

own because of our sinful nature that remains. But God Himself again provides the grace and power to live for Him by the power of the Holy Spirit. If you want to believe in Jesus and be in Heaven forever with Him, you must cry out to Him and ask Him to save you. The bible says that Jesus is the 'doctor' for sinners like us. He heals us and forgives us, and He changes us from the inside out!

Object Lesson - Hold something broken and then repaired.

Explain: sin breaks our relationship with God, but Jesus restores us so we can glorify Him again.

Ask & Explain - Q: Why don't we always glorify God?

A: Because of sin, we turn from Him—but through Jesus we are forgiven and restored.

Go Deeper - How does the gospel change our motivation from duty to delight when it comes to glorifying God?

Day 5 - Living to Glorify God!

Scripture: Galatians 5:16 "But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh."

We have already discussed what generally it means to glorify God, but how exactly do you do that? Firstly, you must be someone who has believed in Jesus, only Christians have the Holy Spirit and can please God. Secondly, you should ask God to help you to walk by the power of the Spirit. The Christian life is a relationship with the Living God, and God is our Father! When you want something you go to your Dad. It is the same with God, we ought always to go to Him. Furthermore, God has given us the Bible, which is His Word. In it we find the very words of life that the Holy Spirit uses to guide us and give us discernment and wisdom for every situation. Immerse yourself in God's Word and spending time with God in prayer and you will find that you will grow in your ability to discern what God's will is in every moment. When we, image bearers of God, carry out His will in our lives we shine like lights for Him. And I assure you that when we are in Heaven we will wish that we have lived for Jesus with everything in us.

Object Lesson - Light a candle in a dark room.

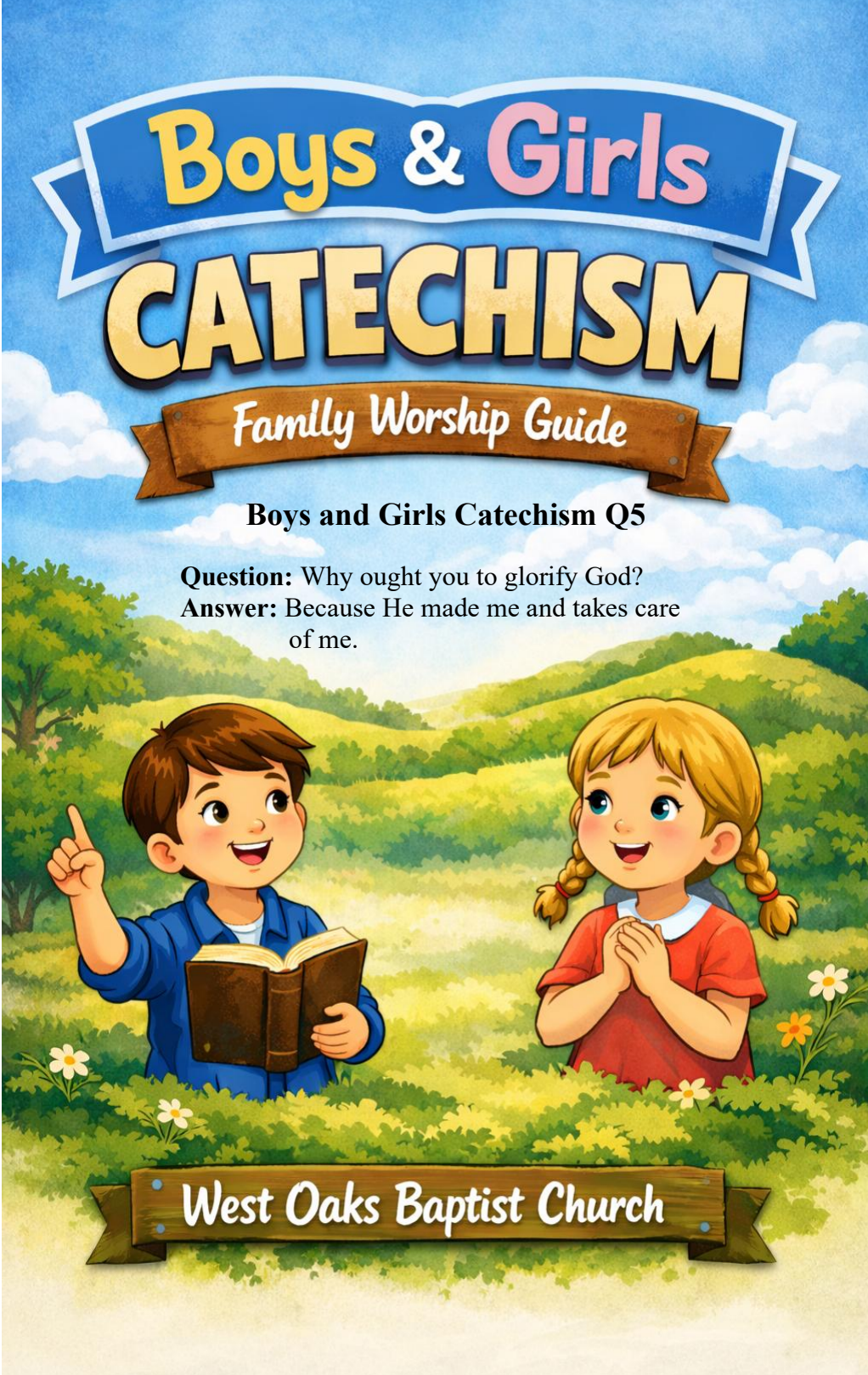
Explain: even a small light makes a difference. Our lives can shine for God in everyday actions.

