

LESSON 17: THE CHURCH: MINISTRIES

Memory work

Q. What are the four ministries of the Church?

*She proclaims the Gospel,
forms a fellowship of believers,
worships the one true God, and
serves God's creation.*

Q. What are the three marks of the Church?

Purity in doctrine (preaching), worship (sacraments), and government (discipline).

Homework

1.(2) Given the four ministries of the Church, how do you feel (y)our church is doing? What are we good at? What are we not so good at? Do we focus too much on one thing at the expense of something else?

2. (8) Look up articles 28 & 29 of the Belgic Confession and answer the following questions:

a. Why should no one withdraw from the church, content to be by themselves?

b. What is the duty of all believers according to the Word of God?

c. Complete the following: In short, it [the church] governs itself _____

_____, rejecting _____
_____, and regarding _____

d. Article 29 not only lists the marks of the “true church”. It also lists the marks of two other ‘things’ or ‘matters’. What?
