## Heidelberg Catechism

## Question <br>  <br> "Since, then, by the righteous judgement of God we deserve temporal and eternal punishment, how may we escape this punishment and be again received into favor?"

[1] Ex. 20:5. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me,

Ex. 23:7. Keep far from a false charge, and do not kill the innocent and righteous, for I will not acquit the wicked.
[2] Rom. 8:3-4. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

## Personal Insight

Underline the key phrases in each verse citation and answer Question 12 in your own words.

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Answer

"God wills that His justice be satisfied; [1] therefore, we must make full satisfaction to that justice, either by ourselves or by another. [2]

## Personal Insight

If our debts could not be paid, either by ourselves or another, what would that say about God?
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## Worldly Application

Can someone get away with a crime on earth? What about in the sight of God?
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