

PART 2: SIN AND MISERY

LORD'S DAY 2

[CLASS DISCUSSION ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 5, 2017]

Suggested Devotional Readings Prior to Class

Deuteronomy 5:6-21; Romans 7:7-12; Matthew 22:34-40

QUESTION 3.

From where do you know your sins and misery?

ANSWER. From the law of God.¹

QUESTION 4.

What does God's law require of us?

ANSWER. Christ teaches us this in a summary in Matthew 22: You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.¹ This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.²

QUESTION 5.

Can you keep all this perfectly?

ANSWER. No,¹ I am inclined by nature to hate God and my neighbor.²

Proof Texts for Lord's Day 2

Lords Day 02 [Q&A 03.1]

Romans 3: 20 For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

Lords Day 02 [Q&A 04.1]

Deuteronomy 6:5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

Lords Day 02 [Q&A 04.2]

Leviticus 19:18 You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Lords Day 02 [Q&A 05.1]

Romans 3:10, 23 as it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; . . .for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. . . ;

I John 1:8, 10 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

Lords Day 02 [Q&A 05.2]

Genesis 6:5 The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ;

Genesis 8:21 And when the LORD smelled the pleasing aroma, the LORD said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the intention of man's heart is evil from his youth. Neither will I ever again strike down every living creature as I have done. ;

Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?;

Romans 7:23 ...but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.;

Romans 8:7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.;

Ephesians 2:3 ...among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.;

Titus 3:3 For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and pleasures, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another.