Joseph's trade?
Did our Lord work at it? It is thought
so.

But what was His chief work? His
Father's business.

Of what is Christ a pattern to children?
Kindness, love and obedience to parents.

Why did our Lord take our nature upon
Him? That He might suffer for us.
That He might unite us to Himself.