THE

CONFESSION OF FAITH

OF THE

KIRK OF SCOTLAND:

OR, THE

NATIONAL COVENANT.

WITH

Defignation of such Acrs of PARLIAMENT as are expedient for justifying the Union after mentioned.



Josh. xxivi.5. So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set im a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.

2 Kings xing. And Jehoiada made a covenant between the Lord and the kinand the people, that they should be the Lord's people; between theing also and the people.

Is A. xliv. 5. Of hali fay, I am the Lord's; and another shall call bimself by the same of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his band un the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel.

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THE General Affembly having Shorter Catechism agreed u Divines fitting at Westminster, with sioners from this Kirk; do find, upon of, That the said Catechism is agreed and in nothing contrary to the recodiscipline, and government, of this approve the said Shorter Catechism, ed uniformity, to be a Directory for of weaker capacity.

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SHORTER CAT

QUESTION 1.

WHAT is the chief end of man?
Answer. Man's chief end is to
enjoy him for ever b.

Q. 2. What rule bath God given

glorify and enjoy him?

A. The word of God, which is con of the old and new testaments; is thow we may glorify and enjoy him

1.* I Cor. x. 31. Whether, therefore, ye cat, or drink, or whatfoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. Rom. xi. 36. For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

b Pfal. Ixxiii. 25. Whom have I in heaven but thee? and there is none upon earth that I defire besides thee. V. 26. My stell and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever. V. 27. For, lo, they that are far from thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all

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The Practical Use of Saving Knowledge. " of fin, and amendment of life, he wanteth not only all " evidence of faving faith, but also all appearance of his " election, fo long as he remaineth in this condition: "But I (may every impenitent person say) am neither " by the law nor gospel so convinced of sin, righteousness " and judgment, as to make me come to Christ, and em-" ploy him daily for remission of sin, and amendment of "Therefore I want not only all evidence of faving faith; but also all appearance of my election, so long as I re-" main in this condition." 10. th pay of April 1743

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Assembly at EDINBURGH, August 17. 1

The General Assembly's Approba SOLEMN LEAGUE and COVE

THE Affembly having recommended unto appointed by them to join with the Con Honourable Convention of Estates, and the of the Honourable Houses of the Parliamen for bringing the kingdoms to a more near co union, received from the forefaid Committ nant after mentioned, as the refult of their and, having taken the same as a matter of I cernment, and fo deep importance doth requ gravest consideration, did, with all their hea the beginnings of the feelings of that joy, w find in fo great measure upon the renovati tional Covenant of this kirk and kingdom, voice approve and embrace the fame, as the mean, by the bleffing of GOD for fettling a the true Protestant religion with perfect pea jesty's dominions, and propagating the same tions, and for establishing his Majesty's thro and generations. And therefore, with their I recommend the fame to the Honourable (Estates, that, being examined and approved may be fent with all diligence to the kingdon that, being received and approven there, th be, with publick humiliation, and all religiou able folemnity, fworn and fubfcribed by all to of the reformed religion, and all his Majel jects in both kingdoms.

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Act of the Commission of the General As for renewing the Solemn League and Co.

THE Commission of the General Assembly con that a great part of this land have involved the in many and grofs breaches of the Solemn League a nant; and that the hands of many are grown flack i ing and purfuing the duties contained therein; and th who, not being come to fufficient age, when it was fi and subscribed, have not hitherto been received fame; do, upon thefe, and other grave and import fiderations, appoint and ordain the Solemn League an nant to be renewed throughout all the congregation kingdom. And, because it is a duty of great weight consequence, ministers, after the fight hereof, would ful to take pains, in their doctrine and otherwise, that people may be made fensible of these things where have broken the Covenant, and be prepared for t newing thereof with fuitable affections and dispos And, that these things may be the better perform have thought it necessary to condescend upon a S Acknowledgment of Publick Sins and Breaches of the nant, and a Solemn Engagement to all the Duties com therein, namely, those which do in a more special way unto the Dangers of these times: And this Solemn Ach ledgment and Engagement, fent herewith, shall be made of, and the League and Covenant shall be renewed in manner as follows: First, There shall be an intimation folerin publick humiliation and fall the fecond Sabba December, to be kept upon the next Thursday, and the L day thereafter; at which intimation, the League and C nant, and the Publick Acknowledgment of Sins, and Eng ment unto Duties, are to be publickly read by the mini in the audience of all the people; and they are to be exho to get copies thereof, that they may be made acquain therewith; and the humiliation and fast is to be kept next Thursday thereafter, in reference to the breaches of Covenant, contained in the folernn publick Acknowledgme as the causes thereof; and the next Lord's day thereas which is also to be spent in publick humiliation and fasti

cepted by God in Christ, and rewarded, Con. xvi. 6. The works of unregenerate men cannot please God, and why, Con. xvi. 7. But to neglect to do what God commands is more finful, ib. All perfons shall, in the day of judgment, receive according to what they have done in the body, whether good or evil, Con. XXXIII. Y.

Worship. To God is due from his creatures whatever worship he is pleafed to require, Con. it. 2. The light of nature sheweth that God is to be worthipped, Con. xxi. 1. But the acceptable way of worshipping God is inflitured by himielf in the fcriptures, ib. He may not be worihipped according to the imaginations and devices of men, Con. exit i. Cat. 109. False worship is to be opposed, Cat. 108. As a way worship not instituted od himself, Cat. 109. But

there are fome circumftances concerning the worship of God which are to be ordered by the light of nature and Christian prudence, according to the general rules of the word, Con. i. 6. Religious worship is to be given to God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghoft, and to him alone: and that only in the mediation of Christ, Con. XX. 2. Cat. 179, 181. The parts of religious worthip, Con. xxi. 3, 5. Religious worship not tied to any place, but God is to be worshipped every where in spirit and truth. as in private families daily, and in fecret, each one by himfelf; fo more folemnly in the publick allemblies, which are not to be neglected, Con. xxi. 6.

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