

## Question 43

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**Q43. With whom did God the Father make the covenant of grace?**

**A43. With Christ, His eternal Son.**

*Scripture Base:* Gen. 3:15; Is. 53;  
Ezekiel 36:26, 27; John 3:16

*Doctrine:* WCF 7:3 SC 20, 21

### Supplementary Questions

1. How many persons of the Godhead are involved in the work of salvation?

2. What role does each person of the Godhead take in the Covenant of Grace?

Songs: "God Made a Covenant with Adam"  
"Jesus Our Redeemer" by Judy Rogers

### Teaching Notes Q43

**Theme:** The Covenant of Grace is an agreement between the Father and the Son, in which the Father sends His Son into the world to save His people. (Note: this lesson expands the Covenant of Grace from the definition the catechism's author gives, to include the Covenant of Redemption. Some treat the Covenant of Redemption as a separate covenant; some include it in the Covenant of Grace.)

**Review:** Q42. Why can none be saved through the Covenant of Works? - *Because all have broken it, and are condemned by it.*

**Reading:** Isaiah 53 - explain who the Suffering Servant is.

### Questions:

1. There are three persons in the Godhead: Father, Son and Holy Spirit (review Qs 6-8). Each is involved in the work of salvation.

**2a.** The Father **chooses** whom He will save (Eph 1:3-4; 1 Cor. 1:27-28; 2 Thess. 2:13), **enters into a covenant** with His Son to save them (Isa. 53:10), **sends His Son** to save them (John 3:16), and then **gives them** to His Son as a reward for His work (Isa. 53:10-12).

**2b.** The Son **submits** to the Father (Heb. 10:5-7), is **born** in this world as a **man** (Isa. 9:6; Matt. 1:21-25), and does what is necessary to **save** them (Matt. 1:21).

**2c.** The Father and the Son **send** the Spirit to **apply the work** the Son did to those the Father has chosen (John 14:26; 15:26).

**Gospel:** We've already seen that you cannot save yourself through the Covenant of Works because you cannot be good enough. Your only hope then is through the Covenant of Grace. In this covenant, God sent His Son to save all who would believe/trust in Him to save them (John 3:16). He was the only One good enough. His death is the only sacrifice God will accept to take away your sins. He is the only way to God (John 14:6). If you are to escape God's judgment and make it safely to heaven, you must trust in Jesus to rescue you. Have you trusted Him?

**Extras:** Comparisons Worksheet

**Song:** "God Made a Covenant", "Jesus Our Redeemer" – J Rogers