

Week Five

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

Review Fourth Commandment/Table of Duties [God-given earthly authorities]

Genesis 2; Ephesians 5

Catechesis – The Fifth & Sixth Commandments

Explain Genesis 1; Genesis 4

Catechism review

Text of the Catechism – Fifth Commandment

Life is sacred

- "Murder"
 - Capital Punishment? Defensive warfare?
 - Forbidden to kill with hand, heart, word, sign, gesture, give aid to a killer
- Hurt nor harm... body.
 - Do not injure anyone
 - Forbids curses, revenge
 - Forbids use of tongue
 - Even against those who hate you.
- Help
 - If you can help but do not, you are guilty (omission)
 - Do not withhold love or allow harm
 - Show kindness and love to all (especially enemies)
- Anger (Matthew 5:21-26)
 - 1 John If we do not love what we have seen we cannot love God who we have not seen.
- Abortion – killing unborn babies
- Euthanasia – killing frail, old, weak
- How did Jesus keep the Fifth Commandment?
 - His life for others sake
 - Kind, helped those who were sick, orphans, widows, etc.
 - Prayed for his enemies

The Sixth Commandment

Explain Genesis 2; Ephesians 5

Text of the Catechism – Sixth Commandment

- 5th protects life. 6th protects next closest thing – spouse (marriage)
- Forbids unchaste thoughts, words, deeds.
 - Things related to marriage, things that defile marriage, speak poorly of marriage or against God's design for marriage
- Marriage – God's first created institution
 - 1 Man and 1 Woman
 - Differences

- Love in marriage is a good work
- Lifelong
 - Till death us do part
 - Divorce is a sin against this commandment
- Be fruitful, multiply – for the giving of children
- Helper – companionship
- Image of Christ and His Church
- Best estate given by God
- How did Jesus keep the Sixth Commandment?
 - Pure, chaste life
 - Praised Marriage as the gift that it is
 - He is the perfect “husband” to the Church

Creed

Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Catechumens

Evening Prayer

Blessing

Hymn – These the Holy Ten Commands (stanzas 1-7)