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ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH CONFIRMATION
THE APOSTLES' CREED

Lesson 18: "The Apostles' Creed, Part 5," (L18)
Year 1 (7th Grade)

After completing this lesson, the student will:

- *Can explain what is meant by Christ's state of exaltation.
- *Can share specifically what is meant by; descent into hell, resurrected, sits at the right hand of God.
- *Able to appreciate/share three blessings of knowing Christ rose from the dead.
- *Understand how sitting at Christ's right hand fulfills Christ's three holy offices.

1. Introduction:

Watch video: (Parents are to meet with students during instruction with this commandment).

2. Students are to get their second triangle, "God the Son." Add to that "God the Son" Triangle as you deem fit over this class.
3. Gather pictures of Marvel Comic superheroes or have students make a list of superheroes. Ask them which is their favorite? Why? Superheroes are those who use their super power and abilities when needed. Christ's state of exaltation is that He is now always in 'super power mode.' He will fully and always use His divine powers.
4. Write out Bible verse #487 below, which is Phil. 2:9-11 found on p. 137 in your Catechism.

THE SAVIOR IN THE STATE OF EXALTATION:

5. Go to question #142 on p. 138, "Which words of The Apostles' Creed describe the stages of Christ's exaltation?" (Write this on your triangle).
 - A. Fill in the chart below using them, (Hint, see Lesson 18, (L18)).

6. On p. 138, Question, 143, "Why is Christ's descent into hell part of His exaltation?"
- A. What happened to his body?
 - B. What did he do then?
 - C. According to Bible verse #488, "What did He go do in hell?"

D. On pp. 138-139, Answer question #144, "What do the Scriptures teach about Christ's resurrection?"

- 1. When did He rise?
- 2. What then did He do for the disciples?
- 3. What does it mean 'He rose?'
- 4. Fill in this Bible verse: #492, on p. 139. Acts 1:3, "He _____ Himself Alive to _____ after _____ suffering by many _____, appearing to them _____ forty days and _____ about the kingdom of _____."

E. On pp. 139-140, answer question #145, "Why is Christ's Resurrection so important and comforting?"

- A. List the four reasons.

B. True or false. Review the Bible verses Under A, B, C, and D., then answer;

- _____ Jesus said, "Destroy this temple if five days and I will raise it up."
- _____ The Spirit of holiness called Him the Son of God by His resurrection.
- _____ Christ was delivered up for our justification.
- _____ It doesn't really matter if Christ was raised or not.
- _____ Whoever believes in Jesus, even though they die, they will live forever.
- _____ Because Jesus lives, we have a 50-50% chance of living again.
- _____ Christ has been raised and is the first fruits of those fallen asleep.

7. On pp. 140-141, answer question #146, "What do the Scriptures teach about Christ's ascension?"
- A. How many days after resurrection?
 - B. In whose presence?
 - C. For which purpose?
- D. Read question #147, on p. 141, "What does it mean that Christ sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty?"
1. Christ is still true _____.
 2. Christ still exorcises divine _____ over the whole _____.
- *Explain how God works in human history for His Word to be shared?
- E. On question #148, "What comfort do we get from Christ's ascension to the right hand of God?" We know that the exalted _____-Man, Christ.
1. List one thing our Prophet does.
 2. Who did the Prophet send to you to proclaim the Gospel?
 3. What one thing does the Priest mainly do for us before the Father?
 4. Share two things our King does for and in benefit of His Church?
 5. Write down PROPHET, PRIEST OR KING if it fits what Christ does for us by sitting at God's right hand.
 - _____ Protects the church by giving religious freedoms.
 - _____ Pleads to God to forgive our sins.
 - _____ Sends pastors and teachers to share God's Word with us.
 - _____ Intercedes for us, when we sin and anger God.
 - _____ Sends the Holy Spirit to help us understand God's Word.
 - _____ He governs the whole world for the purpose of saving many.
8. From pp. 275 to 284, "**Symbols and Their Meanings**," find four symbols that specifically show our God-Man Christ in His state of Exaltation, using His divine power. Label them and place two of these pictures on your "God the Son," triangle.

CLOSING PRAYER: "Lord, you are the resurrection and the life and you promise that if I believe in You, even though I die, I will live forever and I too will be resurrected. Thank you. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen."