

Q. 54. Why do you receive Baptism and the Lord's Supper?

A. Because Christ instituted both; ordained water to be used in Baptism, and bread and the fruit of the vine in the Lord's Supper.

Q. 55. Why do you reject Confirmation as a Sacrament?

A. Because it was not instituted by Christ.

Q. 56..Why do you reject Penance and Extreme Unction?

A. Because they were not instituted by Christ.

Q. 57. Why do you reject Matrimony and Orders as Sacraments?

A. Because they were not divinely instituted, as were Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

Q. 58. When did the Roman Catholic Church fix the number of the Sacraments at seven?

A. At the Council of Florence, 1439, and for which act there is no authority or warrant in the Word of God.

Purgatory.

Q. 59. What does the Roman Catholic Church teach as to Purgatory?

A. That the soul, when it leaves the body, goes into a place of torment before it enters into heaven.

Q. 60. For what purpose is the soul said to go there?

A. That the soul may be purged by suffering.

Q. 61. Why do you reject this doctrine?

A. Because Scripture teaches that full pardon is given, and all sin taken away from the believer by Christ's sufferings and death.

Ephesians i. 7. In whom (Christ) we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins; according to the riches of his grace.

1. John i. 7. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Revelation vii. 14. And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.