Theology Simply Explained — WSC21 "Only the God-Man Can Redeem"

Pastor walks his children through Westminster Shorter Catechism question 21—especially explaining how only the God-Man can redeem.

Q21. Who is the Redeemer of God's elect? The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, Who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

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The shorter. Catechism question. This week is Who is the Redeemer of God's elect? And the answer is. The only Redeemer of God's elect is. The Lord Jesus Christ, too. Being the Eternal Son of God. Became. And so was, and continueth to be. God. And man, in two distinct Natures And one person. Forever.

So, This comes to us in God's Providence while we are. A little over two-thirds of the way. Now, through the book of Isaiah, Which is one of the Premier books in the Bible primary books in the Bible for this Doctrine. Isaiah, especially being about how Israel was hoping in themselves or hoping in their plans or hoping in other nations to help them or even hoping in other gods or hoping in God, as they would like to have him by, Using carved images to worship.

Hoping in anything, but God. And everything else fails. And God himself punishes them so that they can see disciplines and chastens them so they can see everything else must fail. And then several times he uses this wonderful language. Of how he looks to the right or to the left.

In one place, he uses that language looking to the right and the left and there is no one else to save and he will save Or he makes everything else to fail so that they will see that he proves himself the only true God because he's the only one who can save

Declares himself the Alpha and Omega the first. And the last because he is not only the only one who who can save, but he tells them ahead of time that he's going to do it and how he's going to do it. And then when it is over, they will find that he has done what he had alone.

Could know what he alone pronounced. And so over and over throughout the book of Isaiah. The Lord is the only Redeemer And so, not surprising. That Isaiah is also. A place where we get some of the interaction between the father and the son, Yahweh, talking to the servant, the Redeemer Isaiah is where we get things like his names.

Wonderful, which is the name? Remember that? That he had when Gideon asks what's your name? And he says why you want to know my name since it is wonderful. That the the one who is coming to redeem is the same Lord, who had appeared there, counselor that he The one who from, whom the spirit proceeds and the ears, the first paraclete Jesus, the first paraclete, and then he sends another counselor.

The spirit's Ministry to us in applying Redemption is patterned after the ministry of Jesus is disciples Everlasting father which is not just Everlasting King. Although Fowler was one of the words that was used for King but the one in whom we know God the Father as he says to Philip and he has seen me, has seen the father And so the Divinity of Christ and the humanity of Christ, both wonderfully.

Announced he is. he's both a shoot from the stump of Jesse and the root of David. the route from which Abraham Isaac Jacob.

Boaz Obed. Jesse David. all come The spiritual root of all of his people. and so That which is being announced to us on this wonderful book then gets wonderfully fulfilled. After the book of Psalms perhaps, nothing more quoted well maybe Genesis Well, there's a lot from the pentateuch.

but Isaiah Referenced over and over again. In the gospels and the Epistles and the preaching of the Apostles and acts. I referenced over and over again. in for the identity and nature and work of our Lord, Jesus Christ. And praise God. This humanity is continuel. He continues to be our mediator, he continues.

having bodily resurrected and bodily ascended? when it says he always lives to intercede, it's talking about The difference between his humanity and the priests and the humanity of the priests who came before him, who were prevented by death from continuing in their office. But here he's selected from among men and continues in that office as a man.

The continued. Humanity of our Lord Jesus even now Being precious to us, because what he does with this, indestructible life is continues interceding for us and so he's able to finish out Our Salvation to save us to the uttermost because he always lives to intercede for us by the power of his indestructible life, and he will bodily return.

And then our bodies will be resurrected and transformed to be Like his bodies like his body. and so And yet he also continues to be the Divine son. He is the god, man. And That means that, while his Humanity Is separated from us yet? He himself is not separated from us.

because he continues to be. The Eternal. And by the spirit, the father and the son come, and make their home with us, even, as Jesus personally, is preparing for us, a home with God, which is, of course himself, and when he returns physically, The wonderful announcement will be that the dwelling place of God is with, man.

The Tabernacling of God. Jesus, of course, himself being The Tabernacling of God. With. so So much so many riches. contained. In this answer, the only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ. Who being the Eternal, Son of God became man. And so was, and continueth to be.

God. And man, in two distinct Natures And one person. Forever. this is what we call. The hypostatic. Union. The. Persons of the godhead, the old Greek word for that. Transliterated in English. Hypostasis. That in the one hypostasis or the one person, Of the Sun. The two Natures are.

United. The person being Unchanging. and And, Divine nature being unchanging. And yet the human nature being subject to change. And the two being united in the person, the only Redeemer of God's elect is. The Lord Jesus Christ. Who being the Eternal Son of God. Became man. And so was and continueth to be.

God and men into distinct Natures. And one person. Forever.