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Hymns: “Jesus loves me” (verse 1)

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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:

9. Who is God?

God is a Spirit and does not have a body like men.
(John 4:24; 2 Corinthians 3:17; 1 Timothy 1:17)

10. Where is God?

God is everywhere.
(Psalm 139:7-12; Jeremiah 23:23, 24; Acts 17:27, 28)

11. Can you see God?

No. I cannot see God, but He always sees me.
(Exodus 33:20; John 1:18; 1 Timothy 6:16; Psalm 139, especially verses 1-5; Proverbs 5:21; Hebrews 4:12,13)

12. Does God know all things?

Yes. Nothing can be hidden from God.
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“Holy, Holy, Holy” by Sovereign Grace Music

Catechism:

19. Do you have a soul as well as a body?

Yes. I have a soul that can never die.

(Matthew 10:28; Mark 8:34-38; 12:30)

20. How do you know that you have a soul?

Because the Bible tells me so.

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21. In what condition did God create Adam and Eve?

He made them holy and happy.

(Genesis 1:26-28; Psalm 8:4-8)

22. Did Adam and Eve stay holy and happy?

No. They sinned against God.

(Genesis 3:1-7; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Hosea 6:7 where “men” = Adam)

23. What is sin?

Sin is being, desiring, or doing anything against God’s perfect moral law.

(1 John 3:4; Romans 3:20; James 2:9-11)

24. Are you a sinner?

Yes. I am a sinner. Everyone is a sinner except Jesus.

(Romans 3:9-20; Romans 3:23)

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Other: The Ten Commandments (summarized – Exodus 20:1-17)
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Catechism:

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75. What does the second commandment teach us?

To worship God in the right way and to avoid idolatry. (Isaiah 44:9-20; 46:5-9; John 4:23, 24; Acts 17:29)

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Other: **OLD TESTAMENT, NEW TESTAMENT**

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

Catechism:

129. Will Christ come again?

Yes. At the last day He will come again to judge the world. (Matthew 25:31-46; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10; 2 Timothy 4:1)

130. What happens to men when they die?

The body returns to dust and the soul goes into comfort or torment. (Genesis 3:19; Ecclesiastes 12:7; 2 Corinthians 5:1-6)

131. Will the bodies of the dead be raised to life again?

Yes. “There will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.” (Daniel 12:2; John 5:28, 29; Acts 24:14, 15)

132. What will happen to the wicked in the day of judgment?

They shall be cast into hell. (Psalm 9:16, 17; Luke 12:5; Revelation 20:12-15)

133. What is hell?

A place of dreadful and endless punishment. (Matthew 25:46; Mark 9:43-48; Luke 16:19-31)

134. What will happen to the righteous in the day of judgment?

They will live with Christ forever in a new heaven and new earth. (Isaiah 66:22; 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17; 2 Peter 3:10-13; Revelation 21:1-4)

135. What is heaven?

A glorious and a happy place, where the righteous shall be forever with the Lord. (John 14:2, 3; 1 Thessalonians 4:17; Revelation 21:1-4)

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

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Catechism:

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53. What is required in the second commandment?

The second commandment requires the receiving, observing, keeping pure and whole, all such religious worship and ordinances as God has appointed in His Word. (Deuteronomy 12:13-14, 32:46; Matthew 28:20; Mark 7:6-8; John 4:24; Acts 2:42)

54. What is forbidden in the second commandment?

The second commandment forbids the worshipping of God by images, or any other way not given in His word. (Leviticus 10:1-2; Deuteronomy 4:15-19; 12:30-32)

55. What are the reasons given for the second commandment?

God’s sovereignty over us, His ownership of us, and the zeal He has for His own worship. (Exodus 34:13-14; Psalm 95:2-3, 6; 100:2-3; 106:19, 21, 23)

56. What is the third commandment?

The third commandment is, “You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.” (Exodus 20:17)

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Catechism:

112. What do Christians pray for in the fourth petition?

In the fourth petition (“Give us this day our daily bread”) Christians pray that of God’s free gift they may receive a needed portion of the good things of this life and enjoy His blessing with them. (Psalm 90:17; Proverbs 30:8-9; Matthew 6:11; 1 Timothy 4:4-5)

113. What do Christians pray for in the fifth petition?

In the fifth petition (“And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors”) Christians pray that God, for Christ’s sake, would freely pardon all their sins; which they are more readily encouraged to ask, because by His grace they are enabled from the heart to forgive others. (Psalm 51:1-2, 7, 9; Daniel 19:17-19; Matthew 6:12; 18:35; Luke 11:4)

114. What do Christians pray for in the sixth petition?

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115. What does the conclusion of the Lord’s Prayer teach His disciples?

