

Christ's glory in being seated at the right hand of the Father and His impending return is an exceptionally comforting reality for the Christian!

- I. **Our King in Glory (Q# 49)**
 - A. Figurative not literal
 - B. Meaning of the right hand

- II. **The Blessings of Being the King's Subjects (Q# 50)**
 - A. Real and present help
 - B. The Covenant of Grace is efficacious and permanent on the basis of Christ
 - C. We may pray with confidence of being heard on the basis of Christ's intercession
 - D. Christ gives his Holy Spirit to his church to edify her and to advance his kingdom
 - E. He defends his church against all enemies worldly and spiritual

- III. **The Return of the King (Q# 51)**
 - A. Looking with anticipation
 - B. Vindication
 - C. Glorification

Question 49:

Why is it further said, “He sits at the right hand of God”?

Answer:

Because Christ is ascended into heaven, to show there that He is the head of His Church, by whom the Father governs all things.

Question 50:

What profit is this glory of our head Christ to us?

Answer:

First, that through His Holy Spirit, He pours upon us, His members, heavenly graces, and that He shields and defends us by His power against all our enemies.

Question 51:

What comfort do you have by the coming of Christ again to judge the living and the dead?

Answer:

That in all my miseries and persecutions, I look with my head lifted up, for the very same who before yielded Himself to the judgment of God for me, and took away all malediction from me, will come as judge from heaven to throw all His and my enemies into everlasting pains. He will also translate me with all His chosen to Himself, into celestial joys, and everlasting glory.