

## The Heidelberg Catechism

### **55. What do you understand by the “communion of saints?”**

First, that believers, one and all, as members of the Lord Jesus Christ, are partakers with Him in all His treasures and gifts;<sup>1</sup> second, that each one must feel himself bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the advantage and welfare of other members.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Rom 8:32; 1 Cor 6:17, 12:4-7, 12-13; 1 Jn 1:3; <sup>2</sup> Rom 12:4-8; 1 Cor 12:12-13, 20-27, 13:1-7; Php 2:4-8; Heb 3:14