

# Witness Bearing

Based on *Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord's Day 43, Q. 112

1. Pro - tect me, Lord, from false-hood and de - ceit, That I not bear false  
2. Point me, dear Lord, to Christ who is the Truth, The Faith-ful Wit - ness  
3. O Lord, through me pro - mote what's good and right, That I would love the

wit - ness nor tell lies; Keep me from slan - der and from gos - sip - ing;  
and the Liv - ing Word, Our Righteousness: whose coal has touched my mouth,  
truth and live it out; Walk - ing up - right - ly in Your ho - ly sight;

May I not rash - ly judge or be un - wise. Help me to see such as  
In - iq - ui - ty re - moved, my sin is purged. I now speak gos - pel truth,  
Bold - ly con - fess - ing Christ with - out a doubt. Help me de - fend and hon -

the dev - il's works; The wrath of God brought down on all per - verse.  
con - fess His Name, For He has borne my shame, e - rased my blame.  
our oth - ers too, Show - ing the love of Christ in all I do.

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