

Lord's Day 32

86. Q. Since we have been delivered
from our misery
by grace alone through Christ,
without any merit of our own,
why must we yet do good works?

A. Because Christ,
having redeemed us by his blood,
also renews us by his Holy Spirit
to be his image,
so that with our whole life
we may show ourselves thankful to God
for his benefits,
and he may be praised by us.

Further, that we ourselves
may be assured of our faith
by its fruits,
and that by our godly walk of life
we may win our neighbours for Christ.

1. Rom 6:13; 12:1, 2; 1 Pet 2:5-10.
2. Mt 5:16; 1 Cor 6:19, 20.
3. Mt 7:17, 18; Gal 5:22-24; 2 Pet 1:10, 11.
4. Mt 5:14 -16; Rom 14:17-19; 1 Pet 2:12; 3:1, 2.

87. Q. Can those be saved
who do not turn to God
from their ungrateful and impenitent
walk of life?

A. By no means.
Scripture says that no unchaste person,
idolater, adulterer,
thief, greedy person,
drunkard, slanderer,
robber, or the like
shall inherit the kingdom of God.

1. 1 Cor 6:9, 10; Gal 5:19-21; Eph 5:5, 6; 1 Jn 3:14.