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45. What does it mean that “He ascended into Heaven?”

That Christ, while His disciples watched, was lifted up from the earth into heaven and will be there for our good until He returns to judge the living and the dead. (Luke 24:50, 51; Acts 1:9-11; Romans 8:34; Ephesians 4:8-18; Hebrews 7:23-25; 9:24; Acts 1:11)

46. But isn’t Christ with us until the end of the world as He promised us?

Christ is true Man and true God. In His human nature, Christ is not now on earth; but in His divinity, He is never absent from us. (Matthew 28:20; Acts 1:9-11; 3:19-21; Matthew 28:18-20; John 14:16-19)

47. If Christ’s humanity is not present everywhere, then are the two natures of Christ separate from each other?

Certainly not. The two natures are united in God the Son, the Divine Person. He acts through both His human nature and His divine nature. There is unity of the natures in God the Son without mixture; there is distinction of the natures in God the Son without separation. (Jeremiah 23:23, 24; Acts 7:48-49; John 1:14; 3:13; Colossians 2:9)

48. How does Christ’s ascension into heaven benefit us?

First, He pleads our cause in heaven in the presence of His Father. Second, we have our own humanity in heaven—a guarantee that Christ our Head will take us, His members, to Himself in heaven. Third, He sends His Spirit to us on earth as a further guarantee. By the Spirit’s power, we make the goal of our lives heavenly things not earthly things, but the things above, where Christ is sitting at God’s right hand. (Romans 8:34; 1 John 2:1; John 14:2; 17:24; Ephesians 2:4-6; John 14:16; 2 Corinthians 1:21, 22; 5:5; Colossians 3:1-4)

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Catechism:

99. What is God’s will for us in the sixth commandment?

I am not to belittle, insult, hate, or kill my neighbor—not by my thoughts, words, looks, gestures, and certainly not by my actions—and I am not to participate in this with others; or recklessly endanger myself either.

(Genesis 9:6; Leviticus 19:17,18; Matthew 5:21,22; 26:52; Proverbs 25:21,22; Matthew 18:35; Ephesians 4:26; Matthew 4:7; 26:52; Romans 13:11-14; Genesis 9:6; Exodus 21:14; Romans 13:4)

100. Does this commandment refer only to killing?

By condemning murder, God teaches us that He hates the root of murder: envy, hatred, anger, malice. In God’s sight all of these are murder in our hearts. (Proverbs 14:30; Romans 1:29; 12:19; Galatians 5:19-21; 1 John 2:9-11; 3:15)

101. Are we obedient to God if we do not kill but hate our neighbor?

No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger, God tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly to him, to protect him from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies. (Matthew 7:12; 22:39; Romans 12:10; Matthew 5:3-12; Luke 6:36; Romans 12:10, 18; Galatians 6:1-2; Ephesians 4:2; Colossians 3:12; 1 Peter 3:8; Exodus 23:4-5; Matthew 5:44-45; Romans 12:20-21)

102. What is God’s will for us in the seventh commandment?

God condemns all sexual immorality. We should therefore hate it with all our hearts. Married or single, we should live pure and holy lives.

(Leviticus 18:30; Ephesians 5:3-5; Jude 1:22, 23; 1 Corinthians 7:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8; Hebrews 13:4)

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101. Are we obedient to God if we do not kill but hate our neighbor?

No. By condemning envy, hatred, and anger, God tells us to love our neighbor as ourselves, to be patient, peace-loving, gentle, merciful, and friendly to him, to protect him from harm as much as we can, and to do good even to our enemies. (Matthew 7:12; 22:39; Romans 12:10; Matthew 5:3-12; Luke 6:36; Romans 12:10, 18; Galatians 6:1-2; Ephesians 4:2; Colossians 3:12; 1 Peter 3:8; Exodus 23:4-5; Matthew 5:44-45; Romans 12:20-21)

102. What is God’s will for us in the seventh commandment?

God condemns all sexual immorality. We should therefore hate it with all our hearts. Married or single, we should live pure and holy lives.

(Leviticus 18:30; Ephesians 5:3-5; Jude 1:22, 23; 1 Corinthians 7:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-8; Hebrews 13:4)