# Lesson 9: Conversion: Do Good!

## Memory work

### 88. Q. What is the true repentance or conversion of man?

*A. It is the dying of the old nature and the coming to life of the new.*

### 89. Q. What is the dying of the old nature?

*A. It is to grieve with heartfelt sorrow that we have offended God by our sin,*

*and more and more to hate it and flee from sin.*

### 90. Q. What is the coming to life of the new nature?

*A. It is a heartfelt joy in God through Christ,*

*and a love and delight to live according to the will of God*

*in all good works.*

### 91. Q. But what are good works?

*A. Only those which are done*

*out of true faith,*

*in accordance with the law of God,*

*and to His glory,*

*and not those based on our own opinion or on precepts of men.*

## Homework

1.(2) The Catechism uses the imagery of dying and coming to life to describe conversion, based on Romans 6. Look up Ephesians 4:22-24. Which image does the Bible use here to describe conversion?

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2.(3) Look at q&a 89 and 90. Notice how they both use the word “heartfelt”. Why does our sorrow and joy have to be “heartfelt”?

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3.(3) Can someone who does not believe in God at all do a good work (see q&a 91!)?

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4.(2) The Catechism speaks of works “based on our own opinion or on precepts of men.” Give two examples of works (deeds) which *people today* think are good, but which *God* does not consider good.

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