

9/25/22 Catechism Handout

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Hymns:

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Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.

Refrain:

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“Doxology” by The David Crowder Band

Catechism:

1. Who made you?

God made me.

(Genesis 1:26, 27; 2:7; Ecclesiastes 12:1; Acts 17:24-29)

2. What else did God make?

God made all things.

(Genesis 1, especially verses 1, 31; Acts 14:15; Romans 11:36; Colossians 1:16)

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Catechism:

6. Are there more gods than one?

No. There is only one God.

(Deuteronomy 6:4; Jeremiah 10:10; Mark 12:29; Acts 17:22-31)

7. In how many persons does this one God exist?

In three Persons.

(Matthew 3:16, 17; John 5:23; 10:30; 14:9,10; 15:26; 16:13-15; 1 John 5:20, 2 John 9; Revelation 1:4, 5)

8. Who are these three Persons?

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

(Matthew 28:19; 1 Corinthians 8:6; 2 Corinthians 13:14; 1 Peter 1:2; Jude 20, 21)

9. Who is God?

God is a Spirit and does not have a body like men.

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27. Who tempted them to commit this sin?

The devil.

(Genesis 3:1-13; 2 Corinthians 11:3; 1 Timothy 2:13, 14; Revelation 12:9)

28. What happened to our first parents (Adam and Eve) when they sinned?

Instead of being holy and happy, they became sinful and miserable.
(Genesis 3:14-24; 4:1-24; James 1:14, 15)

29. What effect did the sin of Adam have on all mankind?

All mankind is born in a state of sin and misery.

(Psalm 51:5; Romans 5:12, 18, 19; 1 Corinthians 5:21, 22; 1 John 5:19)

30. What do we inherit from Adam as a result of this original sin?

Sin and a sinful nature.

(1 Kings 8:46; Psalm 14:2, 3; 58:3; Ecclesiastes 9:3; Matthew 15:18-20; John 2:24, 25; Romans 8:7)

31. What does every sin and sinner deserve?

The anger and judgment of God.

(Deuteronomy 27:26; Romans 1:18; 2:2; Galatians 3:10; Ephesians 5:6)

32. Can anyone go to Heaven with this sin and sinful nature?

No. Our hearts must be changed before we can be fit for heaven.

(Jeremiah 31:33, 34; Ezekiel 36:25-27; John 1:12, 13; 3:1-10; 1 John 5:1, 4, 18)

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Other: **OLD TESTAMENT, NEW TESTAMENT**

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Catechism:

76. What is the third commandment?

The third commandment is, “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.”

(Exodus 20:7; Deuteronomy 5:11)

77. What does the third commandment teach us?

To reverence God’s name, word, and works.

(Isaiah 8:13; Psalm 29:2; 138:2; Revelation 15:3, 4)

78. What is the fourth commandment?

The fourth commandment is, “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.”

(Exodus 20:8-11; 23:12; Deuteronomy 5:12-15)

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Hymns: (Find on church app, website, or church YouTube channel):

Bible Reading:

Proverbs, Gospel of John, and 1 John

Catechism:

7. How many persons are there in the Godhead?

There are three persons in the Godhead: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

(Matthew 28:19; John 10:30; Acts 5:3-4; 2 Corinthians 13:14)

8. What are the decrees of God?

The decrees of God are His eternal purpose, according to the counsel of His will, whereby, for His own glory, He has foreordained whatsoever comes to pass. (Daniel 4:35; Romans 11:36; Ephesians 1:4, 11-12)

9. How does God execute His decrees?

God executes His decrees in the works of creation and providence. (Ephesians 1:11; Revelation 4:11)

10. What is God’s work of creation?

Creation is God making all things out of nothing, by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very good. (Genesis 1:1-31; Exodus 20:11; Colossians 1:16; Hebrews 11:3)

11. How did God create mankind?

God created man, male and female, after His own image, in knowledge, righteousness and holiness, with dominion over His creatures.

