

# Living the Truth: Chapter 45

## Confirmation

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# Confirmation is a sacrament

Confirmation is a sacrament that gives us light and strength to live as perfect **soliders of Christ**.

# Confirmation makes us adults

It makes us adults in the supernatural order. See also Baptism.

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# His promise to send the Holy Ghost

After His Ascension...

*It is expedient to you that I go; for, if I go, **I will send Him to you.***

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# Form

*“I sign thee with the sign of the Cross, and I confirm thee with the chrism of salvation, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”*

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# Immediate

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