

If we strive to obey God what reward is promised?

Present happiness (St. John xiii. 17.)
Future glory (St. John xvii. 24.)

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ACCEPTING THE COVENANT.

Learn *Ephesians* i. 3, 4; *St. Matthew* xxiv. 13; *Hebrews* iii. 14 And the
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Are you bound to believe and do as has been promised to you? (Answer in the words of the Catechism.)

In this reply what do you do? Of my own free will, I ratify and confirm the promise, accept the covenant, and enter on God's service.

When will you do this publicly? At confirmation.

What is meant by verily? Truly, indeed.

Why are you bound to believe the word, and do the will of God? Because I am God's creature, and because I have been baptized.

What is this state of salvation into which you have been brought? Being made a member of Christ (2 Corinth. vi. 17, 18); adopted into God's family (Galat. iv. 5.)

Does it imply final salvation? No.

And so you ask for? God's grace that I may continue in it.

Is it possible for those once grafted into Christ to fall away?

Our Lord says it is (St. John xv. 6); so also does St. Paul (Rom. xi. 22.)

What is meant by God's grace? The help of His Holy Spirit.

How is this obtained? By prayer. St. Luke xi. 13.

When should you begin to seek it? In the days of my youth. Ecclesiastes xii. 1.

To go on then in His service, what must we give to God? Our hearts and wills.

And what must we obtain from Him? His grace and help.

What will this enable us to do? Persevere unto the end.

What is promised to those who act thus? "He that endureth to the end shall be saved." (St. Mat. x. 22.)

What then should be our care? (2 Peter i. 5-11.)

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THE CHRISTIAN FAITH: INTRODUCTORY.

Learn *Hebrews* xi. 1 and 6; *Ephesians* ii., *Romans* x., 8, 10, and the
Collect for the day.

What was the second promise made for you at baptism?

In what is the Christian Faith contained? The Creeds.

From whence are they gathered? The Bible.

Why must we believe them? Because they may be proved by most certain warrants of the Holy Scripture. Article viii.

And for what other reasons? "Without faith it is impossible to please God." *Hebrews* xi., 6.

What is faith? Learn. *Hebrews* xi., 2. Which of the Creeds is set forth in the Catechism?

Repeat the Apostles' Creed.

How many articles or divisions in it? Twelve.

How many tell us about God the Father?

About God the Son? Six. And God the Holy Ghost?

And the remaining four tell us? About the Church.

When you say "I believe" anything, what does that mean? I am quite certain it is true.

How can we show our faith is quite true? By acting on it.

To what then should Christian Faith lead? To a Christian life. *Acts* xi., 21.

And to what else? Confession of our Faith. 2 *Corinth*. ix., 13.

What is the promise to those who thus believe? Salvation. (*Romans* x., 9.)

Is faith real without holiness of life? No. "Faith without works is dead." *St. James*, ii., 26

To the Christian soldier what is true faith? A shield. (*Ephesians* vi., 16.)

From what does it preserve him? The assaults and temptations of satan.

How may we obtain such faith? By prayer. It is the gift of God. *Ephesians* ii., 8.

What hope of success does God give the young seekers? "Those that seek me early shall find me." *Proverbs* viii., 17.

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GOD THE FATHER.

Learn *Genesis* i. 1, 2; 1 *Corinth*. viii. 3; *St. John* xx. 17. Also, the
Collect for the Day.

What is the first Article of the Belief? Why is the word "I" used? To bring the faith home to each person.