

LORD'S DAY 3

Q6. DID GOD CREATE MAN SO WICKED AND PERVERSE?

- A. *No.
God created man good and in his own image,
that is, in true righteousness and holiness,
so that he might
truly know God his creator,
love him with all his heart,
and live with him in eternal happiness
to praise and glorify Him.*

Gen. 1:31
Gen. 1:26-27
2 Cor. 3:18; Col. 3:10; Eph. 4:24; Ps. 8

Q7. THEN WHERE DOES MAN'S CORRUPT HUMAN NATURE COME FROM?

- A. *From the fall and disobedience of our first parents,
Adam and Eve, in Paradise.
This fall has so poisoned our nature
that we are born sinners—
corrupt from conception on.*

Gen. 3; Rom. 5:12, 18-19
Ps. 51:5; Ps. 14: 2-3

Q8. BUT ARE WE SO DEPRAVED THAT WE ARE TOTALLY UNABLE TO DO ANY GOOD AND INCLINED TOWARD ALL EVIL?

- A. *Yes,
unless we are born again, by the Spirit of God.*

Jn 3:6; Gen. 6:5; Job 14:4; Isa. 53:6
Jn 3:5; Gen. 8:21; II Cor. 3:5; Rom. 7:18; Jer. 17:9

I suggest getting a notebook to record your answers, thoughts, and questions that come to mind as you read the catechism and scripture. **With every lesson write down some things you want to see change in your thought life, attitudes, or actions.** When we meet it will help to have something written that you can refer back to as we discuss the lessons and pray for each other.

LORD'S DAY 3: January 15 – 21, 2017

SUNDAY : read questions and answers with all scripture references

MONDAY: read Genesis 1:26-31; Leviticus 19: 1-2
In what condition and circumstances were humans originally created?

TUESDAY: read Psalm 8: 3-6; Isaiah 43:10a
Why did God create humans as He did?

WEDNESDAY: read Genesis 3: 1-6; Isaiah 53: 6a; Psalm 51:5; Romans 5:12
What happened to humanity?
Define "total depravity".
Is there anything left of the former goodness of man?
What about little children or infants in the womb?

THURSDAY: read Proverbs 17:3; Genesis 6:5
We often hear "God knows your heart" spoken as words of assurance or comfort. Do you think this is assuring or comforting?

FRIDAY: read John 3:7; John 1:9-13; Romans 8:1-2; Ephesians 2:8-10
"You must be born again." Is this a command, statement of fact, or both? Explain your answer.

SATURDAY: read the corresponding essay in *THE GOOD NEWS WE ALMOST FORGOT*
Write down any thoughts and/or questions that come to mind after reading the essay.