

## **Community CRC**

Sunday, December 1, 2013

### **The Heidelberg Catechism Part 2: Deliverance**

#### **Lord's Day 10**

##### **Question & Answer 27**

###### **Q. What do you understand by the providence of God?**

**A.** The almighty and ever present power of God by which God upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but by his fatherly hand (Acts 17:24-28; Matthew 5:45; Proverbs 16:33; Matthew 10:29-31; John 9:1-3).

##### **Question & Answer 28**

###### **Q. How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?**

**A.** We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved (Job 1:20-22; Ecclesiastes 7:13-14; Romans 8:38-39; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).

