

## The Heidelberg Catechism

### **71. Where has Christ promised that we are as certainly washed with His blood and Spirit as with the water of Baptism?**

In the institution of Baptism, which says: “Go therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.<sup>1</sup> He that believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believes not shall be damned.”<sup>2</sup> This promise is also repeated where Scripture calls Baptism the washing of regeneration<sup>3</sup> and the washing away of sins.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mt 28:19; <sup>2</sup> Mk 16:16; <sup>3</sup> Tit 3:5; <sup>4</sup> Acts 22:16