LESSON TWO: Behaving Like Christ

WHAT DOES A CHURCH DO?

I. Be A Faithful "WIFE": Acts 2:42-47

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II. The Sacraments (First Catechism: questions 122-136)

A. There are two sacraments: B _ _ _ _ _ _ and the L _ _ _ '_ S _ _ _ _ _.

B. Sacraments (questions 122 – 125)

1. Are commanded by God (but they don't save us)
2. Point to God's covenant with us (Genesis 17:7)
3. Picture what God has done for us and what He gives to us in Christ
4. Bear witness that God does what He says He will do
5. Mark us as belonging to God and to His people
6. Call us to love and serve God
7. Help us to be spiritually strong

C. Baptism (questions 126 – 132)

1. Is a "washing with water"
2. Is only done once
3. If a person has not been baptized as an infant, he/she is baptized when they join the church

D. The Lord's Supper (questions 133-136)

1. Is done with bread and wine (grape juice)
2. Is to be done often
3. Those who take part in the Lord's Supper should "examine themselves" as to their knowledge and discernment of what the sacrament means, repentance of sins, faith in Jesus, love for God and for others, and for a desire to serve the Lord.

We should be sincere (honest before God), instructed (as to the meaning and purpose of the Lord's Supper) and accountable (part of the church).