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THE GREAT COMMANDMENTS AND THE FIRST THREE COMMANDMENTS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Use the essays in your Parent's Guide to help answer these questions.

1. In what way does sin enslave us?
2. After receiving the Ten Commandments from God, Moses describes them as the path to life. "See, I have today set before you life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I am giving you today, loving the LORD, your God, and walking in his ways, and keeping his commandments, statutes and ordinances, you will live and grow numerous, and the LORD, your God, will bless you in the land you are entering to possess" (Deuteronomy 30:15-16). How do these words still ring true for us today?
3. How do the Ten Commandments speak of God's love for us, and His desire to reveal Himself to us?
4. How does Jesus, who is the revelation of God, confirm the binding truth of the Ten Commandments?

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5. The First Commandment is: "I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me." Why and how do we follow this commandment?

6. What are some sins that break the First Commandment?

7. The Second Commandment is, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain." Why and how do we follow this commandment?

8. What are sins that break the Second Commandment? Describe and give examples of each.

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9. The Third Commandment is, "Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day." Why and how do we follow this commandment?

10. What are sins that break the Third Commandment? Describe and give examples of each.

11. Have you found any of the first three commandments challenging? If so, which one? After studying the first three commandments more closely, is there anything that stands out to you about them?

12. The Fourth Commandment is the first of seven commandments that deal with how we treat our neighbor. It commands us, "Honor your father and mother." Why and how do we follow this commandment?

13. What might the placement of this commandment (directly after the first three which outline our duties to God) tell us?

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THE FOURTH COMMANDMENT AND THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

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14. When was the human family instituted and what is its purpose?

15. Why are parents called the first heralds of the Good News? In what ways do you as a parent daily bring the Good News to your children?

16. Our Heavenly Father could have stayed in Heaven, but the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, Jesus Christ, assumed a human nature, coming to Earth to be with us. What does this tell us about the nature of family love?

17. Have you thought of your own family as a little church? What image does this bring to mind for you?