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**Quiz #42** (7/26/20)

1. What is God's will toward man when it comes to salvation?

2-3. In order that God might accomplish His will, what has God caused to be publicly preached?

4-5. By this preaching what is the result for man corporately and individually?

6-7. How many different ways of salvation had God provided? List them.

8. Is God always sincerely working through Word and Sacrament?

9. What if I can sense His working?

10. Does God force man to become godly?

Extra Credit. Before man is converted, can he work something good in spiritual things?

1. [49] It is not God's will that anyone should be damned [perish], but that all men should

be converted to Him and be saved eternally.

2-3. God has had the Law and Gospel publicly preached

[50] Therefore God, out of His immense goodness and mercy, has **A1. His divine**

eternal Law and **A2. His wonderful plan concerning our redemption, namely, the holy, alone-saving Gospel of His eternal Son, our only Savior and**

Redeemer, Jesus Christ, publicly preached;

4-5. A. **Corporately, God** gathers a church and B. Individually He works true faith

(repentance & knowledge of sins, and faith in Christ.)

[50] ... and by this [preaching]

**A. collects an eternal Church for Himself from the human race, and**

**B. works in the hearts of men true repentance and knowledge of sins, and true**

faith in the Son of God, Jesus Christ.

6-7. One. [50] ... And by this means, and in no other way, namely, through His holy

Word, when men hear it preached or read it, and the holy Sacraments when

they are used according to His Word, God desires to call men to eternal salvation,

draw them to Himself, and convert, regenerate, and sanctify them.

8. Is God always sincerely working through Word and Sacrament? YES

[55] ... still, neither preacher nor hearer is to doubt this grace and efficacy of the

Holy Ghost, but should be certain that when the Word of God is preached

purely and truly, according to the command and will of God, and men listen

attentively and earnestly and meditate upon it, God is certainly present with

His grace, and grants, as has been said, what otherwise man can neither

accept nor give from his own powers.

9. What if I can sense His working? God is still working.

[56] For concerning the presence, operation, and gifts of the Holy Ghost we should

not and cannot always judge *ex sensu* [from feeling], as to how and when they are

experienced in the heart; but because they are often covered and occur in great weakness,

we should be certain from, and according to, the promise, that the Word of God preached

and heard is [truly] an office and work of the Holy Ghost, by which He is certainly

efficacious and works in our hearts, 2 Cor. 2, 14ff; 3, 5ff.

10. Does God force man to become godly? NO.

[60] And although God does not force man to become godly (for those who always

resist the Holy Ghost and persistently oppose the known truth, as Stephen says of

the hardened Jews, Acts 7, 51, are not converted), yet God the Lord draws the

man whom He wishes [decreed] to convert, and draws him in such a way that

**A. his darkened understanding is turned into an enlightened one and B. his**

**perverse will into an obedient one. And this [just this] is what the Scriptures**

**call creating a new heart, Ps. 51, 10.**

Extra Credit. Before man is converted, can he work something good in spiritual things?

No. [61] ... Nevertheless, no *modus agendi*, or no way whatever of working something

good in spiritual things, can be ascribed to man before his conversion.