

LESSON 22: HE DIED, WAS BURIED, DESCENDED INTO HELL

Memory work

You may also memorize stanzas 3, 4 & 5 of the song on the other side of this sheet.

40. Q. Why was it necessary for Christ to humble himself even unto death?

A. Because of the justice and truth of God
satisfaction for our sins could be made in no other way
than by the death of the Son of God.

41. Q. Why was He buried? A. His burial testified that He had really died.

43. Q. What further benefit do we receive from Christ's sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. Through Christ's death our old nature is
crucified, put to death and buried with Him
so that the evil desires of the flesh
may no longer reign in us
but that we may offer ourselves to Him as a sacrifice of thankfulness.

44. Q. Why is there added: He descended into hell?

A. In my greatest sorrows and temptations
I may be assured and comforted
that my Lord Jesus Christ,
by His unspeakable anguish, pain, terror, and agony,
which He endured throughout all His sufferings
but especially on the cross,
has delivered me from the anguish and torment of hell.

Homework

1.(2) Look up Lord's Day 16. It has five questions and answers.

Which one makes clear Jesus' death relates to our *justification*? _____

Which one makes clear Jesus' death relates to our *sanctification*? _____

2.(3) Some people argue Jesus did not die, but just went into a deep coma. What do you think and why?

3.(2) What is hell? _____

4.(3) Will you ever have to go through hell? _____ Explain why (not). _____

Alternative Memory Work

Melody: O Sacred Head Now Wounded

3. The truth of God demanded the death of God's own Son.

Christ Jesus was abandoned and shunned by ev'ryone.

By two men he was buried, they lay him in a tomb.

To life we are now carried and saved from certain doom.

4. Christ's death for us is helpful; with him we're crucified.

Through him all that is dreadful in us begins to die.

Sin reigns in us no longer; 'twas buried in his tomb.

Sin's lust we learn to conquer by giving it no room.

5. To hell our Lord descended to free us from its pain.

He suffered, was tormented to set us free again.

His pain was without measure; he suffered it for me.

To give me heaven's treasure; that I may with him be.