The Westminster Larger Catechism Question 30: Does God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

Answer: God does not leave all men to perish in the estate of sin and misery, into which they fell by the breach of the first covenant, commonly called the covenant of works; but of his mere love and mercy delivers his elect out of it, and brings them into an estate of salvation by the second covenant, commonly called the covenant of grace.

Question 31: With whom was the covenant of grace made?

Answer: The covenant of grace was made with Christ as the second Adam, and in him with all the elect as his seed.

Question 32: How is the grace of God manifested in the second covenant?

Answer: The grace of God is manifested in the second covenant, in that he freely provides and offers to sinners a Mediator, and life and salvation by him; and requiring faith as the condition to interest them in him, promises and gives his Holy Spirit to all his elect, to work in them that faith, with all other saving graces; and to enable them unto all holy obedience, as the evidence of the truth of their faith and thankfulness to God, and as the way which he has appointed them to salvation.

Question 33: Was the covenant of grace always administered after one and the same manner?

Answer: The covenant of grace was not always administered after the same manner, but the administrations of it under the Old Testament were different from those under the New.

Cottonwood Community Church

April 5, 2009 Palm Sunday

Sunday Devotion, 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship, 10:00 a.m. Thursday Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

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Welcome

The Collect

Psalms 69:19-21

(19) You have known My reproach, and My shame, and My dishonor; those vexing Me *are* all before You.

(20) Reproach has broken My heart, and I am faint; and I waited for one to show pity, but *there was* none; and for comforters, but I found none.

(21) They also gave Me gall in My food; and in My thirst they gave Me vinegar to drink.

Hymn 195: Amazing Grace

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 37:21-22

Preparation for the Lord's Supper:

Let us rehearse the articles of our belief.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hades.

The third day He arose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

What do we chiefly learn in these articles of our belief?

First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me,

and all the world.

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind.

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifies me, and all the people of God.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Celebration of The Lord's Supper

Hymn 10: all People that On Earth Do Dwell

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

New Testament Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Give Me Oil In My Lamp

Matthew 25:1-13

Congregational Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn 39: Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

Benediction: Numbers 6:24-26. The LORD bless you and keep you: the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you: the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.