



“So if there is any encouragement in Christ. . .”

WCF, Chapter XI—on Justification

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The truth of the Gospel is the principal article of all Christian doctrine. . . . Most necessary is it that we know this article well, teach it to others, and beat it into their heads continually.

–Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Intro:

Encouragement \leftrightarrow Justification

The nature of justification (sec. 1)

Who are the justified?

What are they who are justified?

Why are they justified who are justified?

Faith’s relationship to works in Justification (sec. 2)

The basis of justification (sec. 3)

Justification with respect to:

Time (sec. 4)

Sin (sec. 5)

God’s redemptive plan (sec. 6)

Discussion:

Why then should we be encouraged by His justification of us?