Ask & Explain - Q: How can we glorify God daily?

A: By obeying Him, trusting Him, and giving thanks in everything we do.

Go Deeper

What specific habits or disciplines can you build into your life to consistently glorify God in both ordinary and difficult circumstances?

The image is a colorful illustration for a catechism guide. At the top, a blue banner with a white border contains the text 'Boys & Girls' in yellow and pink. Below this, the word 'CATECHISM' is written in large, bold, yellow letters with a black outline. Underneath, a brown ribbon banner reads 'Family Worship Guide'. The title 'Boys and Girls Catechism Q5' is centered below the ribbon. The main illustration shows a young boy with brown hair, wearing a blue shirt, holding an open book and pointing upwards. Next to him is a young girl with blonde hair in pigtails, wearing a red dress, with her hands clasped in prayer. They are standing in a lush green field with rolling hills and a blue sky with white clouds in the background. At the bottom, a brown ribbon banner reads 'West Oaks Baptist Church'.

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Family Worship Guide

Boys and Girls Catechism Q5

Question: Why ought you to glorify God?

Answer: Because He made me and takes care of me.

West Oaks Baptist Church

Day 1 - God made you!

Scripture: "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created." Revelation 4:11

Do you know what it means to be created by God? Well of course you do! Think back to the first question in this catechism – Q. ‘Who made you?’ A. ‘God made me’. We know God made us and that we are made in His image. But it’s important to understand how God created us and how it is different from when we make things. For example, when you play with sand at the beach you take sand from the shore and make a castle. That is not how God made you and everything else. The truth is that God came up with you and has know about you from eternity past! In Jeremiah 1:4 God said to Jeremiah, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you’. God is love, and in His love, He fashioned every part of your being. You would not be here if not for Him. He has given you every good thing in your life. Your parents, every breath, every ice cream, and everything else. Therefore, we owe everything to Him and are to glorify Him with our whole beings. And God has good plans for you, if you turn to Him through Jesus and give your life to Him.

Object Lesson - Hold a handmade item. Ask: “Who made this?”

Then explain: just as the maker deserves credit, God deserves glory because He made us.

Ask & Explain – Q: Why should we glorify God for making us?

A: Because He is our Creator, and everything we are comes from Him, so He deserves our praise.

Go Deeper - How does believing that God created you with purpose change how you think about your identity, worth, and daily choices?

Day 2 - God is good to you!

Scripture: ‘Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.’ James 1:17

In the last lesson, we talked about how everything good thing, including ourselves, comes as a gift from God. This is because God is a good God, beyond anything that we can understand. God is love, and in His love He takes care of us. He gives us food, water, family, fresh air. All good things come directly from His hand and show His great love for you. When we understand this, the question becomes not ‘why are we to glorify God’, but how can I not glorify God? But how much more sad it is that we don’t give Him in our lives the glory He deserves. This is why Jesus had to die for us, because we are sinners whose hearts are prone to wander away from the God of love, which makes us deserving of God’s wrath. But even though you are a wrath-deserving sinner who has not appreciated God’s care as He deserves, the Living God of love still cares for you and has provided the ultimate act of care in giving His only Son, Jesus Christ, to save your soul forever and so that you could spend forever with Him in Heaven.

Object Lesson - Show a plant being watered.

Explain: just as the plant needs constant care to live, we depend on God every moment

for everything.

Ask & Explain - Q: Why should we glorify God for caring for us?

A: Because He provides everything we need and sustains our lives every day.

Go Deeper

How does God’s daily provision challenge our tendency to worry, complain, or take His blessings for granted?

Day 3 - God made you special!

Scripture: “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.” Genesis 1:17

When God created mankind and placed us in the Garden of Eden, He made mankind particularly special compared to the rest of His creation. He made us special in that we alone get to be crafted in His image! Now that is obviously a big deal, but what does it mean? Well, for one an image gives a picture of something that is bigger than the picture itself. When you look at a picture and see your parents and siblings, that picture represents your family. It probably produces in you feelings and memories of them. In the same way when all creation looks at us, they ought to see and be reminded of the goodness and glory of our God. So, we are representatives of God by our very nature, which is different from animals like dogs, bears, and tigers. Other creatures are important to God, but not nearly in the same way we are. When we do good things, we reflect His goodness in a special way. And that is our great duty! To glorify God in living for Him and carrying out His good works He has prepared for us.

Object Lesson - Use a mirror.

Explain: a mirror reflects what is in front of it. Our lives should reflect God’s greatness to others.

Ask & Explain - Q: What does it mean to glorify God?

A: It means to show how great He is by trusting, obeying, and worshiping Him in all we do.

Go Deeper

In what practical ways can your daily routines—work, conversations, decisions—become acts of glorifying God rather than serving yourself?

Day 4 - God is forgiving!

Scripture: 1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

As we talked about in the last lesson, we are to glorify God by trusting, obeying, and worshiping Him in everything we do. But sadly, we don’t... We all have sinned against our loving and perfect God and therefore are deserving of His judgement. But God in His infinite goodness and love has provided grace richly for us to be forgiven. This has come through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Jesus the Son of God died for our sins and rose from the dead for our justification. But this gift from God must be received. We all must turn away from our sins and believe in Jesus. Now, we don’t have the power to do this on our