Rite of Confirmation Exam Questions
(Part 3 of 3)

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

1. What is a sacrament? A sacred act commanded by God that gives forgiveness of sin and has physical property.
2. What are the two sacraments? Holy Baptism, and the Lord’s Supper.
3. Concerning Baptism, how do the words of institution read? Jesus said: “Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” (Matthew 28:19)
4. Who has instituted Baptism? Christ, our Lord.
5. What charge has Christ given His Church? To make disciples of all nations.
6. How are we to make disciples? By baptizing and by teaching.
7. How is the water in Baptism to be applied? By washing, pouring, or immersion.
8. What words must be spoken when the water is applied? “I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”
10. Who do we renounce in Holy Baptism? Satan and his allies.
11. Why can we baptize infants as well as adults? Because they are included in “all nations” and it is the only way infants who are born in inherited sin can enter the Kingdom of God.
12. How do we know that the Lord can work faith in the hearts of infants? Because Christ Himself says that these little ones believe in Him. (Matthew 18:1-6)

The Office of the Keys and Confession

13. What is the Office of the Keys? It is God’s authority given to the church to forgive the sins of those who repent and to retain the sins of those who do not repent. (John 20:22-23)
14. Whose sins are to be forgiven? The sins of those who repent.
15. Whose sins are not to be forgiven? The sins of those who do not repent.
16. What are the two parts of Confession? 1. Confession of our sins 2. Receiving absolution (forgiveness) of our sins.
17. How are we to regard the forgiveness that we receive from the minister? As if we received it from God Himself. (John 20:23)
18. Which sins should we plead guilty before God? Of all our sins (I John 1:8-9; Proverbs 28:13)
19. According to what rule should we examine ourselves before confession? According to the Ten Commandments.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

20. What is Holy Communion? It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us to eat and drink for the forgiveness of sin.
21. Who began the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper? Jesus did on the night in which he was betrayed.
22. What did Jesus say when He gave the bread? “Take, eat, this is my body.” (Mark 14:24)
23. What did Jesus say when He gave the wine? “This is my blood of the covenant, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” (Mark 14:24)
24. What did Jesus mean when he said… “This is my body”, “This is my blood”? He meant what he said. It is His true body and blood.
27. What tremendous blessing does Jesus say we receive through Holy Communion?
   Forgiveness of our sins.

28. How can bodily eating and drinking in the Lord’s Supper do such great things? It is not the eating and drinking that does them it is God’s Word combined with the bread and wine.

29. Who then, receives Holy Communion in the right way? One who has faith in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.”

30. Can you come to the Lord’s Supper if you are weak in faith? Why? Yes! So that your faith may be strengthened.

31. What should a person do before taking communion? Examine oneself. (I Corinthians 11:28)

32. What questions should I ask to examine myself before participating in the Lord’s Supper?
   a. Am I truly sorry for my sins?
   b. Do I truly believe in Jesus Christ?
   c. Do I intend to change my sinful life?

   **Other:**

33. What is the Rite of Confirmation? It is a public rite in which baptized Christians acknowledge the promises God made at their baptism and in which they make a personal public confession of faith and a lifelong pledge of fidelity to Christ.

34. To what Church should we always be faithful? God wants us to join in fellowship with all those who hold to God’s pure Word. (John 8:31-32)

35. In what words does Christ encourage us to be faithful to Him “Be faithful even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life.” (Revelations 2:10)