

Lord's Day 12

31. Q. Why is he called *Christ*,
that is, Anointed?

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father,
and anointed with the Holy Spirit,
to be
our chief Prophet and Teacher,
who has fully revealed to us
the secret counsel and will of God
concerning our redemption;
our only High Priest,
who by the one sacrifice of his body
has redeemed us,
and who continually intercedes for us
before the Father;
and our eternal King,
who governs us by his Word and Spirit,
and who defends and preserves us
in the redemption obtained for us.

1. Ps 45:7 (Heb 1:9); Is 61:1 (Lk 4:18); Lk 3:21, 22.
2. Deut 18:15 (Acts 3:22).
3. Jn 1:18; 15:15.
4. Ps 110:4 (Heb 7:17).
5. Heb 9:12; 10:11-14.
6. Rom 8:34; Heb 9:24; 1 Jn 2:1.
7. Zech 9:9 (Mt 21:5); Lk 1:33.
8. Mt 28:18-20; Jn 10:28; Rev 12:10, 11.

32. Q. Why are you called a Christian?

A. Because I am a member of Christ by faith
and thus share in his anointing,
so that I may
as prophet confess his name,
as priest present myself
a living sacrifice of thankfulness to him,
and as king fight with a free and good conscience
against sin and the devil in this life,
and hereafter reign with him eternally
over all creatures.

1. 1 Cor 12:12-27.
2. Joel 2:28 (Acts 2:17); 1 Jn 2:27.
3. Mt 10:32; Rom 10:9, 10; Heb 13:15.
4. Rom 12:1; 1 Pet 2:5, 9.
5. Gal 5:16, 17; Eph 6:11; 1 Tim 1:18, 19.
6. Mt 25:34; 2 Tim 2:12.