

Councils, Confessions, Creeds, and Catechisms

The Heidelberg Catechism – 1563

What is a catechism?

A teaching device to educate children of their faith.

A standardized resource to provide preachers their doctrine.

A formalized baseline for fellowship of churches (or believers).

What need did The Heidelberg Catechism meet?

Besides the aforementioned, it became a tool for the church to educate the people on issues of theology.

What is the content of the H.C.?

Introduction

Part I: Misery

Part II: Deliverance

God the Father

God the Son

God the Holy Spirit

The Holy Sacraments

Holy Baptism

The Holy Supper of Jesus Christ

Part III: Gratitude

The Ten Commandments

The Lord's Prayer