

## LESSON 01: SACRAMENTS IN GENERAL

### Memory work

**Q 66. What are the sacraments?**

*The sacraments are holy, visible signs and seals.*

*They were instituted by God*

*so that by their use*

*He might the more fully declare and seal to us*

*the promise of the gospel.*

**Q 67. Are both the Word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?**

*Yes, indeed.*

*The Holy Spirit*

*teaches us in the gospel and*

*assures us by the sacraments*

*that our entire salvation*

*rests on Christ's one sacrifice*

*for us on the cross.*

**Q 68. How many sacraments has Christ instituted in the new covenant?**

*Two: holy baptism and the holy supper.*

### Homework

Answers to the first 2 questions can be found with the assistance of [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org), "confirmation", subsection "Catholic Church".

The Roman Catholic has seven sacraments. One of these is the sacrament of *confirmation*.

1.(2) Complete: The effect of the sacrament of Confirmation is \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ as once granted to the apostles on \_\_\_\_\_.

2.(1) Complete: The sacrament is customarily conferred only on persons \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, and the ordinary minister of confirmation is a \_\_\_\_\_.

3.(2) What event in our church would be very similar to this sacrament? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. (5) We don't see this as a sacrament. Why would that be?

*To answer this question, think carefully about whether "confirmation" can be considered a "sign" and "seal" from God. It's fine for you to discuss this with others, or get your parents to help you with this question.*

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