

Why is this asked? To draw our attention to our baptism, and our privileges as God's children.

Were names thus employed in early times: I mean to remind men of their privileges?

Give some examples: Abram's name changed to Abraham, when God promised him additional blessings; Jacob to —, Sarai to —, Simon to —, Saul to —.

What is the real meaning of the word name? That by which a person is known.

Which name is asked for in Catechism?

Who gave you this name?

What other names are given to god-fathers and godmothers?

What is meant by sponsors? Promisers or sureties.

To whom are they sureties?

What should our names teach us? That we are Christians. And what else? That we should be holy; that we should daily strive to serve Christ, by Whose name we are called.

Where should children be baptized? In the Church.

At what part of the service?

How many sponsors required for a boy? for a girl?

Who answer for the child?

What form of words are used?

Who ordained Baptism?

When? Just before His Ascension. (See *St. Matthew* xxviii. 16-20.)

If we walk worthy of our Christian name, where will it be written? In the Lamb's book of Life *Rev.* iii. 5.

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THE BLESSINGS OF THE COVENANT.

Learn *St. John* xv. 5; *1 Corinthians* xii. 13; *2 Corinthians* vi. 17, 18. Also, the Collect for the Day.

What were you made at Baptism?

What is a member? Name a member of your body?

What is Christ's Body? The Church. *Colossians*, i., 18.

And who are the members? All baptized persons. *1 Crinth.*, xii, 13.

Baptized persons are then? Part of the body of Christ.

And all the baptized make up? His Church. *Ephes.* v., 30.

How does Christ speak of our union with Him? He calls Himself the Vine, *St. John* v. 5. And we are?

What is the second privilege of baptism?

Into Whose family were we received at Baptism?

Were we in that state when born? No. Born in sin.

What one word expresses this new relation? Adopted. *Rom.* viii., 15.

For Whose sake did God receive us?

How does He look upon us? As His own dear children.

And so we as God's children owe Him?

—Love, obedience, reverence.

What were we at our birth? Children of wrath.

And what are we now? Children of grace.

What is the third thing we became at baptism?

What is an inheritor? A person who will have some property hereafter in right of birth or adoption.

With whom are we joint heirs? Christ. *Romans* viii., 16, 17.

What part of our inheritance did we receive at baptism? Made members of Christ's Kingdom on earth, that is His Church, and promised the gift of His Holy Spirit.

What is still to come? The Resurrection of the Body and the Life Everlasting. How shall we obtain them? By rightly using our present gifts

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THE DUTIES OF THE COVENANT: RENUNCIATION.

Learn *Titus* ii. 11, 12; *1 St. John* ii. 15-17; *St. Matthew* vii. 13, 14. Also, the Collect for the Day.

What is our part of the Baptismal Covenant?

How many duties have we to fulfil? Three.

And the first is? To renounce what is wrong.

What does renounce mean? To give up, to forsake.

Why must we renounce the devil? Because he is God's enemy.

And we are? God's children.

Name some persons whom Satan tempted?

What are his works? All sin pride, anger, hatred, lying, blasphemy, evil-speaking, and the like.

What must we do about these? We must give them up.

What is the second thing we promised to renounce?

What is meant by the world? Not simply the earth on which we live, but whatever takes our hearts from God.

Why must we give it up? (See *1 St. John*, ii., 15).