

THE BAPTIST CATECHISM

Week 1: Introduction

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WHY STUDY THE BAPTIST CATECHISM?

- 1) To Recognize the Importance of Catechism
- 2) To Grow in Our Knowledge of Scripture
- 3) To Prevent Us from Following False Teaching
- 4) To Unite as a Church in Our Common Faith



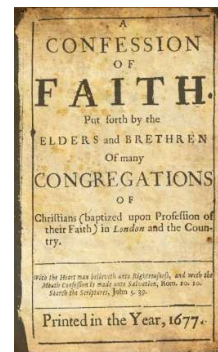
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- 5) To Train Our Children in the Truths of God's Word
- 6) To Reach Our Neighbors with the Gospel
- 7) To Worship God in Light of His Glorious Truth



WHAT IS THE BAPTIST CATECHISM?

- *It's Origin*
 - Confessions and Catechisms
 - Mysterious Origin

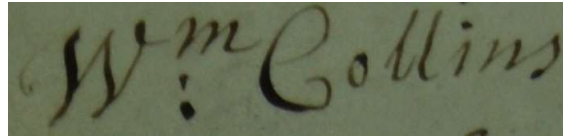


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- Earliest Copy
- “That a Catechism be drawn up, containing the substance of the Christian religion, for the instruction of children and servants, and that brother William Collins be desired to draw it up.”

- William Collins



Wm Collins



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- “Having a desire to shew our near Agreement with many other Christians, of whom we have great Esteem; we some Years since put forth a Confession of our Faith, almost in all Points the same with the Assembly, and Savoy, which was subscribed by the Elders and Messengers of many Churches baptized on profession of their Faith; and do now put forth a short Account of Christian Principles, for the Instruction of our Families, in most things agreeing with the Shorter Catechism of the Assembly. And this we were the rather induced to, because we have commonly made use of that Catechism in our Families: And the Difference being not much, it will be more easily committed to Memory.”



QUESTIONS?