(Genesis 1:26-28; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10)

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Catechism:

67. What is required in the fifth commandment?

The fifth commandment requires the preserving the honor of, and performing the duties belonging to, every one in their several places and relations, as superiors, inferiors, or equals.

(Romans 12:10; 13:1; Ephesians 5:21-23; 6:1-2, 5, 9; 1 Peter 2:13-14, 17)

68. What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?

The fifth commandment forbids the neglecting of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty which belongs to every one in their several places and relations.

(Ezekiel 34:2; Matthew 15:4-6; Romans 13:7-8)

69. What is the reason attached to the fifth commandment?

The reason attached to the fifth commandment is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God’s glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

(Deuteronomy 5:16; Ephesians 6:2-3)

70. What is the sixth commandment?

The sixth commandment is, “You shall not murder.”

(Exodus 20:13)

71. What is required in the sixth commandment?

The sixth commandment requires all lawful endeavors to preserve your own life, and the life of others.

(1 Kings 18:4; Job 29:13; Psalm 82:3-4; Ephesians 5:28-29)

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Bible Reading:

Genesis, Proverbs, John, Romans, Galatians – Revelation

Catechism:

4. What does God’s law require of us?

Christ summarizes the law in Matthew 22:37-39—“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.” (Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18)

5. Can you live up to all this perfectly?

No. I have a natural tendency to hate God and my neighbor. (Romans 3:9-20; 1 John 1:8, 10; Genesis 6:5; Jeremiah 17:9; Romans 7:23, 24; 8:7; Ephesians 2:1-3; Titus 3:3)

6. Did God create man wicked and perverse?

No. God created man good, and in His own image, that is, in true righteousness and holiness, that he might truly know God his Creator, love Him with all his heart, and live with Him in eternal happiness for His praise and glory. (Genesis 1:31; 1:26, 27; Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10; Psalm 8)

7. Then where does man’s corrupt nature come from?

From the fall and disobedience of our first parents, Adam and Eve, in Paradise. This fall has so poisoned our nature that we are all born sinners—corrupt from conception on. (Genesis 3; Romans 5:12, 18, 19; Psalm 51:5)

8. But are we so corrupt that we are totally unable to do any good and inclined toward all evil?

Yes, unless we are born again, by the Spirit of God. (Genesis 6:5; 8:21; Job 14:4; Isaiah 53:6; John 3:3-5)

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Catechism:

57. How does the article concerning “life everlasting” comfort you?

Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear heard, no man has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God eternally. (Romans 14:17; John 17:3; 1 Corinthians 2:9)

58. What good does it do you, however, to believe all this?

In Christ I am right with God and heir to life everlasting. (John 3:36; Romans 1:17 [Habakkuk 2:4]; Romans 5:1,2)

59. How are you right with God?

Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God’s commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to receive this gift of God with a repentant and believing heart. (Romans 3:21-28; Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 2:8, 9; Philippians 3:8-11; Romans 3:9, 10; 7:23; Titus 3:4, 5; Romans 3:24; Ephesians 2:8; Romans 4:3-5 [Genesis 15:6]; 2 Corinthians 5:17-19; 1 John 2:1, 2; Romans 4:24, 25; 2 Corinthians 5:21; John 3:18; Acts 16:30, 31)

60. Why do you say that by faith alone you are right with God?

It is not because of any value my faith has that God is pleased with me. Only Christ’s satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me right with God. And I can receive this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than by faith alone. (1 Corinthians 1:30, 31; Romans 10:10; 1 John 5:10-12)

61. Why can’t the good we do make us right with God, or at least help make us right with Him?

Because the righteousness which can pass God’s scrutiny must be entirely perfect and must in every way measure up to the divine law. Even the very best we do in this life is imperfect and stained with sin. (Romans 3:20; Galatians 3:10 [Deuteronomy 27:26]; Isaiah 64:6)

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