

Week Three

Hymn – These the Holy Ten Commands

Invocation

Lesson

Review First Table

First Commandment – Trust, before God's face

Second Commandment – oaths, cursing, false teaching

Third Commandment – preaching, sacred, despising

Genesis 3 – our first parents

Catechesis – The Fourth Commandment

Explain Gen 3

Catechism review

Two Tables of the Law

Text of the Catechism – Fourth Commandment

Honor (beyond obedience)

Father, Mother – foundation of all authority, foundation for all mankind

- Distinct from others – we are only commanded to love others, honor is more (we honor because of the authority behind them)
- Honor – [attitude] modesty, humility, submission, [works] provide for them in their need, must not forget them [ESPECIALLY when they are old]
- NO BETTER WORK AMONG MEN
- This includes all who stand in the place of our parents ([HOME] grandparents, foster, step, teachers, bosses [Church] pastors, SS teachers, youth leaders, etc. [State] Government officials)
- Good examples – Joseph (respected Jacob), Ruth (served Naomi), Samuel (obeyed his mother, obedient pupil), Isaac (obeyed Abraham),

Despise, anger

- Absalom (2 Sam 15:1-14)
- Esau – unkind, cause grief, stubborn, disobedient, talk back

Situation in the world is directly related to this Commandment

- If people followed it, the world would be more peaceful, safe, etc.

First Commandment with a promise

- That you may live long
- Reward – happy, fortunate days
- Punishment – die sooner, not enjoy life
- Not just long life, but health, wife, children, livelihood, peace, good government etc.
- Disobedient live bad lives filled with problems

Fathers by blood vs. Fathers by office

- "Other authorities"
- Government
 - o Acts 4 – obedience to God more than this
- Pastors

Jesus Kept the Fourth Commandment (active obedience)

- Luke 2:51 He obeyed his parents
- Makes provision for Mary even while dying
- Respected the office of the priests of his day

- Obedience to the government of His day, paying taxes, submitted to unjust rulers.

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Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Catechumens

Evening Prayer

Blessing

Hymn – These the Holy Ten Commands (stanzas 1-5)