

7. Read Article 25, paragraphs 2-4. Why is absolution to be so highly prized, and why is it such a privilege for us to use absolution?

8. Explain: God does not forgive the sins of those who do not repent of them.

9. Explain: God does not forgive the repentant because of their repentance.

10. Agree or Disagree? We get more out of private confession and absolution than public confession and absolution.

11. Read Article 12, paragraphs 7 and 8.
 - a. Cite a biblical example of a believer who lost the Holy Spirit and his faith.

 - b. Read 1 John 1:8. Can people ever reach a state of perfection in this life?

12. Read Article 12, paragraph 9. Read 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 and 2 Corinthians 2:6-8. What should we do when an errorist repents?

13. Compare King Saul with King David and Peter with Judas. Who was repentant and who wasn't, and why?