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A Christ executeth the office of a prophet, in his revealing to the church,¹ in all ages, by his Spirit and Word,² in divers ways of administration,³ the whole will of God,⁴ in all things concerning their edification and salvation.⁵

1. John 1:18. 2. 1 Pet. 1:10–12. 3. Heb. 1:1–2. 4. John 15:15. 5. Acts 20:32; Eph. 4:11–13; John 20:31.

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A Christ executeth the office of a king, in calling out of the world a people to himself,¹ and giving them officers,² laws,³ and censures, by which he visibly governs them;⁴ in bestowing saving grace upon his elect,⁵ rewarding their obedience,⁶ and correcting them for their sins,⁷ preserving and supporting them under all their temptations and sufferings,⁸ restraining and overcoming all their enemies,⁹ and powerfully ordering all things for his own glory,¹⁰ and their good;¹¹ and also in taking vengeance on the rest, who know not God, and obey not the gospel.¹²

1. Acts 15:14–16; Gen. 49:10; Ps. 110:3; John 17:2. 2. Eph. 4:11–12; 1 Cor. 12:28. 3. Isa. 33:22. 4. Matt. 18:17–18; 1 Cor. 5: 4–5. 5. Acts 5:31. 6. Rev. 22:12; Rev. 2:10. 7. Rev. 3:19. 8. Isa. 63:9. 9. 1 Cor. 15:25; Ps. 110:1–2. 10. Rom. 14:10–11. 11. Rom. 8:28. 12. 2 Thess. 1:8–9; Ps. 2:8–9.

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